

considered a criminal offence. I suppose it depends on how the man drives.

Incidentally, the Minister of National Revenue (Mr. Guay) is reported to have gone to his riding of St. Boniface. He realized there is one thing he can do. He cannot read his answers very well, but he can think ahead to the next election. Apparently he went to his riding and he said to the NDP members there, "Look, we have an election coming a year from now and you are going to face a tough battle in this riding. We will not put up a very strong opposition now, but next year we will ask you not to put up too strong an opposition against me". He knows how to think ahead.

The Prime Minister will go to that newly elected government and say, "Look, let us make an arrangement here", and then he will go to the beleaguered socialist leader in Saskatchewan and will say to him, "Look, we have this arrangement", and he will talk about it politely while the television cameras are grinding and the newspaper reporters report him, and he will try to make some arrangement. But after he has been there, the gremlins from his office will follow hard on his heels and will say, "Look, we understand we have a disagreement on the cablevision policy here. We would really like to solve that, we would like to come to an agreement. We also know that before the next election the Liberals will be in third position and surely you, Mr. Blakeney, will want to be re-elected, so let us come to an agreement. We will not put up too strong a candidate in opposition to most of your members so that you do not fight us too hard on this issue". He will come out with some kind of arrangement regarding the bilingual education program.

Then the Prime Minister will move on to Alberta, and that is where he will find the Farm Credit Corporation.

**Mr. Cullen:** Watch out, you are on television.

**Mr. Friesen:** That is right.

He will find the Farm Credit Corporation in the metropolitan area of Camrose. You see, that place will now require bilingual education, so he will go to the premier of Alberta and say, "Look, we must have bilingual education here. We will supply the bucks if you supply the program", knowing all along that nobody wants to be known as a bigot, and knowing full well that a few years ago the Prime Minister called the former premier of British Columbia, W. A. C. Bennett, a bigot because he did not agree with his bilingual policy. Nobody wants to be called a bigot, so the Prime Minister will try to bring each of these premiers into line.

Last on the list will be the premier of Quebec who, according to today's newspaper, has already rejected the idea and said that the whole thing will be settled in Quebec anyway, and that the Prime Minister can do what he wants. The man who started the unity group in Quebec said that a referendum will do nothing but create more problems. I suggest to you that the Prime Minister has problems, but the gimmick is that he will try to get unanimity from all nine premiers, then he will go to Mr. Lévesque and, voilà, he will not get it. Then the rest of the premiers will have to decide whether or not to go ahead

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with the program. If they do not, the Prime Minister will call them pikers. If they do, he is that far ahead. This is the kind of game that the Prime Minister might play.

The Prime Minister has already said in the House that this referendum is binding. But what are they going to do with the Tessier group in the PMO? What are they going to do with the group that is travelling across Canada participating in hearings—the Robarts-Pepin group? If the referendum is binding on parliament, why bother to have those groups discussing and working on this subject? Sooner or later the Prime Minister will have to come clean on this issue. As I said at the outset, why is he saying that no law will restore the economy—it has to be the collective spirit of Canadians—but when it comes to language and culture he says, "it must be inextricably bound within the constitution", when for three hundred years we have had proof in Quebec that that is not the case?

The second part of the Prime Minister's statement had to do with job creation programs, and that included one of the greater absurdities in his speech because he was flailing the NDP—I do not mind that much but I wish he would do it with some consistency—for their lack of conscience about productivity and saying that the Canadian workers are only 80 per cent as productive as the Americans. I should like to ask the Prime Minister how one million unemployed can improve their production percentage points. That would be a great solution.

At the same time he announced a job creation program of \$150 million. We in Surrey-White Rock know something about job creation programs, because in the last batch of money that the minister of employment sitting over there gave us he promised me that I would be very happy with it, and yet I got only half as much as in the one before. I do not know what he thinks it takes for me to be happy, but I want to assure him it is not that. The hon. member for Skeena, the Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport (Mrs. Campagnolo), received \$4 million while I received only \$214,000 for an area with 140,000 people.

The minister tells me that there are around 175 people looking for work, but when I checked with the local Manpower office I found that there are nearly 6,000 people on the active rolls. I do not know how he works his statistics, but certainly no maths major is working in his department. As I said, people in Surrey-White Rock know something about job creation coming from this government, but when it comes to productivity and the complaints of the Prime Minister that Canadians are not sufficiently productive, he has the gall to announce another job creation program, which is the least productive area of government in the whole country. He knows that every job that is created through this department costs \$5,000 and the person only makes \$3,000. You are spending \$5,000 so somebody can earn \$3,000. Under the DREE programs it costs \$50,000 to create a job. When it comes to productivity, I wonder if the Prime Minister is the one to lecture us about 80 per cent productivity.

This government does not deserve the support of the Canadian people. The bankruptcy of the two hour speech of the Prime Minister the other day is absolute proof that the