

*Supply—Agriculture*

**Mr. Fisher:** This is in the nation's interest.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Does the hon. member have unanimous consent of the committee to proceed?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

(Translation):

**Mr. Dumont:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I was saying that the Lord who wanted such bounty to exist thought that men were bright enough to set up a monetary system to channel that bounty toward those who need it; otherwise, he would have caused money to grow in the fields and this would have been a means of distributing the abundance to those in need. I am talking about the wheat which brings an abundant life.

The same thing could be said about trees, which are turned into houses, or about water which produces electrical power. Thus only could we, to the advantage of each and every individual, enjoy the requested abundance, thus only could we share our daily bread with those who are hungry, and therefore thus only could we stop discriminating against a fellow human made of bone and sinew. Thus only could we see the light of dawn and salvation ahead of us.

Members of the House of Commons, let us reply to those who want birth control. Let us assure economic prices to the family farm unit, and we shall see farm production triple two years hence. Our governments at present have a sacred fear of the rising tide of production of some goods which are the very basis of life.

The perennial question is: "Where will the money come from?" And this is the reason why we, Social Crediters, say that money should not be the guiding principle of our lives. Man must put the dollar to his service. Thanks to the magnificent St. Lawrence river, which will bring us western wheat, we, eastern farmers, shall find it possible to build up family production units which will ship back by the same means of communication our production to those who are hungry.

Can we believe the Liberals would have done better if they had people with knowledge in farming, people like Jean-Baptiste Lemoyne? Well, I suggest that that Liberal farmer, at the head of a farmers' union numbering 40,000 members, did not succeed in removing poverty because he did not want to open his eyes on the fate of so many consumers in the world, not to speak of our Canadian consumers who are ill-fed on account of our excessive unemployment today. That former president of the Catholic

Farmers' Union had better turn to Social Credit for in the Liberal party he will find nothing but political fraud and he will be the first to be greatly disappointed; honest as I know him to be, he should become a member of the Social Credit party and help us feed humanity.

Let us restore to our people the hope they had in the past of providing foodstuffs for all mankind by allowing economic prices on the family farm as conceived by our forebears. This will only be possible if we compare the cost of a government experimental farm, which would enable our farmers to live happy in their respective surroundings. It will only be possible when we have a monetary reform that will put money back again at the service of man. That is why we, on this side of the house, are asking society to grant us credit for the goods produced and we believe in only one economic truth, Social Credit.

At the present time, farm credit merely offers the possibility of going into debt as long as we shall not be able to lower the price of grain for eastern farmers, while allowing western farmers to make some profits. That is the only solution, because I never saw a shoe salesman selling shoes at less than cost price. Have you ever seen a business operating for 18 years while selling its goods at less than cost price?

Yes, my friends, since 1945, on the day dealers realized that they would receive less subsidies because the war was over, on that day Quebec farmers, after having helped to win the war through their products, were left to their fate and agriculture has known since those years, even under the Liberals, a considerable set-back, and today, through farm loans, you offer a straw to save the man who is drowning.

I told you the truth the other day, Mr. Minister, when I asked for grain elevators at the existing wharves, and even if half-measures are applied today, you will have to apply some day the suggestions from this corner of the house to establish order where there is disorder, because it is absolutely necessary to eliminate excessive profits taken by traders, to enable eastern farmers to buy their feed grain at \$1 less per 100 pounds. That is the solution of the problem, because at present western and eastern farmers are being cheated, and we must remain masters of our farm heritage.