

pessimistic. It is 16 per cent for young women and 20 per cent for young men. I wish to make that clear.

As far as post-secondary education is concerned, if I felt that adding more money to the education system was a solution to the youth problem, I would gladly recommend that to the Government.

I was a former chairperson of a schoolboard which administered 12,000 students and provided the salaries of probably the highest paid teachers in the world. I am talking about Quebec. The Quebec Government reduced their salaries by 20 per cent. I believe that the reduction of salaries has been the trend throughout most of the country. Most of the Civil Service in the country was either cut back or went on the six and five program, which of course was providing relief and ensuring that the economy was rebuilding.

I would like to assure my hon. friend that post-secondary education is a matter of great importance to me, but I am not convinced at this point that adding money would provide more space and better quality to education.

## PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[English]

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Herbert):** Order. It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 45, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment areas follows: the Hon. Member for Churchill (Mr. Murphy)—Atomic Energy Control Board—Regulations governing workers' safety—Request for public hearings. (b) Increase in permissible radiation level; the Hon. Member for Humboldt-Lake Centre (Mr. Althouse)—Agriculture—Exchange of plant genetic resources; the Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Birds Hill (Mr. Blaikie)—National Revenue—Retroactivity of tax demands.

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### SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

CONTINUATION OF DEBATE ON ADDRESS IN REPLY

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Jack Burghardt for an address to His Excellency the Governor General in reply to his speech at the opening of the session.

**Mr. Bud Bradley (Haldimand-Norfolk):** Mr. Speaker, it is a great pleasure for me to have this opportunity to speak today in reply to the Speech from the Throne, although I had hoped to have the opportunity some three years ago. I suppose one must ask oneself why a government would not bring in a new Speech from the Throne with new direction and new ideas each year as has been the traditional policy. It could be, as has been suggested, that it has taken this long for the Government

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to pass its Bills. With its abuse of the rule of closure, time is not its best argument. Possibly the Government recognized the state of the country but did not have any solutions and thus put off its embarrassment. It might be quickly pointed out that this is not true—just look at all the different proposals in the Throne Speech. If the Government had so many ideas, then why did we not see a Throne Speech last year or the year before in order to give the country direction or at least some hope of direction?

The fact is that many measures have been included in the Speech from the Throne, but it has been presented at this time for only one reason, that is, the lowly position of the Liberal Party in the polls so close to an election. I believe that John Bulloch, President of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, was right on when he said:

It is a good thing cats and dogs do not vote or there would be something there for them too.

This Throne Speech is a shotgun reaction, with No. 9 shot.

I am just a rural riding boy from along the quiet shores of Lake Erie. I look at my riding and ask myself what is in this Throne Speech for my constituents. I would like to take a few minutes to reflect on my constituency. It is a beautiful area located in southern Ontario, running close to 100 miles along the north shore of Lake Erie. It is a true mosaic. We are blessed with a diversification of soil types, crop production, vegetation, occupations and ethnic origin. Haldimand-Norfolk is basically a rural riding with a gentle mix of industry. We boast of the new Stelco Lake Erie works. We have the Texaco Refinery, the Ontario Hydro Nanticoke plant, American Can, IMC, ERCO and many more large and small enterprises.

Our soil type and agriculture vary greatly from east to west. We have a strong traditional mix of dairy cattle, grains, beans, tobacco, eggs, beef, pork, chicken, turkey, apples, tender fruit, vegetables and even peanuts. We have a major freshwater fishing fleet which, along with related fish processors and marine industries, support two ports in the riding.

This mosaic is further enhanced by the inhabitants. There are people with British, Dutch, Hungarian, German, Belgian, Polish, Ukrainian, Portugese, Greek and other ethnic backgrounds who work side by side. The people of Haldimand-Norfolk are a proud people. Many are descendants of those who pioneered this country. All are hoping and praying for a good and productive life for their children.

I have told you of my area so you can see that we are average Canadians, proud Canadians from many walks of life. Just like any part of this great land, our concerns and hopes are very simple: health and prosperity for ourselves, our children and our country. But we look in vain for guidance from the Government.

These are difficult times. Granted, the Government cannot be expected to have all the answers. I admit that there are many issues in the Throne Speech that I like and would like to support. On behalf of my constituents I will readily support any program that creates jobs, aids our seniors or protects our social programs. However, there is only mention of some good