

rooms to save hydro. In another university they are burning books to save library space. In another university assignments are not given because there is not enough money to provide paper. Our universities are in a tragic situation, so bad financially that increasingly accessibility to the universities is being cut. Potential students who only recently achieved access to university, the women, the disabled, the minority groups and natives, are finding it too difficult to get into university. Someone going to university now has to borrow to the maximum, as low income families do. They will be faced with a debt of \$40,000 in interest plus principal. It will cost them \$350 a month for nine years before they have a secure life debt free from the cost of attending university. This is how bad the situation has become.

It is so bad that the best of our professors are leaving Canada and for those who get into university, they will find that the quality of education has deteriorated. Yet the Government is cutting the rate of increases in transfer payments, the rate at which it meets the costs of the operation of the universities with the provinces. This has been addressed, at least in part in previous discussions.

We have reached the conclusion that the heads of the Government are impervious to reason, to understanding, and in their ability to look to the future and plan for the future.

This attitude is manifested also in the nonsensical, hypocritical devious way in which the Government has treated science. This is a Government that claims to understand that if the country is supposed to have an economic future, it must be dependent upon the development of research and technology to a level which can reasonably be expected to compete with other countries. At present, we are winning a good, tight race, just slightly ahead of Italy. Pretty soon we will be behind Monaco, at the rate the Government is going.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order, please. The Hon. Member will have five minutes when we resume.

It now being one o'clock, I do now leave the Chair until two o'clock p.m.

At 1.17 p.m. the House took recess.

#### AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** When the House rose at 1.17 p.m. the Member for Windsor-Walkerville (Mr. McCurdy) had the floor. The Member not being present, we will continue with debate.

**Some Hon. Members:** Question.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Is the House ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** Question.

#### Adjournment of the House

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** The question is on the motion of the Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson). Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**An Hon. Member:** No.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** All those in favour please say yea.

**Some Hon. Members:** Yea.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** All those opposed please say nay.

**An Hon. Member:** Nay.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** In my opinion the yeas have it. I declare the motion carried on division.

Motion agreed to.

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#### HOUSE OF COMMONS

##### MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that there has been ample time provided for debate, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Gatineau (Mrs. Maily):

That this House do now adjourn.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** The House has heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some Hon. Members:** No.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** All those in favour please say yea.

**Some Hon. Members:** Yea.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** All those opposed please say nay.

**Some Hon. Members:** Nay.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** In my opinion the yeas have it.

*And more than five Members having risen:*

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Call in the Members.

• (1410)

*During the ringing of the bells:*

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** The Chair has been informed that because of slippery conditions on the hill the buses are running late. Therefore, the ringing of the bells will be extended and the vote will take place shortly.

The House divided on the motion (Mr. Lewis), which was negated on the following division: