

*Borrowing Authority*

we must change the situation for our people! But now, after September 4, they are behaving just like Mr. Trudeau used to do. This government is not being altogether honest with the people of Canada.

[*English*]

I wish some of these people across the way who got up and showed outrage a few years ago would get up now and say the same thing to the new Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney). If they do not do it now, that Prime Minister is going to create an empire in the PMO and the PCO. He will create an empire that makes the empire of the Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry (Mr. Axworthy) look pretty small in comparison. The only way for them to stop is for them to get up in this House and put a stop to it. They have the majority of Members.

● (1640)

I wonder what they are going to use this money for, Mr. Speaker. I have had the opportunity to watch first-hand a Conservative Government in my province for the last few years. As I said earlier in the House today, when it took office in April of 1982 there was a surplus in the Saskatchewan treasury of over \$100 million. After two years there is a deficit of over \$800,000 because of the incompetence of that particular government. The unemployment rate has gone up from 4 per cent to 8 per cent, which is one of the most rapid increases in any part of Canada. The number of people on welfare in my province has gone up by 73 per cent in the last two and a half years.

The Government across the way is borrowing money for the same kinds of programs and purposes as the Government of Saskatchewan and the Government of British Columbia did. They say that confidence, the private sector, and business will do it. Grant Devine says the same thing in Saskatchewan. He says they are open for business and will allow the private sector to do it. They will create all kinds of jobs. Exactly the opposite has happened, Mr. Speaker, and that is another reason why the House should say no to allowing the Government across the way to borrow some \$23.3 billion, which is going to put debt upon debt upon the people of Canada in the years ahead.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Charest):** Before giving the floor to another speaker, I would like to remind the Hon. Member for Yorkton-Melville (Mr. Nystrom) that I inadvertently let him cite a speech made by another Member of the House. There was a decision reported on July 28, 1979 which stated that it is not in order for a Member to obtain or quote during the current sitting the official record of the remarks of any other Member. I would just like to remind the House of that decision.

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Vincent Della Noce (Duvernay):** Mr. Speaker, this being my first speech in the House of Commons, I would like to start by thanking my constituents in the riding of Duvernay for sending me to Ottawa to represent them. I promise to do everything in my power to honour the trust they have placed in

me. I also wish to say a word of thanks to my colleagues in the House, who were most generous with their help and advice from the first day I started my new life as a Parliamentarian.

Mr. Speaker, the riding of Duvernay is the eastern part of the City of Laval and today encompasses an area with a population of over 108,000. Duvernay has a large francophone majority, 89 per cent, while 7 per cent of the population are English-speaking and 4 per cent represent the various ethnic communities. The riding is a veritable paradise for people who like peace and quiet. As far as the economy is concerned, there is a good business environment with the following main industries: manufacturing, construction and the petro-chemical sector. I may add for the information of the House that today, five correctional centres are located in the riding, and even more important, there is a training centre for correctional centre staff, the only francophone centre in Canada.

As a new Member of Parliament I would like to take advantage of the occasion of my maiden speech in the House to say that I fully realize I have yet a great deal to learn, while sharing with my colleagues the business of Parliament and the responsibilities we have to the people we represent here in Parliament.

Mr. Speaker, as a newcomer to Parliament, I have not only a great deal to learn, but also much to offer in the way of experience and my perception of the economic problems facing this country today. Speaking with the people of Duvernay who have entrusted me with the difficult task of speaking for my constituents and explaining their needs before this national forum, I have a deep sense of my responsibility in meeting their expectations and helping them to put the economy of our country back on the right course.

One could compare Canada's distressing economic situation to what happens when we want to renovate an old house. Before you can renovate or expand, you first have to remove any rot from the beams and reinforce the frame. Our Government has made a firm resolve not to act hastily, to ensure that both the economy and the Government will be operating effectively in the interests of all Canadians. I am therefore very happy to be part of a team that is determined to bring this country's horrific deficit under control.

I would like to add, as the only Italian Member of the Government, that I am proud to represent in this House both the riding of Duvernay and the entire Italian community. Even as a junior Member of Parliament who may not have a great deal of impact on Government decision-making, I am confident, after many conversations with my colleagues, that I will be able to explain satisfactorily the problems of my riding and to act as my constituents' spokesman in the House of Commons.

Mr. Speaker, today is the first time I have spoken to Bill C-11, an Act to provide borrowing authority. I am pleased with this opportunity to say a few words about the reasons for tabling this Bill. I would like to mention briefly some of the premises that form the basis for my comments today. I would