

The Address—Mr. Malone

Mr. Malone:—Craigmyle, Alberta, a perfect example. I know the Hon. Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (Mr. Siddon) recognizes that he is speaking about a region of Canada that has a decreasing population.

It is important that I point out that according to the old Canada Works Program, communities with low unemployment rates would only get \$100,000 for the area. The logic used by Statistics Canada was that areas with a low unemployment rate did not need any more money to improve the unemployment situation in the area. However, this logic did not take into account that many of those rural communities exported their unemployed, as boys and girls growing up on the farm in the Prairies did not stay unless they could take over the farm. They would go to the city where they would be listed on the city's unemployment roll, when unemployed.

A few years ago I attended the opening of a factory at Bashaw. I had the pleasure of seeing 30 young people, dressed in white cloaks and caps, working in that new cheese factory. I asked each of them where they were from and what they would be doing if they were not working in that factory. Each person told me that they would be in Red Deer, Calgary or Edmonton. Young people give us low unemployment statistics because they move away, but if industry is brought into those rural communities they will stay home. We must change the trend.

Finally, while it would be easy to blame previous Governments for this diminishing population in rural Canada, I do not want to do that because I believe that this trend existed for logical reasons. I believe there were natural efficiencies that made us move to urban areas to fulfil our goals, but today is different and we live in an age of the computer and high tech communication. It is interesting to note, for instance, that on Galiano Island and other islands off the coast of British Columbia there are major executives of large corporations who basically run those corporations from their homes. Because of technology today we have the capacity to revitalize. It is a new phenomenon that we can do what we could not have done 10 years ago.

• (1730)

I see my time is up. I have other solutions to which I wanted to refer, but perhaps someone will ask me about an elected Senate and on that note, I will sit down.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. It being 5.30 p.m. it is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 62(4), to interrupt the proceedings and put forthwith every question necessary to dispose of the amendment. The question is on the amendment. Mr. Turner (Vancouver Quadra), seconded by Mr. Gray (Windsor West), moved:

That the following be added to the Address:

"The House regrets, that at a time when 1,250,000 Canadians are looking for jobs; when the Canadian family farm is threatened; when the oil and gas industry is trying to hang on; when regional inequalities are being worsened by government inaction; when young people, elderly women and single mothers face extraordinary hardship; when average Canadians face huge tax increases while giant corporations get tax breaks; and when Canadians, from one end of the country to the other, are crying out for leadership and direction, the

Government is trying to tackle the nation's problems with empty words and aimless rhetoric".

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the amendment?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: All those in favour will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: In my opinion, the nays have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Call in the Members.

The House divided on the amendment (Mr. Turner (Vancouver Quadra)) which was negatived on the following division:

(Division No. 2)

YEAS

Members

Allmand	Gauthier	Murphy
Angus	Gray	Nicholson
Axworthy	(Windsor West)	(Trinity)
Berger	Guilbault	Nunziata
Blackburn	(Saint-Jacques)	Orlikow
(Brant)	Heap	Parry
Blaikie	Henderson	Penner
Boudria	Hopkins	Pépin
Cassidy	Hovdebo	Riis
Copps	Isabelle	Robichaud
de Corneille	Johnston	Robinson
Dingwall	(Saint-Henri—	Rossi
Epp	Westmount)	Tardif
(Thunder Bay—	Kaplan	(Richmond—Wolfe)
Nipigon)	Keeper	Tobin
Finestone	Killens	Turner
Foster	Langdon	(Vancouver Quadra)
Frith	MacLellan	Young—50
Fulton	Malépart	
Gagliano	Marchi	
Garneau	Mitchell	

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Andre	Cadieux	Côté
Attewell	Clark	(Lac-Saint-Jean)
Belsher	(Yellowhead)	Crofton
Bernier	Clark	Crouse
Bertrand	(Brandon—Souris)	Daubney
Blackburn	Clinch	de Cotret
(Jonquière)	Coates	Della Noce
Blais	Collins	Desjardins
Blenkarn	Comeau	Dorin
Bradley	Cook	Duguay
Brightwell	Cooper	Duplessis
Brisco	Cossitt	Edwards
Brown		Ellis