

others and look to his own financial policies for the cause of Canada's economic woes.

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#### LEADERSHIP OF LIBERAL PARTY

**Mr. Gilles Bernier (Beauce):** Mr. Speaker, the silence maintained since Sunday by the number one candidate for the leadership of the Liberal Party of Canada, Jean Chrétien, is a blatant insult to the intelligence of Canadians and shows contempt for the democratic process.

The man responsible for the Meech Lake crisis is lying low in his cottage.

For two years he has been urging the Wells, Carstairs, Doers and Filmons to fight Quebec.

The Liberal Party of Canada is about to choose as its leader a man who has shown contempt for Quebec.

Quebecers are proud through and through. They have not forgiven Jean Chrétien for the role he played during the referendum campaign, the contempt he has shown for my province and the humiliation he imposed on Quebecers in November 1981, when Quebec was isolated from the rest of Canada, at his instigation.

On June 24, the national day of Quebecers, the people of Quebec will be mindful of their motto: "Je me souviens".

Jean Chrétien has shown many times over that he has betrayed Quebec.

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#### "REACH FOR THE TOP" CHAMPIONS

**Mr. Russell MacLellan (Cape Breton—The Sydneys):** Mr. Speaker, once again Cape Bretoners have proven that they can compete with the best and come out on top.

Last weekend, the *Reach for the Top* team from Memorial High School in Sydney Mines captured the North American championship in Houston, Texas. They

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defeated American champions from Richmond, Virginia and captured this tremendous honour.

Team members Jay Boutlier, Patrick Sutton, Anthony Serroul, Jennifer Morawiecki, Robert MacDonald and Karl White demonstrated outstanding mental agility under tremendous pressure. I know I join with all Canadians, including members of this House, in congratulating them on their victory.

To this group of young scholars and their coaches, bravo for a job well done, and a very best wish for an enjoyable and rejuvenating summer holiday.

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#### THE ENVIRONMENT

**Mr. J.W. Bud Bird (Fredericton—York—Sunbury):** Mr. Speaker, if this environment committee report about the hazards of CFCs and halons accomplishes nothing more than to communicate a public call to action as contained in its text, then it will have served a very important purpose.

I am convinced that neither the average citizen nor the average legislator truly appreciates the very significant hazards which atmospheric pollution poses for our world.

Certainly in my own case, until I became involved in hearing the expert advice and opinions made available to our committee, the serious prospects of ozone depletion or global warming seemed very far off in dreamland. I was largely unaware of the problems or the causes. To quote from the CFC report:

The members of our committee reached one overpowering conclusion, not just a consensus but a unanimous opinion, that ozone depletion is a threat for the continuation of life on earth.

Literally we must declare war on all those elements which cause that risk.

This CFC report is well worth reading.

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#### BILL C-21

**Mr. Ron Fisher (Saskatoon—Dundurn):** Mr. Speaker, countless Tories have risen in their place to decry the delay to Bill C-21.

As recently as yesterday they rose to a member to defeat a motion that variable entrance requirements be implemented. They try to divert our attention by staging