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causing the deaths, of its 269 passengers, including 10 Canadians.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member's time has expired.

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CANADA POST CORPORATION

USE OF FOREIGN MAIL SERVICE BY CANADIAN RESIDENT

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, it is with some regret that I bring to the attention of the House the effects some free enterprisers have upon the costs of Canada's postal service. I have with me today a letter mailed to a Vancouver hospital from Post Office No. 179 in Tijuana, Mexico. The letter carries a 10 peso stamp and a 9 peso stamp. At today's rate of 132 pesos to the dollar, this makes the stamps worth about 15 cents Canadian, less than one half the cost of mailing a letter in Canada to a Canadian destination.

The return address on the envelope, which has been carefully concealed by the 9 peso stamp, is Williams and Wilkins, Baltimore, Maryland. The return address inside the envelope is Williams and Wilkins, Box 7220, Ancaster, Ontario. However, on contacting the manager of the Ancaster Post Office today, I learned that there is no Williams and Wilkins in Ancaster, Ontario. That there is no such company in Ancaster was confirmed by Bell Canada. The box, however, is registered to a Mr. John V. Basmajian of 106 Forsyth, in Hamilton, Ontario.

This is an abuse of the postal service of Canada and of other countries, Mr. Speaker. I urge all Canadians who are receiving mail bearing stamps from outside Canada but a return address from inside Canada, to forward the envelopes to Canada's Postmaster, the Hon. André Ouellet, at the House of Commons. By stopping this kind of abuse, we could have a less expensive postal system in Canada.

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POLITICAL PARTIES

LIBERAL PARTY LEADERSHIP CAMPAIGN—ALLEGATION CONCERNING MEMBER OF NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, Liberal leadership candidates have been speculating out loud lately about their future Cabinet-making plans. I am reminded of a quip the late Mr. Diefenbaker once made about shuffling a deck of deuces.

Yesterday the Energy Minister alleged that a Saskatchewan NDP Member is considering crossing the floor to join the Liberals. That is the very first time I have heard of a rat swimming toward a sinking ship.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Towers: I wonder how much anguish this revelation will cause in the NDP caucus. Perhaps it will cause none. His

colleagues may be happy that he is finally finding a home and a haven in socialist heaven.

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LIBERAL PARTY LEADERSHIP CAMPAIGN—CANDIDACY OF HON. JOHN TURNER

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Mr. Speaker, Mr. "Turnaround-Turnabout-Turnover-Turner" certainly knows how to look after himself. He is a director of Bechtel Canada, Massey-Ferguson, and MacMillan Bloedel, to mention a few from which he is putting into his pockets a few thousand dollars every year. He has been reappointed as a director of the CPR, the company to which the Liberals gave a guaranteed annual income at the expense of western farmers. Considering the payments the CPR is making to Turner, it is no wonder that freight rates went up.

If that is not enough to make every ordinary Canadian ill, hear this! As a director of the largest liquor company in the world, Seagram's, poor John receives only \$15,000 per year just for his good looks, plus \$500 for travelling expenses for every meeting he attends. With a smile on his face, the Chairman of Seagram's told reporters that "from a Seagram point of view it is not a bad thing to have a future Prime Minister on our board". Seagram's will then have a pipeline right into the Prime Minister's office. Seagram's knows what happened to the CPR when it had a pipeline into Liberal offices.

Mr. Turner will not resign his positions. Oh, no, the CPR can go right on extracting the lifeblood from the prairie farmers with higher and higher freight rates. Seagram's can go on increasing liquor prices so that it may continue to buy the favours of the next Prime Minister of Canada. Mr. Turner's answer is that he must look after his security. What about the security of the Canadian people, Mr. Speaker?

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POLITICAL PARTIES

REJECTION OF LIBERAL PARTY'S WOOING BY NDP MEMBER

Mr. Doug Anguish (The Battlefords-Meadow Lake): Mr. Speaker, instead of reading the Regina manifesto, which is the basis of the NDP constitution, this morning, as I usually do, I made the mistake of listening to the CBC world report. You can imagine my shock when I heard a story to the effect that I was planning to join the Liberal Party. So that there can be no confusion, I would like the House to know exactly what my contacts with the Liberal Party have been.

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Earlier this year I was approached by a group of people, including some former Conservatives, who asked me if I would consider running as a Liberal in the next federal election. My