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found innocent, you are found innocent. However that did not prevent the hon. member from again accusing them of being corrupt and rotten. Even though a court of law in this country had found them innocent that did not prevent the hon. member from standing up and again slandering them because they had once been charged. Once charged, in that hon. member's mind, they are guilty.

Then he talked about, and I will get to the advertising in a moment, patronage appointments. He talked about the Prime Minister's commitment. The first thing the Prime Minister did was to establish a parliamentary committee headed by Jim McGrath which established that all GIC appointments are reviewable by committees of the House, a major innovation.

Then he said: "Ah, but he talked about Dalton Camp". Dalton Camp was a contract employee for the Prime Minister's Office in the same way as I have employees in my office and he has employees in his office. Is he suggesting that all our employees, including his employees, must be approved first by a committee of the House? What an absurd suggestion. The hon. member enjoys slandering, libelling, maliciously condemning people who are not here to defend themselves, using this institution with its privileges and its immunities to unfairly slander people and to suggest that if anybody had the temerity to be involved in partisan politics for the Progressive Conservative Party, they are unfit for public office.

It is funny that he did not complain about the appointment of Aideen Nicholson to the Immigration Appeal Board or George Henderson to the Veterans Appeal Board because they are former Liberals, or Ian Deans. It is only if you have been involved with the Progressive Conservative Party that you are corrupt. Otherwise you are okay.

Mr. Kilgour: Like 99 per cent of your appointments. Tell me what the word sophistry means.

Mr. Andre: The hon. member should write another book that nobody can read rather than sitting there.

Madam Deputy Speaker: The hon. member for Edmonton Southeast will be seeking the floor shortly, I imagine. He may want to be able to make his case without being interrupted all the time. I think it would be

wise and generous of him to extend the same courtesy to the hon. minister when he has the floor.

Mr. Andre: Madam Speaker, the hon. member when quoting these various authors quoted Stevie Cameron. Stevie Cameron once wrote—

Mr. Kilgour: Now he is going to slander Stevie Cameron who happens to come from a Tory family.

An hon. member: The minister does not even know her.

Mr. Andre: Madam Speaker, you have to resort to a gag soon for that hon. member. Stevie Cameron dealt with an interior decorator, Giovanni Mowinkle, who said: "Do you know what size the closets are at 24 Sussex Drive?" There was this great two full page piece in *The Globe and Mail* about the size of the closets, the number of pairs of shoes and how this was such an outrage.

After the article came out, a couple of things happened. One thing was that Giovanni Mowinkle skipped the country with the RCMP hot on his trail. The second thing was the the editor of *The Globe and Mail*, the same Geoff Stevens who was quoted by the hon. member for Glengarry—Prescott—Russell, was fired as editor.

Mr. Kilgour: Just say something substantive, Harvie.

Mr. Andre: Madam Speaker, I do welcome the opportunity of this debate to deal with a subject that the hon. member alluded to at the end and that was advertising and the alleged, in his mind, his words and his accusation of impropriety, illegality, patronage and whatever of the advertising contracts. Let me deal with that for a moment.

Prior to 1979 advertising was done by individual departments that selected an agency and ran their own campaigns however they saw fit. Not suprisingly, in those days Liberal governments chose Liberal agencies. They wanted to pick people they had confidence in. That is understandable.

In 1979 the Clark government brought in the advertising management group, something that it is apparently in the Liberal platform to do after the next election. Well, it exists. That advertising management group co-ordinates all the various advertising campaigns by the various departments to make sure that we do a media buy that gets the best price for the government, to ensure that it hits the right audiences, that the contracts are honoured