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"The strength of nations depends on the strength of the family units in that country and of which the foundation is constructed. As the family units upon which the nation is founded deteriorates, so does the nation. So, in the final analysis, it is the national duty of us to strive to build up strong and virile family units—morally, physically and materially. Each go hand in hand.

"In this Assembly of Members, coming from and representing every phase of our economic life, there are great opportunities for personal discussion among the Members and, naturally, we discuss the industries and the affairs of our constituencies, in exchange of views and ideas, from coast to coast.

What struck me forcibly was that there was an equally strong demand from other sections of Canada to have grievances adjusted, about which we have heard so much in the Maritimes. I have come to the conclusion that perhaps we have heard too much of this, and that the effect of it has been to bring to us a defeatist attitude, rather than to promote a spirit of courage, venturesomeness and a will to fight our way, instead of depending so much on the mental attitude — "Let the government do it."

"This is not the spirit of the pioneers, with which our ancestors cleared the forests, forded the bays and rivers, tilled the soil and fished the waters. They had no government to go to for hand-outs, but they had courage, resourcefulness, a will to work and a will to battle their own way. They surely did not foster a defeatist attitude. Some of this spirit, courage and resourcefulness could well be inculcated in our young people of today.

"Referring to our position, as compared with other regions of Canada; in many ways we are more favourably situated geographically. Take, for example, the immense value of the water which we have access to, as compared to dry inland areas of Canada. This water is a great asset to us in that it makes for competition in freight rates which inland regions do not enjoy and, until the coming of the trucking mode of transportation, those areas had only rail transportation facilities, while now we have all four—rail, air, water and truck.

"Let us take a look at what the Federal Government has contributed to assist us in those freight matters. They have spent millions of dollars in building breakwaters to protect railway wharves — railway wharves themselves built by the Government to permit us to ship by water our produce anywhere in the world and always competing with railway rates.

Sales Tax

"Much is being said in criticism of the Federal Government's legislation on Sales Tax and Income

Tax and for those who do not take the trouble to look into the facts and figures relative to revenue derived by the Government from those two fields of taxation and to make it clear in our minds with respect to who pays the larger proportion of those taxes:

"First, I will take the Sales Tax. Our present Sales Tax has a very long list of exemptions. About ninety-five per cent of all foods are free of Sales Tax. All fuels and all building material are exempt. Two thirds of the average Canadian family's total spending is not touched by the Sales Tax. Contrary to the frequent assertion, the Sales Tax does not strike a higher proportion of the expenditures of low income groups. Calculations based on recent family budget studies made by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics indicate that in the lowest income groups only about one quarter of total income is spent on goods subject to sales tax. At the \$3,000 a year level about one-third of the family income is spent on goods subject to this tax. This 33 per cent of income spent on taxed commodities extends to beyond the \$6,000 a year level. Only when incomes exceed \$7,000 or \$8,000 a year does the proportion of income spent on goods subject to sales tax start to decline and this is just about the point where income tax becomes sharply progressive. To say that the sales tax is a harsh regressive tax is just not borne out by facts.

Income Taxes

"I earlier referred to Income Tax and many of us associate the words in our minds with great fear and trepidation. We have the solution right with ourselves in enabling us to dissipate those fears and that is with a lead pencil and paper by keeping an exact record of all our receipts and expenditures for every calendar day in the year. The trouble with us is that we have never been accustomed to keeping records of receipts and expenses. Now the Income Tax makes it necessary and imperative and it is absolutely necessary for the Government to know who can afford to pay the tax to support the demands of the people under our Social Security program, where such a large part of our present revenue must be directed.

"Naturally, it is going to take us some time to educate ourselves in the practice and habit of recording all our business transactions. Records should be kept of everything on a farm—from a nail to a combine—and our receipts likewise. Many of us overlook recording small items of expenses but in the course of a full year it is amazing what the total can add up to. Only in this way can we live in peace with the income tax officials.

"I should point out that the income tax does not bear heavily on low income groups. Only one half of the people in Canada earning money pay any income tax at all. To name a few examples: a married man with no children may have an income of \$2,000 and

is exempt; a married man with two children receiving Family Allowance, with an income of \$2,300, is exempt. An exemption of \$150 per child is granted. For single persons, exemption is granted up to \$1,000. Persons earning more than \$5,000 per year pay 50 per cent of all income taxes collected.

"From what I have said, one can readily see that an amazingly small percentage of the primary producers in P. E. I. pay either sales tax or income tax, but the way to prove that one is not subject to income tax is to maintain records of all our receipts and expenses—an inexpensive avenue of avoiding discomfort.

Old Age Pensions
"The Liberal Government is losing no time in bringing into effect the new Old Age Security plan. It has reached agreement with all ten provincial governments as to the terms of the amendment to the B. N. A. Act, which has been passed by the British Parliament, enabling the St. Laurent Government to proceed with the plan. At an autumn session this legislation will be dealt with, making provision for all persons reaching the age of 70 to receive \$40 per month starting in January of 1952, without the means test.

"It has been announced by the Minister of Health and Welfare, the Hon. Alex Matheson, that agreement has been reached with the Federal Government that persons over 65 will receive old age assistance at the rate of \$40 per month, subject to eligibility qualifications, each government paying on a fifty-fifty basis.

This should convince all and sundry of the beneficent attitude entertained by our two Liberal

governments for the interest and welfare of the people. If this beneficial legislation were proposed prior to a general election, the Tories would shout—Liberal bribes! No, the Liberal party does not seek the support of the people on pre-election promises and bribes. On the contrary, they implement beneficial legislation in the interests of the people, regardless of elections. They seek the support and confidence of the people on their tangible and actual accomplishments. They have no time to wait for elections that would impede their endeavours or lessen Canada's progressive forward stride."

