

Mr. ISNOR: Again I agree with my hon. friend, that they make among the best shoes sold in Canada.

Mr. BROWN: The manager of the Hart Shoe Company is from Windsor, Ontario.

Mr. CASE: Windsor; where is that? It begins with "wind" and ends with "sor".

Mr. ISNOR: I have no objection to the maritime provinces making use of some good products from Ontario, even if it includes the manager of a factory.

Then, we have clothing firms in Nova Scotia which formerly sold "A.P.H." trousers right through to Vancouver, and are still doing a good business. So I say things are not too bad. While they are not as good as we would like them to be, certainly they are not in such a blue and depressed condition as the hon. member for Cape Breton South would have us believe. I have been in business for many long years, and I have never found it helpful to talk about the rainy days and poor business. Rather I look upon the good days. And when I come in after a good day I say to my clerks, "I congratulate you; that was a worth-while day you had yesterday. Just see if you can do better tomorrow." We have kept on building and building, not with over-optimism but always with an optimistic view of things. I feel, if the hon. member for Cape Breton South would join some of the other members from Nova Scotia and the other maritime provinces, and do a little more boosting and less knocking, it would be better.

Mr. GILLIS: Before the hon. member sits down—and I think he is going to sit down soon—

Mr. ISNOR: No.

Mr. GILLIS:—would he answer a question?

An hon. MEMBER: If it is a sensible one. Mr. ISNOR: Go ahead and ask it.

Mr. GILLIS: I raised four points tonight, and asked for four small plants and factories which are waiting to operate down there.

Mr. ISNOR: I thought the hon. member was going to ask a question. He is starting to enumerate some points.

Mr. GILLIS: Is the hon. member in favour of granting the quotas and the necessary permits to get those four small plants operating?

An hon. MEMBER: No.

Mr. ISNOR: Who said, "No"?

Mr. GILLIS: Are you trying to say there is no need for them?

[Mr. Brooks.]

Mr. GILLIS: We have been waiting for a year and a half.

Mr. ISNOR: The other day the hon. member made quite a case about pork and beans, and he used the chicken tin or can as an illustration. I think it is recognized by the trade throughout the whole of Canada that it is not economically sound, that it is not good business, and that one cannot possibly build for the future on the basis of a seven-ounce tin or can.

Mr. GILLIS: That is free enterprise.

Mr. ISNOR: I believe that is recognized, and it is because of that they use the twenty-ounce can. Inexperienced as he is, the hon. member for Cape Breton South must at least take that for granted, because that is a reason given by the trade, and a well-established practice. We were in somewhat the same position in Halifax, although in some respects it was more favourable, so far as beans are concerned. Some years ago one of our large concerns had to go out of business because they were unable to procure tins. But of course they would not have used those small seven-ounce tins, even if they could have procured them. It would not have been sound business to do so.

The hon. member asked whether I am in favour of Maclean Brothers case for an extra sugar quota. One must consider the necessity of taking sugar away from consumers who want their full quota. The decision had to be made as to whether Maclean Brothers should have a larger quota of sugar, or more than someone else who was serving the public, thereby taking the quota away from the individual consumer and giving it to Maclean Brothers. Surely it is a matter of judgment. If they could have been given more sugar, without its being taken away from others, then I would have been with the hon. member in advocating that Maclean Brothers be given the quota to allow them to proceed.

The second case to which the hon. member referred was somewhat similar, having to do with a sugar quota.

Mr. GILLIS: It was molasses in one instance and sugar in another.

Mr. ISNOR: They are both on quota. The hon. member is in favour of controls, and I am in favour of a certain degree of controls, as has been stated this evening. I was in favour