

*Economic Conditions*

Canadian dollar is sinking and interest rates are rising. However, that was not right. We are paying 25 per cent on our imported oil, and this will go up to 40 per cent, involving a cost of billions of dollars. The Prime Minister will do that for foreigners, but not for Canadians. I will speak about that later. It is all a plan by the Prime Minister. It is not happening by chance at all.

The second item was price. Premier Lougheed said they would finance the infrastructure of the oil plants up to \$7 billion and employ people from all over Canada. He said they would buy trucks from Ontario, furniture from Quebec, and something else from the maritimes. He further said they would provide \$2 billion, not out of federal money but Alberta money, to improve rail facilities in western Canada. The Prime Minister was not interested in that.

Premier Lougheed said they would provide equity and debt financing for the Q & M pipeline so that maritimers could switch from other fuels to natural gas. You would expect the Prime Minister to accept that. There is trouble financing the Q & M pipeline, but the Prime Minister would not go for that.

There was another point in the structure, an incentive choice east of the Alberta border. The Alberta government agreed to pay the cost of transporting the gas from Montreal to Quebec City, the total cost. However, the federal government said it would not share. All of this was offered to the Government of Canada.

The next offer was that there would be no increase in the royalty on the Gold Lake project. This meant that, as the world price went up, the Canadian government would have a lot of margin to get extra revenue, leaving room for the profits to be taxed. Premier Lougheed offered to do all of this for Canada, and the Prime Minister said, no deal. The Liberal members should ask their Prime Minister why he would not accept that offer. He tries to pretend to the people of Canada that Alberta does not want to deal. What an outfit trying to lead the Canadian people astray in that way!

I want to deal with another matter. What is the root of the problem? What is in the mind of the Prime Minister? I will tell you what is on his mind. First, he is leading Liberal MPs down the garden path for the ultimate kill. He is doing his utmost to establish a socialist republic in this country and the Liberal members follow him blindly. If he whistles, they jump. If he says jump, they say how high. They do not ask why. Those free enterprisers will not wake up before it is too late.

Second, they wonder why they have no seats west of Manitoba. It is because no one can believe the Prime Minister. He has fooled the people so many times, they can no longer believe him. How can you believe a man who, during the last war, pretended he was going to be a priest in order to avoid military service and fight against totalitarianism? That is what our Prime Minister did. Who would believe a man who could do a thing like that? Step by step he is leading us into a great socialist state.

What is the next thing he is going to do? He does not want an agreement. He is deliberately taking over the natural

resources of Alberta. He told the people of Ontario that they own the resources, the oil and gas, of Alberta, but he did not tell the people of Alberta that they own the gold of Ontario. He is trying to prepare people, and the Liberals say "yes, yes." What about his charter of rights? He left ownership out. That is one of the first steps toward a totalitarian state; do not own any property. Then you have the people right under your thumb because you own the land. He leaves it out of the charter and then he talks about Canadianization. What a joker! Canadianization; he is no more for Canadianization than is the man in the moon. What he means is nationalization.

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If it is Canadianization, the people of Canada would have something. But, no, he takes Petro-Canada which is going to borrow the money from the United States, borrow American money to buy out American companies so they belong to the state. That is not Canadianization, that is nationalization. This is all heading toward a great socialized state. Yes, sir; he is discouraging private enterprise. In every possible way he is discouraging private enterprise. He is cutting down on our armed forces leaving us without adequate protection.

He brings in gun laws so people will not have any guns and so that people who like guns and like to hunt cannot even have a gun any more. They are treated like criminals.

He is now trying to impoverish the provinces, to make them dependent on the federal government. The government wants more and more so the provinces will have to come with their hats in hand and beg. When you are hungry you will give up your security. Look around the world. The people who lost their security are those who were left hungry. They finally got so hungry they gave up their security for food. Oh, yes, I can see what the Prime Minister is trying to do.

In respect of the export tax, the government is trying to fool the people too. The government has said it is not going to levy that any more. The government is going to give Alberta, B.C. and Saskatchewan a concession. Some concession! This government has simply changed the name. Who pays for it? The minister stood in this House and said "Well, we are going to have the American people pay it." What nonsense. How immature do the Liberals think the people of this country are? The Canadian people will pay it. The Americans will not pay one dime. It will come out of the Canadians' share. The Liberals say "Yes, yes," in their caucus; "yes, Mr. MacEachen, Mr. Trudeau says so, so that is okay. That is okay. Tax the Canadians." They know very well the Americans are not going to pay one cent. This is all in the great plan.

Mr. Trudeau would like to make this country a republic. Maybe he would like to make it a French republic. He wants to make it a republic because he turned the French against the English right across the country. He has been a disgrace to the Canadians of French origin because the French people and the Canadian people got along fine. There was no division among us up until 1967 when Mr. Trudeau came on the scene. He divided the country between the French and the English. Now