

*Interim Supply*

leaving the majority of individuals in poverty and insecurity.

Heads of families and single persons get equal pay for equal work.

Mothers get no salary for their work as a mother within the family.

Children and students cost a lot of money, and yet they get no personal salary in our present economic structure.

Taxes on company benefits and capital are not as heavy as in the case of private individuals.

If, to figure out economic values, the needs of the human person were taken into account, without overlooking normal capital return for our institutions, everything would become clear and easy in the making up of the national budget of the Minister of Finance (Mr. Gordon), because a national budget is made up of revenues, expenditures and surpluses, just like the budget of any company, any institution, any family, any individual human person.

And why not start with the easiest step in this new orientation of federal, national, provincial, municipal, family and personal administration.

You can see that we always have to come back to the human person. Therefore, let us settle once and for all the budget of the human person, which is the basic unit of the country's economy.

Mr. Chairman, that administration formula should apply everywhere. It is simple and recognized by everybody.

Revenues, expenditures and profits: that is why our 19,300,000 citizens should be assured of their personal subsistence right, guaranteeing each Canadian citizen a minimum subsistence revenue of \$1 per day for each child under 16 years of age, \$2 per day for each student of 16 years of age and over, \$3 per day for each adult dependant, without revenue.

I would ask, Mr. Chairman, that I be permitted to table a more detailed statement—so that I would not have to read it into the record, which would be rather long—which is made up only of explanatory figures.

However, further studies should be made to complete this work, this draft of an administration program based on the needs of a human being while taking into account capital returns of institutions.

I am prepared to briefly expound my argument to the ministers of this government before the Canada pension plan bill is submitted to the House of Commons.

I am very keen on it, because a personal vital right program would, in itself, be suffi-

cient to fulfil the whole unemployment insurance program and that of personal pensions of all Canadian citizens, whatever their age or condition.

I respectfully submit it to you and I ask you to study it in the light of the true interest you show toward the solution of the monetary, economic and political difficulties which affect every person, every citizen of this country.

The economic justice of this nation ranks first among any justice, because it affects the *primo vivere* of every individual within the regular framework of his daily life, of his daily earnings.

Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Justice, minister of national, social, family and personal finance, it is up to you to act.

Priority of the individual over the institution: Wealthy, powerful and learned citizens of Canada, do you admit that this country is composed of units—19,300,000 human beings?

Wealthy, powerful and learned citizens of Canada, what use is being made of all our talents, our wealth, our authority?

Wealthy, powerful and learned citizens of Canada, are we thinking only about ourselves, our institutions, or about the 19,300,000 persons who are Canada?

A country does not exist; only individuals have life. A government does not exist. A political party does not exist. A ministry does not exist. Only human beings exist and are responsible or are not responsible.

The Prime Minister (Mr. Pearson) is the one responsible before the 19,300,000 Canadian citizens.

The Minister of Justice (Mr. Favreau) is responsible for the administration of justice. Economic justice is the most important of any justice, because it affects the *primo vivere* of the 19,300,000 citizens of this country within the practical frameworks of life, of daily earnings.

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Gordon) is responsible for the finances of the 19,300,000 citizens of this country, in the 4,700,000 families of one or more human beings, who have a body and a mind, who have physical, intellectual and spiritual needs which are all paid for in money and which are produced by 7,000,000 working adults who are the only ones to draw revenues through their work and their capital.

The Minister of Industry is responsible.

The Minister of Agriculture is responsible.

The minister of commerce is responsible.

The Minister of Labour is responsible.