

Finance (Mr. Wilson) either to follow the standing committee's recommendation to double the loss limit in Section 31 of the Act, or revoke the section entirely.

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[Translation]

PARLIAMENT

BEHAVIOUR OF NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEMBERS DURING
ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES—CONSEQUENCES

Mr. Gabriel Fontaine (Lévis): Yesterday in the Soviet Union, Mr. Speaker, the Tass news agency reported that Canadian Members of Parliament had heckled the President of the United States throughout his address to the House of Commons of Canada.

Mr. Speaker, all Canadians are offended to be identified with a small group of socialists who, unfortunately, happen to be temporary Members of this House.

The abuse which the socialist comrades heaped upon the American President in the House last Monday constitutes an affront to this Parliament and to our nation. The socialist leader heard it and tacitly approved, and he stealthily left the House without saying a word after the President had concluded his remarks.

However, fearful of retaliatory reaction by the electorate, the socialist leader now admonishes his troops, his House leader among others.

If the socialist leader is serious, if his admonishments are forthright, he must at once replace his comrade the House leader.

It is only by taking immediate action that the leader of the socialist Party will prove that he is an honest man.

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THE ADMINISTRATION

CONTRACT AWARDING POLICY

Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry—Prescott—Russell): Mr. Speaker, last Friday the House was in fact the victim of a malicious Government attack against the parliamentary Opposition. The insults proffered by certain Ministers are recorded in *Hansard*. Here are some of them: McCarthy-Turner. Sleaze. Out of the gutter. Gutter politics, and so on.

Yet at the same time as the Government was taking this holier-than-thou stance, certain Ministers on the other side knew full well that the Liberal Opposition was not alone in expressing doubt about the Government contract awarding policy. As a matter of fact, the Minister of Public Works (Mr. McInnes) himself knew that an RCMP investigation was under way at the very moment when the Minister was making

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accusations against the Opposition in the House of Commons. Earlier today the Minister did admit that the investigation has now been going on for several months already.

Fortunately, Mr. Speaker, truth has prevailed. Once again Canadians have been able to witness the hypocrisy of the Conservative Government.

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[English]

POLITICAL PARTIES

"THE LOONY LEFT"

Mr. Howard Crosby (Halifax West): Mr. Speaker, during a visit to the United Kingdom Parliament at Westminster I witnessed a new political force which is ravaging the Labour Party. The new force has no real political loyalty, it only recruits socialists. Those who join are designated "the loony left". They are identifiable by the causes they espouse; for example, funding for gay marriage ceremonies, total and unilateral disarmament, denying the existence of hostile military powers, and government spending in disregard of financial resources.

Unfortunately there is evidence the loony left has invaded Canada and recruited the New Democratic Party. Do you know anyone who yells during speeches of Heads of State and supports weird causes? He is probably a member of Canada's new political force—the loony left. May I be the first to acknowledge the presence in the Parliament of Canada of Canada's loony left?

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SOVEREIGNTY

THE ARCTIC—GOVERNMENT POSITION

Ms. Pauline Jewett (New Westminster—Coquitlam): Mr. Speaker, yesterday the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) refused to answer my questions about his exchange of letters last week with the President of the United States with regard to a secret deal on Canada's sovereignty in the Arctic. The Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Clark), in attempting to answer for the Prime Minister, failed to respond to my questions and the serious issues I raised.

That is not good enough. This House and the people of Canada need to know if the Government is trading away, or willing even to give away, Canada's Arctic. The Prime Minister also raised alarm by his comments on U.S. television Sunday that Canada was willing to "facilitate and expand" defence arrangements with the U.S. He said, "you can draw some pretty fundamental conclusions from that". What