

I would imagine the catering was done by the ladies' auxiliary of the C.C.F., judging by the menu. Here it is:

Kipperd salmon	Kipperd salmon tips
Kipperd tuna	Kipperd black cod
Salmon sides	Kipperd grey cod
Shrimpmeat	Kipperd snacks
Crabmeat	Kipperd herring
Bloaters	Kipperd sturgeon
Canned tuna	Pickled herring
Canned salmon	Canned anchovies
Kipperd shad	Smoked halibut
	Caviar

That is just the first part. Here was where the ladies of Qu'Appelle brought in the masterpiece:

Fruit Supreme
Clam Chowder
Spring Salmon Steaks Garni
Peach Charlotte
Coffee

Cigars

Cigarettes

Mr. BENTLEY: Any horsemeat?

Mr. CRUICKSHANK: We must keep our export trade somehow, even if we have to export some of that horsemeat in some of the boxes not yet made in those factories in Saskatchewan. I really think I am going to enjoy myself, because I always have a lot of fun with my good friends of the C.C.F. I have been listening to a certain man who, when it comes to looking after the welfare of the common man, has sacrificed far more than anyone else in that group over there. I refer to the hon. member for Moose Jaw (Mr. Thatcher). What he has done without and gone without for them!

So that there may be no misunderstanding about the matter, I want to put on record the position of my riding as I understand it in regard to price control. When I spoke over a year ago I was following the new sound, the speech by the hon. member for Stanstead (Mr. Hackett) in which he said, "Take the controls off butter. Let it go to a dollar a pound or more." Now we have another new voice across the way saying, "Put on price controls." I really feel sorry for these poor people from Toronto. In the middle of winter they are not allowed to get any crisp lettuce and celery from California. It is not fair to them. I wonder what the leader of the opposition (Mr. Bracken), representing some farmers, has to say about that. For over fifty years we have been working to build up our agricultural trade. Now we have a chance to do so, but poor Toronto cannot get its celery and crisp lettuce in January. Don't worry; I am coming to my own party after a while.

I made my statement on price controls over a year and a half ago. At that time I quoted the leader of the C.C.F. party, and said not only did I think many of the

controls that had been taken off would have to be put on again but that many more would have to be imposed. I believe that today. I am going to tell the present Minister of Finance (Mr. Abbott), who, I think, has one of the most brilliant young minds developed in many years, that, in my opinion he made a mistake. When he brought in his austerity program I believe his mistake was that the very same night he did not reimpose controls at least on basic foodstuffs. That should have been done. I believe more controls will have to be put on. With conditions such as we are living in now, which are surely emergent conditions, no man in this house can say it will not be necessary to resume the payment of certain subsidies. If there is a different program that will solve the problem I should like some hon. member to tell me what it is. I do not know.

Mr. MacINNIS: Investigation.

Mr. CRUICKSHANK: I am coming to that. In my opinion, it will be necessary to resume certain subsidies. Let me give an instance. The price of feed for poultry has gone up fifty per cent in less than a month, while in the same period of time our eggs have gone down twenty-five per cent. You cannot possibly produce under those conditions. From the opposition we have heard a lot about the high cost of living, the cost of butter and other farm products, but very little has been said about the rising cost of farmers' production. Of course I would not expect that from Rosedale, because I suppose they hardly know what a cow looks like there, though I have an idea what they may mistake for a cow. In my riding—and I believe I speak for every person in it—we do not like the idea of controls, but we do not know of any better solution at the present time. We do know the cost of living has gone up so much that certain price controls must be reimposed. We do not know of any other solution at the present time than the reimposition of controls and the resumption of subsidies.

Mr. KUHL: How about reducing taxes instead?

Mr. CRUICKSHANK: I heard the junior Conservative member for Jasper-Edson (Mr. Kuhl) say today exactly what the Prime Minister said, that this is a fact-finding committee, not a policy-making body.

Mr. KUHL: What has that to do with the question?