

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, February 17, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

EGG MARKETING

CONCURRENCE IN FIRST REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

On the order: Motions:

December 17, 1974—Mr. McGrath—The following proposed motion:

That the first report of the Special Committee on Egg Marketing presented to the House on Monday, December 16, 1974, be concurred in.

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I believe it is the wish of hon. members on all sides of the House that this motion be taken under consideration as the first order of business under orders of the day.

Mr. Speaker: Is it agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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[Translation]

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SUGGESTED COMMITTEE STUDY OF STANDING ORDERS 43 AND 28—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, since the House gave unanimous consent authorizing the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath) to present his motion under the terms of Standing Order 43, I request unanimous consent of the House to present a motion of extreme urgency since it relates to the application of Standing Orders 43 and 28.

Considering that, under the terms of Standing Order 43, any member can request the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion dealing with an urgent matter and that, on the other hand, under Standing Order 28 any member who wishes to speak must rise in his place and address the Speaker designating him by his title, though it may be only to oppose the unanimity required under Standing Order 43, and that I have already pointed out this matter to Your Honour whereupon Your Honour said the ruling would be given later on in this regard, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Rimouski (Mr. Allard):

That this House study without delay whether Standing Order 28 should apply even in the case of a motion presented under Standing Order 43, and that those two standing orders be deferred to the standing committee of the House for study and report.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the terms of Standing Order 43, the motion requires unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: As there is not unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

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[English]

BROTHERHOOD WEEK

PROPOSED EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP FOR MEMBERS—
REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): Mr. Speaker, I would like to raise a matter of urgent and pressing necessity inasmuch as the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau), the provincial premiers, the mayor of Ottawa and numerous mayors across Canada have proclaimed the week of February 16, as Brotherhood Week, I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Ottawa West (Mr. Francis):

That all hon. members gather in the railway committee room on Thursday, February 20, during the evening for fellowship across the Canadian cultural barriers in Brotherhood under the Fatherhood of God and, furthermore inasmuch as Mrs. Betty Kennedy is the national chairman for Brotherhood Week during this International Women's Year, that an especially cordial invitation be extended to the sisterhood in this hon. House, realizing that in fellowship with the distaff side of the human family is the only basis for lasting brotherhood.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. With all due respect to the hon. member who proposed his motion pursuant to Standing Order 43, partly out of a strict adherence to the rules regarding urgent and pressing necessity and partly, I must confess out of a desire not to put any hon. members of the House into the embarrassing position of withholding their consent for discussion of such an important topic, I would have to find that despite the extreme importance and interest of the matter to all members of the House and, I am sure, unanimous support of the idea, that I will withhold, in my discretion, putting it to the House because of the absence of the element of urgent and pressing necessity.