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barley in position, as I am sure he does, I suggest that he also take a good hard look at what is happening at individual points. I may say that I passed along the information I received to the Wheat Board and asked them to check it out. I suggest to the minister that he keep a pretty close eye on this situation.

[Translation]

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, I am very pleased that western barley producers will receive a higher initial payment as of March 1, 1971, with retroactive effect to August 1, 1970, as the minister said in his statement.

This shows that if a particular problem is examined thoroughly it is realized at times that retroactivity is justified. This is one of the reasons why I asked the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Olson) very recently to consider the possibility of making price increases for powdered skimmed milk and Cheddar cheese retroactive.

I am happy to see that the export market is becoming stronger so that barley producers may continue to gain by it. I hope that the difference in price will benefit farmers mostly and not only middle men.

The minister also stated that it is essential that farmers make the required arrangements to deliver their barley as soon as possible. I remember that, last year and during the preceding winter, there were some fairly heated debates in the House on the arrangement from which grain producers were to benefit thanks to the CN or the CP. In short, this indicates, I believe, that delivery means are to be dependent on the possibilities for making cars available to producers.

Further, there is a shortage of grain in Eastern Canada. We receive many complaints that mills and producers cannot rely on a normal supply and that prices are rising steeply thus contributing to an increase in the production costs of eggs, broilers, pork-meat, etc.

I would like to ask the Minister of Agriculture to consider seriously this problem and, while granting to the western farmer the advantage to which they are rightly entitled, to take some steps, in order to avoid penalizing too harshly the eastern producers as far as prices are concerned, so that they may be in a position to compete. It would be advisable, in my opinion, not only for eastern or western farmers but also for all Canadians to avoid any cause of disagreement in the country.

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[English]

FISHERIES

DESTRUCTION OF FISHING GEAR BY FOREIGN DRAGGERS
—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, I wish to move a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. That matter is the criminal behaviour of certain fishing trawlers of vari-

[Mr. Gleave.]

ous foreign states within the territorial waters of Canada in areas off the south and west coasts of Newfoundland. These trawlers are carelessly or deliberately, certainly contemptuously, running through and destroying the fishing gear of Canadian inshore fishermen. When these Canadian fishermen protest, the foreign captains display the same linguistic ability as the Prime Minister and tell them to fuddle-duddle.

• (2:20 p.m.)

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member may have a very good case to submit to the House for the consideration of hon. members under Standing Order 43, but I suggest that he does not help his case when he goes beyond the very limited terms of Standing Order 43. If the hon. member has a motion, he should indicate what it is.

Mr. Carter: I was merely pointing out the seriousness of the problem and the indifference shown by the people concerned. Under the Criminal Code these actions are classed as vandalism, wilful destruction of property, and incitement to riot. Under the War Measures Act they would constitute real or apprehended invasion. If these actions occurred ashore, the government would muster the troops, parade the RCMP—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. If the hon. member has a motion he should put it, otherwise I will not allow him to do so. We will go on with the next order of business.

Mr. Carter: I therefore move seconded by the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall):

That this House urges the government and, in particular, the Minister of Justice, the Minister of National Defence, the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry, the Secretary of State for External Affairs, and the Solicitor General, to seize those foreign vessels that are committing criminal acts in Canadian waters and to punish the masters and crews, and

That the Fisheries Committee of this House be directed to make a full study of the adequacy of Canada's maritime patrol, the feasibility of a beefed-up integrated fisheries, coast guard and naval force, and the whole question of traditional fishing rights.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. members have heard the motion proposed by the hon. member for St. John's West. This motion requires the unanimous consent of the House.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent. The motion cannot be put.

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

CONCURRENCE IN FOURTH REPORT OF STANDING
COMMITTEE

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington) moved that the fourth report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts,