

The fact that these people can be in the House of Commons of Canada is the price Canadians have to pay for living in a democracy.

If the socialists want to get beyond the stage of undisciplined snivellers, their party will have to take positions that are more in line with the background and philosophy of life of all Canadians.

Meanwhile, we would like to know when and how the socialist Leader will comment on what was said by the Hon. Member for Brant (Mr. Blackburn) about Canada's defence, without overlooking the positions taken by the Members for New Westminster—Coquitlam (Ms. Jewett) and Burnaby (Mr. Robinson), and his Party's resolutions on NATO and NORAD. I may refer to the resolutions passed at the March, 1987, Convention, Resolution B.4.3—B.1.1. paragraphs (8) and (9).

Instead of camping out in Quebec this summer, the socialist Leader should put his house in order and discipline his troops.

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[English]

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

FUNDS AND MANPOWER NEEDED TO ENFORCE NEW LEGISLATION'S PROVISIONS

Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Davenport): Mr. Speaker, the environment protection Bill introduced in the House by the Minister of the Environment (Mr. McMillan) on Friday looks good on paper as far as it deals with new chemicals. However, no matter how well written, it cannot stop pollution without monitoring and enforcement.

To implement the Bill the Government has allocated only \$37 million over five years to be split between three departments, the Department of the Environment, the Department of National Health and Welfare and the Department of Justice. This \$37 million is further divided between assessment of new chemicals, administration of the Act, and enforcement.

In addition, in 1987 the Department of the Environment has already lost 106 person-years and the Health Protection Branch of the Department of National Health and Welfare has lost 22 person-years. In the face of these facts, how can the Government ensure effective enforcement?

How can the Government impose \$1 million a day fines without the means to enforce the law? To be convincing, the Minister must make adequate funds available for enforcement if this Bill is really going to protect the environment and Canadians.

Oral Questions

CANADA LABOUR CODE

MATERNITY BENEFIT PROVISIONS

Mr. Rod Murphy (Churchill): Mr. Speaker, it is always a rush in the House at the end of June to pass legislation. As a result, quite often we do make mistakes in the passage of legislation and such an occurrence took place in 1984 when we made changes to Part III of the Labour Code. At that time we tried to guarantee that women who were on maternity leave, who would normally be receiving benefits paid by their employer, would continue to receive those benefits. Since then we have had a decision rendered in a case with regard to Bell Canada where the opposite has been decided.

Since Labour Canada promised the women of this country they would continue to receive paid benefits while they were on maternity leave, I call upon the Minister of Labour (Mr. Cadieux) to keep that promise and to act quickly to ensure a legislative change is made.

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POLITICAL PARTIES

HAMILTON MOUNTAIN BY-ELECTION—PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE'S BROCHURE

Ms. Sheila Copps (Hamilton East): Mr. Speaker, some of us are going on vacation, others are going on the war-path. I am going on the war-path in the riding of Hamilton Mountain to make sure that Elizabeth Phinney is the next Member of Parliament. I can tell you, Mr. Speaker, who is not going to be invited to participate in the Conservative war-path. I have here a copy of a brochure from the Conservative candidate on Hamilton Mountain. Surprisingly, the only Prime Minister he mentions is the former Prime Minister, the Hon. Member for Yellowhead (Mr. Clark).

I looked through the brochure and could not find a picture of the current Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney). I could not find a mention of the current Prime Minister. There is not a single picture. No wonder the Prime Minister is not welcome on Hamilton Mountain. If he comes there he is going to be a liability and he will make sure by his presence that Elizabeth Phinney is the next Member of Parliament for Hamilton Mountain.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

TRADE

CANADA-UNITED STATES NEGOTIATIONS—RELATIONS BETWEEN MINISTER AND AMBASSADOR

Right Hon. John N. Turner (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, as we adjourn, hopefully, for the summer, I am sure