Cook's Corner

JAM SQUARES

One-half cup sugar, 1 1/4 cups sifted pastry flour, or 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons sifted all-purpose flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, grated rind of 1 lemon, 1/3 cup shortening, 1 egg, 1/2 cup strawberry jam.

Mix and sift together sugar, flour, baking powder and salt. Add

grated lemon rind. Cut in shortening with pastry blender or two knives until mixture resembles fine oatmeal. Add well beaten egg blending thoroughly. Press 2/3 of the mixture into a greased 7" x 7" cake pan, dot with the jam. Drop the remaining 1/3 of the dry mixture by spoonfuls on the jam. Bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees F., until lightly browned, 40 to 45 minutes. These are best when eaten fresh. Yield: 1 pan of squares 7" x 7".

THERE OUGHT TO BE A LAW! By Fagaly and Shorten



Express Concern Over Present Trading Trends

By ALAN HARVEY

LONDON, June 16 — (CP) — A gathering of Commonwealth business men Friday endorsed a Canadian view that the sooner the world gets back to multilateral trading the better it will be for everybody.

Delegates also expressed concern over present trading trends which tend to pull Canadian agricultural exports away from the United Kingdom and towards the United States.

Loss of British markets, it was argued, restricted the potential expansion of Canadian agriculture and affected Britain's food consumption.

The viewpoints were expressed at today's closing meeting of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, whose 17th congress opened here Monday. The 260 delegates from throughout the Commonwealth included a 20-member Canadian representation, headed by Francis Winspear of Edmonton, president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

The statements on multilateral trade and Canadian agriculture were drafted during the week by delegates split up into five committees, each of which reported its findings at a plenary session today.

Another statement approved by the Congress in full session stressed the desirability of the utmost

possible speed in clearing away currency restrictions which hinder immigration to Canada. The importance of standardizing military production and equipment among the free countries was also emphasized.

The congress accepted an invitation from A. E. Walford of Montreal to hold the next congress at Montreal in 1954. The congress meets every three years.

C. W. L. KELLY'S CROSS

The regular monthly meeting of St. Joseph's sub-division, C. W. L. Kelly's Cross took place on June 3rd, opening as usual, with prayer by the chaplain. The pre-

sident, Mrs. Joseph Kelly occupied the chair. Roll call was responded to by the average attendance of members. The minutes of the last month's meeting were read by secretary, Mrs. John Molyneux; the said minutes were duly approved and signed. Correspondence was then read and a discussion took place.

The treasurer Mrs. E. Trainor submitted her report which showed a balance on hand. It was moved that Mrs. Annes Matters should be appointed convener to take care of the monthly sweeping and dusting of church. Discussion took place regarding ways and means to increase our funds. On suggestion of the president a motion was carried to hold dances in the hall every two weeks during the summer season. It was also decided to sell candy at a coming play in the hall on June 11th. Father MacMillan made his usual helpful suggestions and

strongly stressed the fact that every woman in the parish should belong to the C. W. L. especially the younger married women and girls. On motion of Mrs. Maurice McDonald the meeting was adjourned. The meeting was followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask. — (CP) — First panel broadcast from a penitentiary in the history of Canadian radio was made recently from the Saskatchewan Penitentiary. A half-hour panel sports quiz was broadcast.

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ELECTORS OF QUEEN'S COUNTY

For the information of those electors who have no opportunity of examining the Dominion Election Act, and especially the provisions thereof relating to corrupt and illegal practices, this space will be used daily to publish the main sections of the statute dealing with such practices.

The following are extracts from the Dominion Election Act:

- 15. (1) Subject to the exceptions stated in the next following subsection, every person employed by any person for pay or reward in reference to a by-election in the electoral district in which such person would otherwise be entitled to vote shall be disqualified from voting and incompetent to vote in such electoral district at such by-election.
- (2) A person shall not be disqualified from voting at the election of a member to serve in the House of Commons by reason that he is employed for pay or reward in reference to a by-election in the electoral district in which such person would otherwise be entitled to vote, so long as the employment is legal.
- (3) Persons who may be legally employed are:
(a) election clerk, revising officers, deputy returning officers, enumerators, poll clerks, messengers, interpreters, constables and persons otherwise necessarily and properly employed by an election officer for the conduct of the by-election;
(b) official agents of candidates;
(c) persons engaged in printing election material on behalf of a candidate; and
(d) persons employed, whether casually or for the period of the by-election or part thereof, in advertising of any kind, or as clerks or stenographers or as messengers on behalf of a candidate;

the total number of persons employed under the provisions of clause (d) of this subsection shall not exceed one for each five hundred electors in the electoral district. The name, address and occupation of every such person so employed shall be communicated, in writing, to the returning officer who shall, in turn, communicate such name, address and occupation to the deputy returning officer of the appropriate polling station.

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OBEY THE LAW!
DEMOCRACY IS IN DANGER!**

Watch this space for further details.
Inserted by the Queen's County Progressive Conservative Party.

Who Is Hurt By The Increase In Sales Tax?

- Old Age and Blind Pensioners
- Women Drawing Mother's Allowances
- Veterans On Pension
- Married Couples Establishing Homes
- Railroad, Civil Service and Other Retired Workers
- Farmers, Fishermen and Workers
- In Short, All Those Who Can Least Bear The Burden

Who Voted For The Sales Tax?
Our Liberal Representatives

Who Voted Against The Sales Tax?

Our Progressive Conservative Representative

Let's Send OUR Vote With A VOTE FOR MacLEAN



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J. ANGUS MacLEAN

We Have One Fighter At Ottawa -- Let's Send Another

VOTE FOR MacLEAN