

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday, June 15, 1982

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

JOB SECURITY OPTIONS FOR CNCP MARITIME EMPLOYEES—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bob Corbett (Fundy-Royal): Madam Speaker, effective June 19 the CNCP telegram offices will be closing in Saint John, Moncton, Fredericton, Sydney and Charlottetown, displacing some nine people. A direct conflict has arisen between CNCP and the employees concerning the employment options provided by CNCP, as CNCP wishes to amend a portion of the agreement before taking further action. In view of the fact that the persons involved have between 29 and 40 years of service, I move, seconded by the hon. member for York-Sunbury (Mr. Howie):

That the House urge CNCP to deal fairly with these workers and provide the job security agreement options they have enjoyed since 1962 and funded by the very employees now being denied these benefits.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

FALKLAND ISLANDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO GREAT BRITAIN
ON RESOLUTION OF CONFLICT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. John C. Crosbie (St. John's West): Madam Speaker, I rise under the terms of Standing Order 43. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Sault Ste. Marie (Mr. Irwin) and the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That this House congratulates Prime Minister Thatcher, the Government and the people of the United Kingdom on their resolution of the conflict in the Falkland Islands that maintains the principle that armed aggression must be resisted, that respect for the United Nations Charter and the role of law in international affairs be observed and force not used to settle territorial disputes between states, regrets the loss of life and injuries on both sides and urges a peaceful settlement of all outstanding issues between the U.K. and Argentina.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Madam Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

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THE ECONOMY

EXCHANGE VALUE OF DOLLAR—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dave Nickerson (Western Arctic): Madam Speaker, whereas the value of the Canadian dollar reflects international confidence in the Canadian economy and in the government's ability to manage national affairs, and whereas the dollar is now as depressed as the Liberals' credibility, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Peace River (Mr. Cooper):

That this House deplores the policies of the Liberal government which have resulted in a 78-cent dollar, thereby causing a de facto 22 per cent reduction in all wages and pensions right across this country.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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PUBLIC SERVICE

DESIGNATION OF NURSES AS ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES—MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Sid Parker (Kootenay East-Revelstoke): Madam Speaker, the government has increased the designations in the nursing group of the professional institute from 800 to 1,600. In view of the fact that the President of Treasury Board (Mr. Johnston) told this House on Tuesday that such designations were only made when "these employees are carrying out their duties necessary in the interests of the safety and security of the public", and in view of the fact that the 1,600 designated nursing positions come to 110 per cent of the nursing group, since there are actually only about 1,450 nurses working for the government in that group, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Churchill (Mr. Murphy):