

Mr. GILLIS: In my opinion the Minister of Pensions and National Health, under the present circumstances, has about as much say in making the laws of this country as I have. I see the laws of this country being made to-day by controls set up on the outside, and who are in on these controls? Neither the Minister of Pensions and National Health nor anyone else on that side of the house is writing these orders in council; they could not do it. They are being turned out somewhere on a mimeograph, and who are in on these controls? Well, there is Canada Packers, there is International Nickel, there is Dominion Iron, Steel and Coal, there are Simpson's and Eaton's, and all the big monopolies of this country in on the controls. There is no common, ordinary representative of the people, expressing the viewpoint of the great majority of the people, who has anything to do with the turning out of these orders in council.

I am not quarrelling with the controls; I realize that a certain amount of control is necessary in war time. I am quarrelling with who are controlling, what they are controlling for, where they are going and where we are going to wind up. The same people are in complete control to-day who brought about the situation which led to what we have over in Europe at the present time, with the same short-sightedness, selfishness, and fear of social changes. Therefore we have the present situation, and they are in there taking no account of the common ordinary people of this country, of their needs, their hopes or their aspirations. Some hon. members opposite tell us that we are never going back to what we had when this war broke out, and I agree with that statement. But they stop there; they do not tell us what we are going to have when the war is over.

Mr. REID: No man can tell you that.

Mr. GILLIS: I can tell you; it will be what we have now. We have complete regimentation, and that regimentation is going to remain.

Mr. FULFORD: What does the C.C.F. advocate but absolute regimentation?

Mr. BLACKMORE: Just listen and you will find out.

Mr. FULFORD: I have listened to that for years.

Mr. GILLIS: The C.C.F. advocates equal representation on these controls. That is the answer, plain and simple. If you take Dominion Iron, Steel and Coal and give them charge of the fuel control board and the making of your fuel control policy, then take the man who digs the coal, the man who

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manages the mine, the man who negotiates contracts for the people who mine the coal, and give them equal representation on that board, as they do in Britain.

Mr. MITCHELL: Have we not done that here?

Mr. GILLIS: We certainly have not done it here.

Mr. COLDWELL: It is the last thing in the world the Department of Labour has done.

Mr. GILLIS: And if Canada Packers have their representatives writing orders in council in connection with their own particular interests, take in some of the men in the plants, who may have equally good ideas about production; take in some of your farmers, directly from the farms. These are the things to do. We are not quarrelling with the controls, but we want representation on those controls, representation by the man who produces on the land and in industry. What is wrong is that there is no such representation. That is a good example of statism, but that is not what we are advocating. There is no one in Canada to-day fighting harder against that sort of thing than we are. We want an equal share of these controls. That is the only thing necessary.

I leave these thoughts with my hon. friends to my right, because as the situation is to-day there is absolutely no difference between the two old parties. One is out; the other is in. If one is not fooling the people successfully, there is an ace in the hole; the money will be sent behind the other party. They* will put in a Mr. Bennett or a Mr. Graydon or someone else who will carry on the little show, and the opposition will cross to the other side. Then the other party will say, "Well, now we are out, but we are going to get in again. We will wait until those fellows fall down on the job and then go in again." There is absolutely no basic difference between them; fundamentally they are exactly the same and will be as long as we have an economic dictatorship in this country, as we have now and as we have had all during my lifetime, with control of the resources of the country in the hands of one small group. By virtue of the money it controls and the industry it controls that small group can swing elections to suit itself, can bring on depressions when it sees fit. If you want to be progressive you must get over here and join this party; you must accept a programme that means social change. At present there is no change. It is immaterial to me which party sits on either side of the house;