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is not the United States. What might make sense in the United States, a country with a population 10 or 11 times the size of ours, does not make sense in this country. I am not one who sees a bogeyman in United States investment. I do not believe that United States investment cannot be controlled or directed to the best purposes of this nation, if we want it that way. The danger is not so much from the investment or the fact that they are Americans, Germans or anyone else, but from the fact that they bring with them their pattern of doing business which is inappropriate to our society. It just does not make sense. We have one of two choices. Either we break through this pattern and find some way of developing different methods of production in this country, or we succumb to that great continental market.

● (9:50 p.m.)

Continental integration of our economy would be a disaster of the greatest magnitude for us. Continental integration does not give you a political say. However, I do not want to discuss that aspect of the political problem. I would rather go on with the technical details. I would like the opportunity of going further into this matter with the minister. I want to conclude my remarks because it is getting rather late in the evening. I would like to make a few more remarks at this time and perhaps avail myself of the opportunity of making some additional comments later on.

**The Chairman:** Order, please. I might point out to the hon. member that his time has expired. Perhaps the committee would be disposed to grant him leave to continue?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Saltsman:** Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I appreciate the courtesy of the house and you, Mr. Chairman.

The minister has undertaken very heavy responsibilities. He enumerated all the various responsibilities which he inherited, such as tourism and wheat. With regard to wheat, some people question whether the minister has been able to handle that adequately. He also has the responsibility for resources and manufacturing.

How much attention can the minister be expected to devote to this great problem of rationalization? I am not saying the minister will not try. I am sure he will. I know he is a man who works hard and wants to do a good job. It is not on lack of intent or intelligence

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that my fears for this department are founded. It is just that he cannot do it. A man is being asked to do the impossible, Mr. Chairman, when he has this many obligations. Surely, this is an impossible task for anyone who wishes to innovate and make departures from the ordinary, as he must do.

The minister will have no alternative but to take the easy way out, call in the businessmen and say, "How would this suit you fellows? How would you like this organized?" The minister may not want it that way but he will have no choice except to behave in this way. It may not be the minister who will run the department, but the department and the international corporations that will run the minister.

I will conclude, Mr. Chairman, in deference to the courtesy extended to me. I am quite worried about this marriage. I want to point out the little flaws of the bride, and the groom may not be all he is supposed to be. I do not like sounding this sour note, but it is a policy. It is an amalgamation that is rooted in a failure, not the failure of an idea but a policy. If that policy failed before, what assurance have we now that it will not fail when the minister has so many other responsibilities in addition to the new one being added?

**The Chairman:** It being ten o'clock, shall I rise, report progress and request leave to set again at the next sitting of the house?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Progress reported.

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council):** I would just like to confirm, Mr. Speaker, that tomorrow we will continue with the government reorganization bill. As agreed, when we make progress on this item we will not deal with the next part of the bill in successive order, Part IV, with regard to the Department of Regional Economic Expansion. Rather we will go on to Part V and the subsequent parts and return to Part IV for completion after we have dealt with the rest of the bill.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** In accordance with Standing Order 40, a motion to adjourn the house is deemed to have been made and seconded at this time. Therefore, the question is that this house do now adjourn.