

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): I think you mentioned, it, did you not?

Mr. HEAPS: I do not think so.

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): I think that in talking of unemployment insurance you did.

Mr. HEAPS: No.

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): I was not referring particularly to the hon. member's remarks, but time and again members in that corner of the House rise and ask questions of the Minister of Immigration in that connection; they seem to be afraid to let people come into this country.

Mr. IRVINE: Is there any relationship between immigration and unemployment in this country?

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): No doubt there is, but I point out that several hon. gentlemen in that corner came into this country as immigrants at one time, and they have not done too badly since coming to Canada. If we had had an immigration policy that excluded people from this country at the time our forefathers came here, when there was nothing to offer them in the way of employment—had they been shut out at that time Canada would never have become the country it is to-day, nor could it attain in the future to the country it is destined to be. People of the white race who are healthy should be allowed into Canada, any number of them. We can assimilate them. But one of our great troubles in Canada to-day in regard to immigration is the fact that practically every province in the Dominion is calling for more immigration but will not itself look after its unemployed. It wants to force the Dominion government to bring people here and when they are brought the first excuse advanced is that they are not the right class of people.

Mr. WOODSWORTH: Is the hon. gentleman aware that a very considerable number of the people that have to be supported in the city of Winnipeg come from the province of Saskatchewan after the harvest is over?

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): I think it is entirely unnecessary to reply to that question. As a matter of fact, Saskatchewan has always had less unemployment than any other province.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Yes, because the unemployed are getting out of the province.

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): The people spoken of as coming after the harvesting of the crops are not people from Saskatchewan.

Mr. WOODSWORTH: We have to support a number of them during the winter.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): What an argument!

Mr. ROSS (Moose Jaw): If we allowed the provinces of this Dominion to say what kind of people they wanted, and if we secured that class of people on the condition that after they had been brought in by the Dominion the provincial governments would look after them, we would not have any further cry for immigration from those provinces, and we would not have any cry on account of the kind of people that come here. The whole trouble is that the provincial governments like to put this matter up to the Dominion but will not do their own part in looking after those people after they come here.

As I said before I am in favour of this resolution going to committee, but I think the first thing that should be looked into is the condition to-day of the returned men, and of the wives and children of the soldiers who went overseas. That phase of the matter should first be investigated by the committee and then by this House, and if necessary we must spend the money needed in looking after these people.

Mr. E. J. GARLAND (Bow River): I do not intend to delay the House very long on this question. I simply want to congratulate the last speaker (Mr. Ross, Moose Jaw) on his intention to support the motion, and to suggest that it was with considerable regret that I listened to the ultra-Tory argument of the hon. member for North Battleford (Mr. McIntosh). It is very disappointing to me to find—

Mr. McINTOSH: May I ask my hon. friend a question? Is he an apostle in the matter of interpretation of Tory propaganda and arguments?

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): I have listened to Tory argument in this House for six years and am a fairly good judge of its character.

Mr. JACOBS: Will the hon. member say in what part of the House he heard it?

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): The hon. gentleman raises a point that is very well taken. It is difficult indeed after listening to the hon. member for North Battleford, and sometimes to the hon. member for Cartier (Mr. Jacobs), to tell what corner of the chamber should be assigned to them. When a member of the Liberal party, particularly one from the wide open spaces in the west on