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coloured people of South Africa being driven in pure desperation to blood baths which have spread right across a whole continent, and which in fact could spread right across the world. We may find a situation where this policy of apartheid will spread and become a war between the races.

If we stop to look at the possible reason behind what happened, Mr. Chairman, I think we will find it is really based on a false premise. I think the reason the situation came about is due to the fear of the white people that if the coloured people are given equal representation in a place where they outnumber the whites there is a danger of their treating the whites in turn as the whites have treated them in the past. Again, I think if we look back in history we will find that there is no basis for such fears. Only the white race down through the years seems to have been cursed with this rapacious greed for wealth and power. The red people of this country did not have it; at least, they did not until we taught it to them. The brown people of the West Indies and the Far East did not have it until we brought it to them. The black people of Africa did not have it. It would appear that the white race is the only race that seems to be cursed with whatever it is that seems to bring about this war between races.

I should like to impress upon the government and the Prime Minister that if we do not speak up against this sort of thing we will be seen in the eyes of all coloured peoples of the world as condoning by our silence what happened the other day. I cannot recall any injustices in our history, Mr. Chairman, which were corrected unless somebody spoke out against them and did something. I say that if we do not speak out against this injustice we will stand condemned in the eyes of all the coloured people in the world.

Motion agreed to.

Resolution reported and concurred in.

WAYS AND MEANS

INTERIM SUPPLY

Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee of ways and means.

Motion agreed to and the house went into committee, Mr. Flynn in the chair,

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton) moved:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1961, the sum of \$603,488,902.52 be granted out of the consolidated revenue fund of Canada as set forth in the resolution concurred in this day in the committee of supply.

(Translation):

Mr. Boulanger: Mr. Chairman, the government is asking us today to authorize supplementary estimates for the Department of Agriculture representing a fairly large sum of money.

We note that the first item in the supplementary estimates requires no elaborate comments, even though it calls for a rather high amount in administration costs of the agricultural stabilization board, considering that we are being asked to vote an amount of \$57,661,176.

(Text):

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): On a point of order, Mr. Chairman, I think the hon. gentleman must be under a misapprehension as to the matter we are now discussing. We are in committee of ways and means at this time, the committee of supply having reported the former resolution. The hon. member is discussing one of the items in the supplementary estimates which we have not yet reached.

Mr. Martin (Essex East): We are trying to save time.

(Translation):

Mr. Boulanger: Mr. Chairman, I should like to say a few words about the agricultural stabilization act—

I am sorry, Mr. Chairman, I thought I could deal with agricultural stabilization, during the discussion on supplementary estimates of the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Martin (Essex East): The hon. member for Essex East is to blame. (Text):

Motion agreed to.

Resolution reported and concurred in.

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton) thereupon moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-54, for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the fiscal year ending the 31st March, 1960.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: When shall the bill be read the second time? Now, by leave?

Mr. Pickersgill: By leave.

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton) moved the second reading of the bill.

Mr. Pickersgill: I wonder if the minister could assure us that the bill is in exactly the same form as the resolution?

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Yes, Mr. Speaker. The bill is in the usual form.

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time, considered in committee and reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: When shall the said bill be read the third time? By leave, now?