

This past record is the best assurance any Canadian has that under Liberal governments will be found our best guarantee of continued progress towards social justice and prosperity for all parts of this country and for all classes of our people. Let us for a moment set the social security platforms of the C.C.F. and Tory parties against the sane and responsible measures proposed by the Liberal Party. On the one hand, we find extravagant proposals for vast increases in government expenditure closely combined with rash promises of tax reductions, on the other. The platform of the Progressive Conservative Party, for example, commits this country to immediate expenditures of from anywhere from one-quarter to three-quarters of a billion dollars a year. The same platform also speaks airily of ruthless cuts in taxation.

One item alone in the platform of the C.C.F. Party proposes an immediate increase in federal expenditures and provincial expenditures of approximately \$450,000,000 a year. This Party also promises substantial cuts in taxation. So much for political fantasy.

To return to practical and responsible proposals, the Liberal Party clearly recognizes that social security for the people comes from the people. You get what you pay for. To provide for social security, the first endeavour of Liberal governments has been to increase the efficiency and productivity of our system and to provide the maximum of opportunity for individual enterprise, while defining its boundaries of responsibility. The Liberal Party promises nothing it cannot perform. After all, it is the party in power. Every promise it makes it has to carry out. But for parties in opposition, promising is an old, old story -- as long as parties stand as little chance of getting into power as the Tories or C.C.F., they need not worry very much whether their promises are sound or sensible, or where the money is coming from.

Certainly, if words were deeds, no one in this country would have advanced social justice as eloquently as the Hon. Leader of the Progressive-Conservative Party. If platitudes and promises could "stand-in" for performance, no one could match his act as

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