

the country must pay, going about the streets taking salutes, while some of them are nothing more than filing clerks? They leave one branch of the government and go into the army; then they stay in offices here, fighting Hitler at home and drawing higher salaries. I think this bill is going to protect them instead of protecting those who are overseas serving in actual theatres of war.

Therefore I believe the first thing the government should do in this connection is to lay down a definite policy in connection with trade and commerce, not just socialism. What are we going to do about it? Are we going to do as the socialists say we should, and have everyone working for the government, with the farmers getting \$15 a week and all that sort of thing? Are we going to adopt a policy of that kind, or are we going back to the old days of protection; are we going to have a real trade and commerce, built on thrift and on sound economies, and all that sort of thing? We must read into this bill clauses 4 and 8 of the Atlantic charter, which proposes to abolish all tariffs on the continents of North and South America. This

charter has never been before this parliament, but it is binding upon us.

As I said yesterday, the Atlantic charter will interfere with and kill Bill No. 5 in the manner I have indicated, because it proposes the abolition of tariffs on the south and north American continents. Let the government, which never yet had a foreign policy but drift, give us a policy for trade and commerce, one which will stabilize and help us during the war and after it, and protect industry. Let it try to remove the artificial burdens put on by the dollar-a-year men, unnecessary in many cases. I know that some of those dollar-a-year men who were engaged in the clothing business never had any experience in any actual competitive business except as clerks and office boys. Yet they are imposing artificial burdens and barriers on the small independent retail storekeepers along some of the retail streets of Toronto, and putting those men out of business.

On motion of Mr. Roebuck the debate was adjourned.

At six o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.

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