

And Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had addressed the Honourable the Deputy Governor General as follows:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

“The Commons of Canada have voted Supplies required to enable the government to defray certain expenses of the public service.

“In the name of the Commons, I present to Your Honour the following Bill:

“An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending the 31st March, 1957”.

“To which Bill, I humbly request Your Honour’s Assent”.

Whereupon, the Clerk of the Senate, by Command of the Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, did say:

“In Her Majesty’s name, the Honourable the Deputy Governor General thanks Her Loyal Subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill”.

Debate was resumed on the proposed motion of Mr. Harris,—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to resolve itself again into Committee of Ways and Means.

And on the proposed motion of Mr. Macdonnell, seconded by Mr. Churchill, in amendment thereto,—That all the words after “That” to the end of the question be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

“this House regrets that the economic policy of the government fails, despite a very large surplus, to meet the needs of the Canadian people and in particular

- (a) does not provide adequately for old age and other pensioners;
- (b) does not propose a reduction in the personal income tax;
- (c) does not assure to the provinces a larger share of the revenues from federal-provincial fields of taxation; and
- (d) ignores the problems and needs of agriculture.”

And on the proposed motion of Mr. Cameron (Nanaimo), seconded by Mr. Knowles, in amendment to the said proposed amendment,—That the amendment be amended by changing the semicolon at the end of subparagraph (a) thereof to a comma, and by adding immediately thereafter the following words:

“by increasing the old age pension to an amount commensurate with the increase in the gross national product since 1949, which would call for a pension of approximately \$75 a month;”.

And the Debate continuing; at 9.45 o’clock p.m., Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings pursuant to Standing Order 58(4);

And the question being put on the said proposed amendment to the proposed amendment; it was negatived on the following division: