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the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence (Mr. Bradley) do not warrant his receiving extra pay for the job.

The Parliamentary Secretary does not know what is going on around him and he is ill-informed. The Parliamentary Secretary has learned the methods used by other Conservatives in the House of how to abuse and downgrade Question Period by not answering questions, instead using the time for propaganda purposes and making statements that have no relevance to the questions asked.

The Liberal Party has been on record since day one as being opposed to the nuclear submarine program because the \$8 billion will rob other programs in the Department. The Parliamentary Secretary did not know that. Where has he been?

During the last election campaign the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) said that he would increase the Canadian Armed Forces to 90,000 within three years. He is not even close after four years, and he has failed once again with his promises.

If it was not for the defence budget put together by the Liberal Party when it was in power, the present Tory Government would not be able to move, because the Government has not kept its own financial commitment to the Canadian Forces, and in its first year in office it failed even to meet the rate of inflation because of its lack of financial commitment. Why do we pay such people extra money to be a Parliamentary Secretary?

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## GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

### NEW LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Mrs. Mary Collins (Capilano):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to bring to the attention of the House and pay tribute to the recent appointment of the new Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Dr. David See-Chai Lam.

Dr. Lam is a self-made man. He immigrated to Canada from Hong Kong in 1967, and came only with his skills, his tenacity, and his ideals. In 20 years he built up his company to a million dollar company, Canadian International Enterprises, right from the ground up, and founded the Hong Kong Merchant's Association which assists new immigrants from Hong Kong to adjust to the Canadian way of life. And more than this, Dr. Lam is a philanthropist. He is the founder and President of the Floribunda Philanthropic Society and the David and Dorothy Lam Foundation which has helped many organizations in our local community.

Dr. Lam is an example of an individual who has immigrated to Canada and has become a success, but he has not turned his

back on those less fortunate, and has given much to his new home and community.

As the first Canadian of Chinese origin to achieve the position of a Lieutenant-Governor of a Canadian province we wish Dr. Lam well, and we commend the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) and this Government on this most worthy appointment.

**Some Hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

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## BANKS AND BANKING

### BANK OF MONTREAL—SEIZURE OF HUMBOLDT AND DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S FUNDS

**Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Prince Albert):** Mr. Speaker, Humboldt, Saskatchewan, has been treated to an example of corporate insensitivity and bank greed and poor citizenship. The Humboldt and District Agricultural Society has been forced into near bankruptcy by the action of the Bank of Montreal.

The Agricultural Society had \$15,000 on deposit with the bank, money taken in at the Agricultural Fair last month. The bank, without notice, seized all the funds and applied them to their loan. There was no courteous discussion and no notice. The Agricultural Society had many local bills to pay, but their ability has been pre-empted by the bank action.

This is a fine example of corporate citizenship. It is obvious that the bank has little faith in volunteer community organizations and very little concern for the community. The Humboldt Agricultural Society has been treated in a very cruel and unfair manner.

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## REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### CITY OF LONGUEUIL—ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

**Mr. Nic Leblanc (Longueuil):** Mr. Speaker, this week I had the pleasure of being received by the Council of the City of Longueuil, the only city in my riding. The council was delighted to hear that their federal Member had been working very hard to make Longueuil the federal government's administrative capital on Montreal's south shore. Since I was elected, most federal offices have located in Longueuil, to give the people of Longueuil and the whole south shore of Montreal easier access to federal services. The council was also delighted to hear that over \$200 million has been invested in the private sector, in turn generating investment worth nearly \$1 billion in Longueuil alone.