

*Northern Ontario Pipe Line Corporation*

said this afternoon that short of public ownership there was no way of guaranteeing Canadian control, and I do not care whether it is Canadian control of the stock—

**Mr. Dickey:** Control of the shares.

**Mr. Coldwell:** I do not care whether it is control of the shares, because control of the shares will mean control of the company, if you will, or at least to some extent control of the company and there is no way of guaranteeing Canadian control of the shares.

**Mr. Dickey:** But that leaves control of the pipe line in Canada.

**Mr. Coldwell:** The hon. gentleman can make his speech tomorrow. He will have 20 minutes to make his speech tomorrow if closure goes through, and he can make it before one o'clock in the morning of the following day if he so desires.

**Mr. Knowles:** If he is still awake.

**Mr. Coldwell:** But I am citing the statement the Minister of Trade and Commerce made this afternoon. We want to see this gas in Alberta utilized. We do not want to see it go to waste. We want to see it available to the people of all Canada, but we want to see it made available in a manner that will ensure to the Canadian people control of this resource and control of the charges that will be made for this great resource. We do not want to see a large percentage of the gas go into the United States. We do not want to see it go to Chicago to be used by the steel mills of that city, we do not want to see it go to Minneapolis to be used by the mills there, we do not want to see it go anywhere else before the needs of the Canadian people and Canadian industries are fully met. That can only be assured to the extent that we are able to control this whole project through this elected House of Commons.

**Mr. Harris:** No; assured by control of export permits.

**Mr. Coldwell:** The hon. member says control of export permits. That is something a bit new.

**Mr. Harris:** No, no.

**Mr. Coldwell:** Wait a minute. We have been told time and time again that the economic feasibility of the Trans-Canada Pipe Lines plan depended on the federal power commission of the United States; not on the granting of export permits from Canada but on the granting of import permits by a United States authority. That is what we have been told.

**Mr. Pickersgill:** Both are necessary.

**Mr. Coldwell:** That is what we have been told. These people have said that they cannot go ahead with this plan unless they can get the right to import into the United States. This government have at no time, as far as I know, placed in jeopardy their right to export gas. Never, as far as I know, have they placed it in jeopardy. It is the United States federal power commission which is placing in jeopardy the importation of gas into that country. That is a far different thing.

Once again in that respect we are at the mercy of a foreign commission, no matter how friendly our American friends may be. I am not anti-American; I am pro-Canadian; and I do not want to see the control and usage of this great resource alienated by the federal government. Nor do I want to see it made possible to export this great resource by those powerful corporations, whether it be done incidentally by the federal government alone or in co-operation with the government of Ontario, which I think is equally blameworthy in agreeing to this proposition at the present time.

There is much one can say in connection with the proposition. As a matter of fact, as to this prairie section, the Minister of Trade and Commerce this afternoon told us that the company would have an investment of \$15 million of their own against some \$80 million in that section of the Canadian people's money and, if they proceed with the bridge across northern Ontario, \$118 million of the Canadian people's money. In addition, as has already been pointed out, there are 110 miles between Winnipeg and the Ontario boundary that are not accounted for. How are they going to build that? Who is going to pay for it? Once they get this line built to Winnipeg they will probably come to us again and say, "We have done this. We have an investment there. You would not expect us to lose that investment. We require some help or some support in order to complete that 110 miles between Winnipeg and the bridge you are going to build with the Ontario government". And I suppose that once again we shall be faced with a resolution of this description to guarantee their bonds or to lend them money or to do something for them that they will want at that particular time.

**Mr. Rowe:** And they will have to put closure on it.

**Mr. Coldwell:** And they will have to put closure on it if they want to get it through.

I now want to bring my remarks to a close, Mr. Chairman, but I want to repeat what I said at the very beginning, namely that this is a most outrageous proposal. It