

*may I remind honorable members that*  
~~But in conclusion I must return again to the main purpose underlining our~~  
meat rationing policy and that is, to ~~play our reasonable proper and honourable~~  
part in an attempt to avert or moderate one of the greatest impending human  
tragedies of all times.

*I have much in mind*  
~~While I was in the United Kingdom there took place a very remarkable~~  
and moving debate in the ~~United Kingdom/~~ *House of Commons*. The people of the United  
Kingdom have gone through six ~~long~~ *long* years of meagre and monotonous diet and  
~~there~~ *their* rations this coming winter will be as low or lower than they have been  
at any time since the outbreak of war. Yet four weeks ago members of all  
parties and all sections of the ~~United Kingdom House,~~ *British House of Commons*, in the course of that  
debate, were found urging the government not only to use its influence to secure  
~~a~~ *the* maintenance and, if possible, an increase in food exports from North America  
~~and the continent of Europe but were also urging the government, if necessary,~~  
still further to deplete its ~~stocks~~ *own* and even reduce the rations in order to  
avert or lessen the extent of the ~~tragic~~ *appalling* tragedy that is unfolding in Europe  
to-day. ~~This~~ *the* government feels that it has the ~~overwhelming~~ *strong* support of all groups

~~in this House and all sections of the Canadian people in maintaining those~~  
policies which will make it possible ~~for us~~ *(for us)* to continue ~~our best endeavours to~~  
~~do our fair share in~~ *meeting* the ~~situation I have outlined.~~ *which has brought us to this*  
~~It is therefore the Government's intention to continue meat rationing~~  
~~in full effect until such time as the food prospects in Europe show some signs~~  
~~of material improvement.~~ *In the light of these existing conditions, and taking*

*the*  
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*W.L.M. King*  
*Internal circulation*  
*What will be done as it may be possible in the future*