

The Americans say it is too expensive to install better anti-pollution equipment. I say it is much more expensive to affect the health of residents downwind.

The Government should follow the lead of Ontario's Environment Minister. He is showing guts and real commitment by taking the Yankees to court. He is defending our interests. Where is the Government of Canada on this matter?

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[Translation]

### ENTREPRENEURSHIP

#### RECOGNITION OF FIVE DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS WOMEN OF ABITIBI-TÉMISCAMINGUE

**Mr. Gabriel Desjardins (Témiscamingue):** Mr. Speaker, women entrepreneurs have finally come of age in Abitibi-Témiscamingue. And to emphasize this fact, the Abitibi-Témiscamingue Chambers of Commerce every year give an award to five women who have made their mark in the business world through their dynamism and outstanding achievements.

I should like to congratulate Diane Raymond, from Ville-Marie, Lise Gendron, from La Sarre, Hélène Lagrange, from Rouyn-Noranda, Dolly Lepack, from Val d'Or, and Jocelyne Deshaies, from Amos, the five award winners for 1989 for their tremendous success in the business world. Through these women, Mr. Speaker, I wish to congratulate and thank all the women who are continuously working for the development of our Abitibi-Témiscamingue region.

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[English]

### FISHERIES

#### DREDGING OF PORTS IN P.E.I.

**Ms. Catherine Callbeck (Malpeque):** Mr. Speaker, this past weekend in my riding, two lobster boats became caught in excess silt and were forced to wait until the tide came in before they could come ashore. Events like this should never happen and would never happen if the ports of Prince Edward Island were properly dredged.

The recent Budget is inadequate. It is unacceptable because it does not have sufficient money to keep our harbours safe and our wharfs properly maintained.

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The fishery is one of the most important industries in Prince Edward Island. It means approximately \$80 million in landed value to the fishermen and totals about \$200 million to the Prince Edward Island economy. I urge the Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson) to think again and to evaluate the effects of his budget on the safety and future of the fishery in Prince Edward Island.

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### MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

#### COST OF SEWAGE TREATMENT

**Mr. Steve Butland (Sault Ste. Marie):** Mr. Speaker, I rise today to draw the attention of the Government once again to the crisis of deteriorating roadways, bridges and sewer systems across Canada. One example that portrays this crisis is the fact that more than eight million Canadians live in municipalities that provide no sewage treatment whatsoever.

Municipalities do not have the tax base to address this issue alone but are willing to raise their share of one-third of the cost as are all provincial Governments. The federal Government is not, despite veiled promises made from time to time before the Budget. In the meantime, both the deterioration and the price escalates. It is now \$15 billion.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities has a concrete proposal endorsed by its 1,200-plus members which would help clean up our environment, create 60,000 good paying jobs, reduce the deficit through tax revenue and rebuild the infrastructure of Canada. I call on the Government to enact one positive initiative out of a totally negative and regressive Budget and allocate the \$600 million generated from tax increases on gasoline to this plan. It would be a small step toward addressing the issue, but at least it would be a positive step which would improve the quality of life of all Canadians.

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### FORESTRY

#### TRIBUTE TO FORESTRY WORKERS

**Mr. Jean-Luc Joncas (Matapédia—Matane):** Mr. Speaker, the Lower St. Lawrence Gaspé Forest Association has just held in the Matapédia Valley its annual convention which had brought together under the same roof some 200 groups more or less directly involved in forestry and the important roles it plays in our daily lives.