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Note for SPEECH ON ADDRESS:

Children's or family allowances are to domestic affairs what mutual aid is to national affairs.

Canada has voted Two Billion dollars for purposes of mutual aid. This money goes to other nations to help them win the war, and so to protect Canada's national existence.

The monies thus used have, however, served another purpose. They have enabled Canada to maintain total employment, fulfil her obligations of a total war effort, thereby giving employment to large numbers of persons who, in turn, on receipt of wages, etc. have created still further demands.

Family allowances are a form of mutual aid.

An aid not so much to maintain the existence of the nation asto assist in maintaining the lives of its people.

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A nation depending on the lives of its people for its future.

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