

perfect mayor of Toronto, Mr. Speaker, was a Member of Cabinet and, of course, for that Government, artists did not exist.

Today they are raising hell because that is the thing to do. They do so because the artists have just discovered that our Tory friends might enhance their political profile if they were to take up the cudgels for Canadian artists. That is just fine, but where were they in 1980 when I introduced that kind of motion in the House and, as a Party, they spoke against my motion? And soon, in a matter of days, the tiny perfect Mayor of Toronto will take the floor and again urge the Government to come to the rescue of our artists. What did he do on that earlier occasion?

Mr. Speaker, I could speak for hours to this subject which is of some concern to me, but I think, I would rather tell the House about the positive aspects of the Speech from the Throne. There are a number of priorities. Earlier this afternoon, our colleague spoke about the role of the new Department of Youth. I am convinced that the new Minister of State (Youth) already has the situation under control and that she knows very well how to fend for herself.

Mr. Speaker, there is one subject about which I would like to be more precise. Everyone is talking about the advent of the aerospace industry in the riding of Argenteuil-Papineau. Now that Bell Helicopter has decided to build a plant at Mirabel, we will see the creation of 3,000 jobs and a major investment by the federal Government. The aerospace industry has opted for Mirabel as a result of the dynamism of the federal Government. Of course, we already have another company at Mirabel, Pierre Robin aircraft, a small company whose background has never made the headlines and which many people have not even heard of, but still, Mr. Speaker, as evidence of the dynamism of the people of Lachute, in 1983 they bought 53.6 per cent of the shares of that company because, come what may, they want to make it prosperous.

So, at both ends of Mirabel, Lachute at the entrance of Mirabel and Saint-Janvier at the other end, we have two aerospace industries. The riding of Argenteuil-Papineau is in the midst of an economic recovery, and that is due to the dynamism of the present Liberal Government. The Government of 1979 simply cannot take any credit for that.

Mr. Speaker, this brings up another very interesting issue, namely Mirabel. This House is probably aware of the interest I have had and still have in this matter. Today, we hear about Mirabel 15 years later and about Mirabel in 15 years from now.

What has become of Mirabel? Mr. Speaker, I did everything in my power to have the lands which had been expropriated, sold back to their former owners, and the Department of Transport has now discovered that these lands cannot easily be returned to their original use. In this regard, Mr. Speaker, I would like to quote the words of the President of the Canada

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Lands Company, the Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer, and I quote: "Our ultimate objective is to normalize the situation, namely by giving back to the people access to homeownership, by handing over free of charge all recreational areas to the local governments and by transferring the ownership of the industrial lands to the municipalities except for the industrial park which is directly or indirectly related to airport activities and which will continue to be managed by the company and which will be promoted in co-operation with the industrial commissions of the area."

That is what the federal Government and the Canada Lands Company want, namely to normalize the situation.

Mr. Speaker, can you imagine that after having bellowed that the Province had been raped by the federal Government, the Quebec Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Garon, whose name in French reminds me of his very person, stated in a television interview that he was cutting off farm loans to the Mirabel farmers who wanted to buy back their lands. It is a shame! I am frustrated to discover that it is impossible to deal with the PQ Government, whose only purpose is the separation and the isolation of Quebec. Mr. Speaker, while we, at the federal level, are trying to give back to the farmers the opportunity to resume the farming operations they have always enjoyed, because they were of course renting these lands, the separatist PQ Government and its Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Garon no longer want to do so and are cutting off farm loans. At the same time, the PQ Government is spending public money bringing the federal Government before the courts.

I find the objectives of the federal Government, and especially of the Canada Lands Company, a lot more high-minded. The major accomplishment of this company, as I was saying earlier, is certainly the Bell Helicopter project, which represents an investment of \$514 million and 3,000 jobs created directly. That is the recovery made possible by the federal Government. That is the recovery made possible by the Liberal party.

Mr. Speaker, I could mention other problems. I can give the case of PICA, the famous industrial park in Mirabel. Once more, I quote from the statements of the Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer, who said: I reassert categorically the fact that the Canada Lands Company has indeed offered Bell Helicopter the possibility of locating in PICA. However, Bell preferred locating along the Laurentian expressway.

I should note by the way that the final site is located to the south-west of the Saint-Janvier interchange in Mirabel.

Mr. Speaker, why did Bell Helicopter refuse the PICA site? It is simply because there is no way to get there. An amount of \$12 million has been invested in the infrastructure of the industrial park, but the provincial Government does not care the least and refuses to build a road. We often hear: Why do you not develop this ghost park? Mr. Speaker, there is no road.