

Order Paper Questions

Mr. Clark: The government House leader has said that the atmosphere in the Chamber is not now conducive to an agreement on an extension of hours. I simply want to say on behalf of my party, and I am sure the spokesmen for the other parties on this side of the House will agree, that we are prepared to support an extension of the time of debate today to allow the agreed time to ensue for a discussion on national unity, and we do not want that decision to be delayed simply because the government House leader is in a state of pique. We are prepared, now, to agree to the extension of sitting time until 8.45 p.m. tonight.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Suggestions are being made by way of a point of order. There is no point of order to be dealt with at the moment.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): I think it would not be unreasonable for us to have discussions among the House leaders while debate goes on this afternoon. We might agree to the suggestion which has just been made by the Leader of the Official Opposition (Mr. Clark). However, I would offer an alternative, perhaps even two options. To sit right through until 8.45 p.m. would be unfair to everyone. Perhaps we might rise at six and sit from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. Or maybe we could sit until 7 p.m., as now ordered, and then sit for an hour or two on another day. After all, we had the experience the other day of trying to make arrangements on the spur of the moment in this Chamber, and look where that got us.

Mr. Speaker: That is the difficulty in which we find ourselves—we are attempting by way of a point of order to determine whether or not agreement can be reached. It is not a proper vehicle for such a discussion. Some proposal would have to be made to the House for consideration. Obviously, the time is not right.

[*Translation*]

Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, I must admit that in the course of the afternoon an hon. member on the government side suggested the idea of extending the sitting from six to eight o'clock or from eight to ten o'clock with a break for supper between six and eight o'clock. I answered that yesterday we happened to suggest such an extension for today but he refused. This time, I put some conditions, as was my privilege. They were to tell me about this but I did not hear from them. As far as I am concerned, I stick to the status quo as defined in the motion which has been passed yesterday proposing to sit until seven o'clock tonight.

[*English*]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following ques-

[Mr. MacEachen.]

tions will be answered today: Nos. 1,521, 1,553, 1,611, 1,784, 1,948, 2,320 and 2,464.

[*Text*]

DEMURRAGE CHARGES

Question No. 1,521—**Mr. Malone:**

What was the demurrage cost of grain ships for the crop year 1975-76 at the Port of (a) Vancouver (b) Thunder Bay (c) Churchill?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport): In so far as the Canadian Wheat Board is concerned: The Canadian Wheat Board advises that their records are not kept by individual ports but are broken down only into East Coast and West Coast categories. Demurrage charges for the 1975-76 crop year for West Coast ports, the bulk of which were at Vancouver, were \$3,114,919, while those for East Coast ports were \$193,812. No demurrage costs were incurred at Thunder Bay and Churchill.

**CONSULTING WORK FOR FARM CREDIT CORPORATION—
MANITOBA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT**

Question No. 1,553—**Mr. MacKay:**

1. Was the Manitoba Institute of Management employed in 1975 and 1976 to do consulting work for the Farm Credit Corporation and, if so (a) were tenders called before the contract was awarded (b) who selected this firm and who decided to award it the contract?

2. Was the Chairman of the Farm Credit Corporation, Mr. Baldur Krustjanson, a director or a member of the Board of Manitoba Institute of Management when the Institute was employed to work for the Corporation?

3. How much has the Farm Credit Corporation paid in total to the Manitoba Institute of Management?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): Farm Credit Corporation advises: 1. Yes. The Institute assisted the Corporation in the preparation of terms of reference for a management audit program. (a) It was considered inappropriate to put the project out to tender until the terms of reference had been completed. (b) The selection was made by the Chairman and ratified by the Members of the Corporation.

2. Yes.

3. Payments made to the Manitoba Institute of Management Inc. were as follows:

Year	Consultation	Expenses	Total
1975	\$30,940	\$6,814	\$37,754
1976	\$33,660	\$9,308	\$42,968

DYLEX LTD.

Question No. 1,611—**Mr. Jones:**

1. Is Dylex Ltd., 637 Lakeshore Blvd. West, Toronto, Ontario, a federally incorporated company and, if so (a) on what date was it incorporated (b) what are the objects of the company (c) who are the officers and directors (d) who are the shareholders and, in each case (i) how many shares are held (ii) what is his/her address?

2. Is the company Canadian owned and, if not, what percentage is foreign?