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DREW TAKES

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Federal contributory old-age pensions system and an indirect provincial sales tax.

A Serious Threat

The sales-tax amendment would represent a serious threat to the living standards of the Canadian people and to the constitution itself. The British North America Act gave the Provinces the fields of direct taxation and the Federal Government the fields of indirect taxation.

Already there was some confusion as to the taxing rights of the various governments. Letting the Provinces into the indirect tax field would create further confusion.

Mr. Drew said he would urge that the whole tax field be reviewed by the Federal Government in meetings with the Provinces and municipalities.

He described the sales tax as "vicious."

A noisy exchange occurred when Justice Minister Garson interjected that the sales-tax amendment was not contingent on the old-age pensions amendment.

Mr. Drew said that if that was the case then no further consideration should be given to the amendment that would allow the Provinces to collect an indirect sales tax.

Mr. Garson jumped to his feet on a point of order when Mr. Drew quoted him as saying that the Provinces did not need the sales tax to raise the revenues needed to pay old-age pensions.

"Not Contingent"

The Justice Minister said he had made no such statement. He had said that the sales-tax amendment was not contingent on the old-age pensions amendment.

Mr. Drew said the record would speak for itself.

Mr. Drew said an indirect provincial sales tax could be used as a most effective barrier to trade between Provinces. It could be applied against goods entering a Province and not against goods manufactured in that Province.

He hoped there would be no delay in getting through the amendment that would allow the Federal Government to inaugurate a system under which pensions of \$40 a month would be paid to all 70 and over regardless of means.

Dealing with the 1951-52 budget, he called for immediate repeal of the increase in the general sales tax to 10 per cent from eight per cent. The sales tax pyramid costs all along the line and increased the price to the consumer.

Mr. Drew said the budget did nothing to reduce the high cost of living or to combat inflation.

"I think the situation has reached a point where some other devices ought to be used to control inflation," he said.

He charged Mr. Abbott with underestimating his budgetary surpluses and said that if the Government was following a program of debt retirement it should outline that program in the budget.

He reiterated a demand for "flexible" controls to bring down living costs. Increased production would help beat inflation, but to obtain increased production there should be increased immigration.

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\*FUNERAL YESTERDAY — The funeral of the late Alexander MacDonald of Whim Road, who passed away in Charlottetown on Monday, April 23rd, in his 91st year, was held from the Trinity United Church, Montague, yesterday afternoon. During the service the hymns sung were "Rock of Ages," and "The Lord's My Shepherd."

Dr. A.D. MacKenzie preached a very inspiring sermon taking as his text "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Psalm 90. Rev. A. C. Fraser assisted at the grave. Interment took place at the Valleyfield cemetery.

\*TO LOAD PRODUCE—Arriving yesterday in port at Montague from Newfoundland, were the "M. and R. Martin" and the "Palfrey", to load produce from local exporters for Newfoundland ports. The M. and R. Martin is under the command of Capt. Hughie Grandy, and hails from Grand Banks, while the Palfrey, under the command of Capt. George Snook, is out of Corner Brook. The two vessels were loading today with potatoes, turnips, and other mixed produce. Also arrived yesterday was the Ulna from Sydney on her regular weekly trip to Montague. The motor vessel is also taking on a cargo of mixed produce for Cape Breton ports.

\*BOY SCOUTS INVESTITURE —The regular meeting of the First Montague Boy Scout Troop was held out doors last night when the first investiture of new scouts took place. The program consisted of songs, games and contests around the council fire.

The four young scouts invested included Billie MacLure, Paul DesRoches, Keith Pearson and Peter DesRoches. The Scoutmaster, Mr. Eric Duvar, delivered a short talk on the meaning and purpose of the scout investiture, showing the new young scouts that to belong to a scout troop, and to practice the ideals of scouting, called for the utmost attention on the part of the scout. He pointed out that the scout laws were so formulated to assist the mental and social development of the young boys, and if followed would do much in assisting them to grow into useful citizens of which the community might well be proud. Following the investiture ceremony, the boys enjoyed some games and sing-songs, after which the meeting closed with the horse shoe ceremony.

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