

The Address—Mr. Ryan

to get it under way as soon as possible. Certainly, we should be able to get a site clearing program under way immediately. The land has been purchased and that portion of it which has not been purchased is to be expropriated so there is no reason for not starting immediately on site clearing. Perhaps we could have the site prepared so that construction of the institution could take place as soon as the architects have prepared the plan.

I hope the government will look at this program again to determine if they cannot undertake construction of that young offenders' institution in Springhill at an earlier date.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order. I am sorry to interrupt the hon. gentleman but I must inform him that his time has expired.

Mr. S. Perry Ryan (Spadina): Mr. Speaker, the words of the leaders of the parties concerning their personal esteem for you are, I am sure, shared by all who know you. To the many sincere congratulations you have already received upon your appointment as Speaker, I should like to add my own. I should like also to congratulate the hon. member for Stormont (Mr. Lamoureux) upon his appointment as Deputy Speaker of this house. I am certain the house will be well served both by yourself, Mr. Speaker, and your clear spoken bilingual deputy from Ontario. I should like also to congratulate the hon. members on this side of the house who moved and seconded the address in reply. They are a credit to their constituencies and to this party. Everywhere in this country, women as well as men, are today voicing their pride in the performance in this house of the hon. and charming member for Northumberland (Miss Jewett).

As the member for Spadina, Mr. Speaker, the most cosmopolitan riding in Canada, I should like to say a word of tribute at the outset to the former member for Spadina, Mr. Charles Ted Rea, who has been seriously ill and has recovered to a limited extent only. I know from meeting many people in my riding and from meeting members here who knew him, particularly members on the opposite side, that he is a well liked and respected man. He was the able deputy of committees in the twenty fourth parliament, when he suffered a stroke. He made a decision against his own interests that he could not in fairness stand for re-election. On your behalf, and on my own, I wish him well.

Mr. Rea was first elected in Spadina in a by-election in 1955 after Colonel David Croll resigned his seat. Colonel Croll, of course, was elevated to the Senate. Senator Croll, as you know, is equally as active in the Senate

as he was in the house. As the Liberal senator for Spadina, he continues to bring honour to my constituency. As a speaker in demand during the last election campaign, Senator Croll's activities were the toast of this party and the scourge of the opposition. I am pleased to follow both of these fine men and I hope to emulate their good work.

My riding is one of the central ones in the city of Toronto. It is known for its infinite variety of nationality, race and creed, as well as for its extremes of wealth and poverty. Particularly since the last war the southern part has been a reception area for landed immigrants from different nations. Succeeding groups settle closely together under crowded housing conditions and then, as they adjust themselves, tend to settle throughout the metropolitan area. However, each group always seems to leave at least a small core behind, and this gives the business streets of Spadina, particularly the famous Kensington market a distinct international flavour. Symbolic of this is the widespread use of the espresso coffee percolator.

There are more than the usual number of retail and wholesale stores, the best known one being the ecstatic establishment of that prince of discounters, Honest Ed. There are many multistoried manufacturing plants in the southern industrial area of the riding, large railway yards and a new expressway. Spadina avenue itself is still the Ontario centre of the garment industry and great numbers from both within and without the riding are employed in the needle trades, usually on a piecework basis.

Although the work of making cloth, fur coats and other articles of wearing apparel is wonderfully satisfying, it is a trade that has a high, early lay-off rate as aging fingers become less and less nimble. There is some need, therefore, to plan and carry out re-training of not only the unemployed but also of those who may become so.

Spadina is bounded on the north by the south limit of Forest Hill village and on the south by the waterfront of lake Ontario. It includes Toronto island. Although the map of Spadina resembles a Christmas stocking, all within its boundaries is not always Christmasy.

The main problem is lack of sufficient steady work, both for willing immigrants and for willing Canadians from depressed areas who migrate to Toronto. For Spadina, the loans and grants of the municipal development and loan board to the city of Toronto, with the approval of the province, should prove to be a godsend. It is true that there are many existing statutes offering aid to municipalities, but they mostly require a sharing agreement between the three levels