

even further opportunities for harassment of Canadian traders. By the time the disputes are settled, the victims will already have suffered the effects of American countervail and anti-dumping provisions.

Mr. McDermid: You should have heard testimony at committee.

Mr. McCurdy: Finally, subparagraph (e) reads:

"—lay the foundation for further bilateral and multilateral co-operation to expand and enhance the benefits of the Agreement."

Nobody believes that; no outside observer believes that. Probably what we have done with respect to the service area has created an opportunity for the use of this area of investment for a new kind of colonialism of which Canada is the first victim.

It is shameful that this piece of legislation has to be rushed through the House by virtue of closure. There have been observations made about this kind of activity on the part of the Government. Let me read an interesting quote. Imposed upon us is that:

"—we have to hold our noses and pass whatever this government brings to the House, and pass it quickly. This comes from a closure-crazed government, a government which suffers from the crime of parliamentary bestiality. It cannot wait to force these kinds of things through the House."

Who said that, Mr. Speaker? Who went on to say:

"It is a betrayal of the parliamentary system to add to the betrayal of the people of Canada, who have been betrayed in gasoline prices. They have been betrayed in heating oil prices. They have been betrayed by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau).

They have been betrayed by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Lalonde). Now they have been betrayed by the House leader of the government."

This same, up until now, anonymous commentator who has been so right about the circumstances which face us now went on to say:

"Today we have a parliamentary system of government without any checks and balances and without the separation of powers. The Prime Minister has a group of docile sheep in his caucus who keep him in power, no matter what he is doing. They just say, "Baaa, sir, baaa, sir, pass it through the House, sir".

As long as they do that, he has absolute power. This Prime Minister has absolute power as long as the majority in his caucus give him that unlimited power. They are so busy with their noses in the patronage trough and the power trough that they neither know nor care what happens to this Parliament, and we can expect nothing from them."

He goes on to say, and this is relevant in the present circumstances, this very erudite and observant commentator:

"Where are the people with the grapes in their district?"

Finally, he said:

"Where are all the defenders of the people on the other side of the House? They are going to come out of their trough in a few minutes. They will hear the bell and will have to break away from whatever trough they have their noses in at the moment. They will have to come into this House and say "Oink, oink".

They will have to say "Aye, aye". They will have to say "Yes" to the stampeding of Parliament, to rushing this bill through the House. They will

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have to say "Yes" to the gutting of Parliament. They will have to do the dirty work that the parliamentary assistants, assassins and eunuchs have asked them to do."

That was the Minister of International Trade (Mr. Crosbie) who identified what this Government is doing with its imposition of closure in an attempt to hide from the Canadian people the rape of Canada.

Mr. Dan Heap (Spadina): Mr. Speaker, these three amendments before us in this group on the trade bill, Bill C-130, enable us to point out some of the very serious dangers in this Bill. Motion No. 5 would delete Clause 3 in the Bill. That would have the effect of deleting the statement of purposes. That would be a distinct improvement if it were done, but I want to mention particularly two of the purposes that seem to me quite misleading or misworded as they stand.

In Clause 3(b) it says one of the purposes is to:

"—facilitate conditions of fair competition within the free trade area established by the Agreement."

We have heard a great deal in the past about the need for having a dispute settlement mechanism. We now find that we do not have one, not of the sort promised to us by this Government. We do not have one that protects us against non-tariff trade barriers, against countervail, and against anti-dumping laws passed by the United States in the past or in the future. All the dispute mechanism does is tell us, if it is carried through, whether an American law was fairly applied. We could have a two, three or four year process of dispute while Canadian exporters to the United States go down the drain and find at the end of the judgment that the American law, while we might think it an unfair law, nevertheless was fairly applied, that is, applied in the way it was intended and, therefore, we have no complaint and no remedy.

There are many manufacturers in Spadina in the clothing industry who are seriously worried about this Bill, particularly because of this aspect of the Bill. They have spoken out against it, including some who originally favoured the negotiations, took part in the negotiations, and at first said that it was a good deal. They then found it was a bad deal. They are threatened, for example, by the prospect of restriction of Canadian imports into the United States depending on where the Canadian manufacturer buys its fabric. That has been objected to strongly by Mr. Nygard who was the chairman of the SAGIT and who took part in these negotiations. He even recommended that his industry, not his company but the whole clothing manufacturing industry, be removed from the free trade agreement for that reason, but of course his recommendation to the Government was ignored.

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The result of that sort of failure in the negotiations with the United States was illustrated some months ago when a clothing producer in Ontario was negotiating a loan with a bank, had gone through all the stages up to the point where he was told: "Okay, go and see the manager next week and he will