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minister will not engage in some of his puzzling magic but rather come to grips with these problems and place a solution before us. I will have more to say about this subject later.

Also conspicuous by its absence from the throne speech was the so-called war on poverty. Apparently the knights in their shining armour have crawled back into their Cadillacs and left this field.

I should like to compliment the last speaker on a truly excellent speech. Let me second the ideas presented by the hon. member for Hamilton West (Mr. Macaluso) on urban development. There is some reference to this subject in the throne speech. I feel that if some imagination and common sense can be found by members on the government side, of which there is some doubt, something could be done in this field. The hon. member referred to Victor Gruen's work, with which I am familiar. He is a man who seems to have the idea that we can save our large cities from stagnation and decay, and I hope that everyone will read what the last speaker said in this regard.

I do not intend to repeat what the last speaker said about Mr. Gruen's work but I should like to refer to one statement Mr. Gruen has said that for every car that moves into the heart of our large cities in North America one individual is driven out. That is paradoxical because one would think that every car moving in would bring in the number of people that can be carried by that vehicle. Nevertheless Mr. Gruen has proven his statement to be accurate, particularly in the older downtown areas. I hope that government will show some imagination in tackling problems relating to urban development.

In recent days I have travelled from coast to coast and have discovered an interesting fact. In this jet age one can have three breakfasts while travelling across Canada before having lunch. I left Halifax at five o'clock on Monday morning and arrived in Victoria, B.C. by one o'clock. I had breakfast before I left home, breakfast on the jet to Toronto and breakfast on the jet between Toronto and Edmonton. The unnerving part of the whole trip was the cloud cover over the whole area which prevented me from looking down to see precisely where I was at any moment. I really did not feel I was getting any closer to Victoria. Fortunately the stewardess eventually came with a lunch tray so I knew I was making some progress against the hours of the day. During my trip I discovered that the

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question most often asked across Canada was: Have you been to Expo or are you going to Expo?

I think Expo will undoubtedly be a gem in the crown of our centennial year and something of which Canadians may be very proud. Perhaps I say too much about Expo, but if I do I do so because of a man who was a member of this house at one time but became a victim of the foolish perversity with which we treat each other very often. I refer to a former associate minister of national defence. As I recall, he was the one who brought the first legislative measure dealing with Expo before this house. He had a pretty miserable time here, and his wife, daughter and two sons must have gone through hell last year. They can now travel through Montreal looking at what this gentleman at least in part accomplished.

I think the mood of parliament has changed from that of last year. Some reporters have suggested that we have since then redeemed ourselves, and I believe they are probably correct. We are now living in an era which requires a streamlining of our procedures. Let me put forward my own thoughts in this regard. We should use time allocation as an experiment when we are not dealing with issues which drive us apart as parliamentarians. We should only use this method of streamlining our procedure after the five parties in this house have learned to work together in a more disciplined manner. Perhaps initially we should experiment with allocation of time after the committees of this house have had a good hard look at legislative proposals. I presume that even after the broadcasting committee has dealt thoroughly with the proposed amendments to the Broadcasting Act we in this house will still have a great deal to say about them. Divorce has been considered carefully and is a subject about which there are a great many opinions. Perhaps in this case, as in others, time allocation can be applied without any injury to the legislation itself or to the rights of members to express their opinions in this house.

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On the other hand, the training bill which we dealt with a few days ago did not go to a committee in the first place and the Minister of Manpower and Immigration (Mr. Marchand) came forward with about a dozen amendments to a bill of some 24 clauses. Obviously this sort of bill could not be dealt with under an allocation of time formula. With allocation of time we might wind up