

she were the England of old; the common market would be knocking at England's door asking to share England's wealth and to learn England's know-how. Every industrial nation of the world copied England when England was free, when its people believed in free trade, productivity, hard work, thrift, honesty—all virtues that are "square." I have even heard people in Canada suggest that we should be willing to cut off ties with the old country, and by "the old country" I am talking about the country that has shown the world leadership. I could almost go along with cutting ties with Wilson's England, because Wilson cut off common sense. But there is hope there today for a man who calls a spade a spade.

I am no racist, but in South Africa it is easy for Fabian socialists to scream racism and murder. But they say nothing about the domination of the Indian Ocean by Russia. This is the real issue in that part of the world. However, I will say no more about that. I do not condone South Africa's treatment of the blacks. A lot of wealth is dug out of the mines by black slave labour. Are the Fabian socialists willing to serve in our armed forces, in our navy, in our air force, in our army?

• (8:50 p.m.)

An hon. Member: Are we going to war?

Mr. Bigg: We might.

Mr. Nielsen: We did once, and the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) did not.

Mr. Bigg: I went to war once. Perhaps I was a fool, but I don't think so. I will go again for the same purpose, and that purpose is not to save all the bourgeois or the rich of America. It is to try to keep Canada strong, safe and free. For this I would be a fool again, if indeed I was a fool once. I would rather be a magnificent fool than a despicable coward. We are not talking about defence; we are talking about the free enterprise development of Canada without which we cannot survive. We are alone. We are no longer a bridge between prosperous England and the prosperous United States. We are fighting for existence. So is England, because she listened to Wilson. The United States has her hands full because the world is not grateful for what she has done, no matter what her mistakes may have been. We are alone, like it or not.

I am not against Red Russia or China. I am not against selling them wheat. Hungry people have to eat. Are we going to put all the means of production in Canada in the hands of the bureaucracy?

Mr. Nielsen: Of this government.

Mr. Bigg: Of any government? Even if we had our 208 members back, or if we had 248 or 258 members I would vote the same way. I would not want a Tory bureaucracy to run Canada any more than I want a Liberal bureaucracy to run it.

Mr. Nielsen: As it is doing.

Mr. Bigg: As it is. If any cabinet minister in our party were to carve out a \$40,000 a year job for himself, I would oppose it; I would leave this party. Why don't you

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leave yours? My hon. friend talks about leadership. Let him have the courage to stand up and say he defies this heartless, arrogant government. He would not be a party of one for long; he would have two in his party.

Mr. Francis: He did.

Mr. Bigg: And don't think for a minute that he does not have the admiration of the Canadian people, whether they agree with him or not. He has character, he has courage—and he did not have to ruin the armed forces before he did it. I am looking for leadership.

Mr. Mahoney: I bet you are.

Mr. Bigg: But not to lead this party. I am looking for the leadership of other people whom I can follow. I am quite happy that our leader is not trying to run a cold-blooded dictatorship in this country, and I am happy that there are no mandarins sitting in our party. There have been times when I thought there might have been people in my party who were going too far to the left. You can ask any of them if they know where I stand. They know, Mr. Speaker.

In the few minutes at my disposal I am trying to make a plea for good old free enterprise, ordinary free enterprise without compulsion, without any nonsense, without any flag-waving or exaggeration of any kind. I have seen the affluence in North America, particularly in the northern end of North America, which has been built on the free enterprise principle. I am afraid that if the government takes over the means of production, as outlined in the Winnipeg manifesto, the Regina manifesto and all the white papers we have had in the last five years, the free enterprise way of life which I am used to and which I think will still work, will be gone. I may be a minority of one, but I do not think so.

I have heard my colleague from the Yukon outline this matter beyond question. He comes from that part of the country. He knows what the people up there want, and I go along with him. I still believe that the people of Canada have the courage, the brains and the know-how to run their own affairs. We do not need a paternalistic government. We need leadership. We need help to create an atmosphere in which free enterprise can operate. Cut taxes, improve transportation, improve education, but by all means stop telling our young people, our old people and everybody else that they are incapable of earning a living without mamma government holding their hand, because when mamma government is holding your hand with one hand, she is into your pocket with the other.

I am willing to take the chance to work. Pay me decently for what I do and I am quite content to look after myself from the cradle to the grave. Don't get me wrong, Mr. Speaker. I am not against social justice. I am not against keeping the old people who built this country, but I am against keeping our young people in ignorance of how this country was built.

There is only one way to share wealth, and that is to dig it out of the ground, to hue it out of the mines and cut it out of the bush. We must work for it. If I did as little work as some people in this country, I would not be