overworked, underpaid and often part-time clerks in stationery or drug stores is very apparent in my riding.

Vancouver East is home to large Chinese, Korean, Italian, Latin American and other international communities. A thorough knowledge of international postal systems is vital for the maintenance of family communications. Sometimes it can mean the very survival of family members in the country of origin.

Yet with this new system it is understandable that part-time clerks who are untrained and underpaid do not have the skills to communicate with people of different cultures and to understand foreign procedures. Many franchise unit staff members simply do not seem to know postal procedures. The result is that people are forced to chase their parcels across the city and the country. Seniors, parents with young children and physically disabled people find the services inaccessible and sometimes impossible to use.

It is outrageous that this government has allowed this devastating deterioration of essential public services. I

could go on and on, but in the time remaining I would like to move:

That the House do now adjourn.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Some hon. members: No.

Madam Deputy Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some hon. members: Yea.

Madam Deputy Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. members: Nay.

Madam Deputy Speaker: In my opinion the yeas have it.

Motion agreed to.

Madam Deputy Speaker: The motion has been adopted and the House is adjourned until Monday morning at eleven o'clock.

The House adjourned at 2.54 p.m.