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## Parliament Hill report



Garth Turner, M.P.  
 Halton-Peel

Okay, I'm a realist. I know the constitutional process is not going well, and that we're all fed up with it, anyway.

As I've already told you, it's too much for an Ontario MP like me to accept any deal in which 10 million people in this province get the same voice in an elected Senate as PEI, with a population smaller than the regions of Halton and Peel.

And, of course, the economy is recovering too slowly - especially for those people who have lost their jobs. So, we have problems to solve. What else is new?

But we also have some things, as

Canadians, to feel good about, and I hope we don't lose sight of that. There are a lot worse places on the planet to live, as the United Nations underscored when it voted us the number one country.

I mean, consider this:

- The biggest hero in the world right now is probably Major-General Lewis MacKenzie, a Canadian soldier. He's just returned from commanding the United Nations Protection Forces in Bosnia, where he took death threats, relentless mortar shelling and abuse in his stride.

I watched MacKenzie one night last week on CNN's Larry King Live show where he looked every inch a general, soldier, diplomat and leader, while maintaining a nice Canadian glow - modest and self-effacing. MacKenzie had some telling things to say when reminded he was being called a hero.

"I mean, in Canada we don't like heroes", he said. "We never elect somebody into government. We always elect them out".

Worthwhile words for a politician to remember.

- It's good news that the prime rate at the banks has crashed down to just 6.5% - the lowest it has been in some twenty years.

The Bank of Canada rate - which the prime is based on - has dropped for 14 weeks, and now sits at just 5.3%. You can now get a three year mortgage for under 8%, which is six points less than it was two years ago.

What's encouraging is that with inflation down to around 1%, it's a real possibility that these low rates can stay low - and we can finally get off the roller coaster that made taking out a mortgage feel like playing roulette.

- This is already having an effect in the real estate market. From

Burlington to Bowmanville last month, realtors reported that resales jumped by 11% from the month before, and were up 30% from the same month a year earlier.

- Of course, we can all feel good about what's been going on in Barcelona. Despite the fact we were robbed a couple of times, Canadian athletes have turned in a wonderful performance and reaped a respectable number of medals.

Speaking French or English, with faces that were white or black or yellow, those Canadians all showed pride and emotion as O Canada was played and the maple leaf flag raised.

More proof that what some people say about Canada is right on: We're a solution in search of a problem.

- Finally, I think it is good news that more people are getting involved in our political process these days.

I was happy to walk into a meeting in Caledon the other night and see a couple of hundred people out to discuss all the dump sites which the provincial NDP government is proposing. The same awareness is spreading in Georgetown, as folks realize five potential dump sites have been proposed almost within sight of the centre of town.

For four years in this job I've tried to get people into the process through Town Hall meetings, cable TV shows, mailings, committees, surveys and anything else I could think of. Because if the political system is not open and accessible, then things start breaking down.

In a way, it's too bad that folks only get mobilized when there's a threat to fight, but on the other hand, anything that defeats apathy is good. If we leave politics to the politicians we're giving up our right to be part of this participatory democracy.

And that's far too precious a thing to lose.

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