

Mr. COLDWELL: —and to vote also against the motion for the adoption of the address.

Mr. MACKENZIE: Not so good.

Mr. COLDWELL: We are going to do so because, if one reads the Progressive Conservative amendment, as amended by the Social Credit party, he will find that it reads this way, and this has not yet been put on the record in full:

We respectfully submit to Your Excellency that Your Excellency's advisers have:

(a) failed to demobilize our armed forces on a fair basis and, in particular, have failed to prevent serious disadvantage to overseas service personnel;

(b) failed to provide a speedy and effective plan of reconversion from war to peace, and failed in particular to join in partnership with labour and industry in devising a workable scheme to provide jobs, with fair wages, for discharged service personnel and war workers;

(c) failed to take adequate and timely action to meet the ever-mounting housing crisis.

And then, to this the social credit sub-amendment is attached, and would therefore continue:

(d) failed to meet the needs of Canada for a prosperous peace and in particular, to provide a means of ensuring that the national production shall be kept at a sufficiently high level to provide every Canadian with a standard of living commensurate with Canada's ability to produce;

(e) failed to provide this country with an effective and scientific financial policy for distributing to all Canadians their fair share of the national production without increasing the burden of taxation or the national debt.

Now, as we see it, both criticize the government for a series of failures. The word "failed" appears a number of times in both the amendment and the subamendment. But neither the amendment nor the subamendment contains any understandable suggestions to meet those failures. And none of the speeches in support of the amendment or subamendment have offered the government any effective suggestions to meet the criticisms which they both make.

Our subamendment, which I am not discussing, because it was defeated, did that. We suggested that certain fundamental changes must be made, and offered to the house nine different proposals which we believed would assist in meeting the situation. In other words, we tried to place before the house some suggestions and proposals to meet the problems facing us.

The subamendment, which will be dealt with first this evening, among other things condemns the government for failing to provide the country with a scientific and effective financial policy. What do my hon.

[Mr. Mackenzie.]

friends to the left mean by that? What do they actually suggest? In none of their speeches can I find an answer to that question. For example, last week when the hon. member for Jasper-Edson (Mr. Kuhl) was speaking he was interrupted by one of the hon. members opposite. I noticed that the hon. member for Lethbridge (Mr. Blackmore) and the hon. member for Peace River (Mr. Low) both made answer. The hon. member for Lethbridge said, "That is the thing you have to learn", and the hon. member for Peace River said, "Just keep your ears open, and you will hear." These are the replies to similar questions we all invariably receive from hon. members sitting immediately to my left.

Since voting for the subamendment and the amendment merely involves supporting the destructive criticisms of the two parties who have made them, we do not intend to support mere criticism without some constructive suggestions to meet the criticisms thus made. Moreover, to vote with either of the two parties would mean that we have confidence in them and in their proposals, proposals which have not been placed before the house.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the C.C.F. party in the house I wish to say before the vote is taken that we intend to vote against the subamendment and against the amendment for the reasons I have given, and of course to vote against the main motion because we endeavoured to amend it and because we believe it to be inadequate as it stands, and therefore insufficient to meet the situation which has developed in this country. I am going to leave it at that.

Amendment to the amendment (Mr. Hansell) negatived.

The house divided on the amendment (Mr. Bracken) which was negatived on the following division:

#### YEAS

#### Messrs:

Adamson	Desmond
Aylesworth	Diefenbaker
Barrett	Drope
Black (Yukon)	Fleming
Blair	Fraser
Boucher	Fulton
Bracken	Robinson (Bruce)
Bradshaw	Ross (St. Paul's)
Brooks	Ross (Souris)
Bruce	Senn
Cardiff	Smith (Calgary West)
Case	Stephenson
Casselman	Graydon
Charlton	Green
Church	Hackett
Cockram	Harkness
Coyne	Harris (Danforth)
Daniel	Hatfield