

then they can continue with details of proposals and tell the public that some of the money now being used for war purposes will be converted to put these new plans into effect, as soon as peace has been declared.

Mr. F.

It seems to me that some of the achievements of the government during the war to date have been little short of miracles.

People said that the price ceiling was impossible. Nevertheless it has worked. The Commonwealth Air Training Plan, the raising of revenue both by taxation and borrowing, the friendly cooperation with the United States in regard to the Alaska Highway and other matters common to both countries, the organization of industry manufacturing munitions, the building up of the Canadian Navy, to mention only some of the government's achievements, have been successful to a degree we could not have imagined before the war.

The Liberal government has guided all these efforts and in the light of them, criticisms seem to me to be rather insignificant. But if criticisms have to be given, one would be that the government did not institute a system of conscription at the beginning of the war. That is the only fair way for any country to fight a war.

Another criticism would be the attitude of the government to the Province of Quebec -- the apparently excessive consideration given to French opinion.

Still another criticism is the crazy income tax form -- quite impossible for the average person to fill out correctly.

Mr. G.

The chief criticisms which I have heard about the Liberal government at Ottawa are as follows:

- (1) "Straddle-the-fence" Conscription policy.
- (2) Pandering to Quebec.
- (3) Ineffectual handling of manpower.
- (4) "Straddle-the-fence" attitude on labour policy.