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keg, but the price after control was removed, was \$12. a keg.

In the same way, all of us have been struck how canned goods, other foods, articles of clothing and household items suddenly became plentiful a few days ago, at exorbitant prices and only a few weeks ago they were hard to find.

Here, then, is your answer. The only people who wanted price controls removed are those who make profits out of high prices. They are the ones to whom the government listened -- it simply ignored the wishes of two thirds of the Canadian people.

To-day, because it is good politics, Conservatives and Social Crediters are making speeches about the rising cost of living. But it's important to remember that they demanded the removal of price control immediately the war ended. All through the parliamentary sessions of 1946 and 1947, Mr. Bracken and Mr. Low criticized the government for not dropping price controls earlier. Thus, Liberals, Conservatives, Social Crediters -- all the parties defending the rights of the profiteer -- came together and are equally responsible for reducing the living standards of the Canadian people.

The CCF has stood steadfast and alone for the retention of just price controls and of subsidies, in order to keep living costs down and, at the same time, provide the Canadian farmer with the price and income to which he is entitled.

Why does the CCF stand out so clearly on this issue, as indeed, on many others? Because the local CCF organizations dotting the whole country and the thousands of members in every walk of life -- they make CCF policy. Every year provincially, and every two years nationally, CCF leaders, whether in power or in opposition, must give an account of their stewardship to a CCF convention, and stand for re-election. Whether it's CCF Premier Douglas of Saskatchewan, or national CCF leader, Mr. Coldwell, or any other provincial or federal officer of the party -- all of us are responsible to and in daily contact with the CCF membership and organizations across the country.

I venture to say that Canada has never had anything approaching this for genuine democracy. I venture to insist that there is not another political party in this country which gives the ordinary men and women half as much opportunity to control their own destiny as does the CCF.