

In this province, the combined dominion and provincial tax on incorporated companies is 25 per cent on the first \$35,000, and 52 per cent on the balance of profits. Therefore, a company keeps only 48 per cent of the bulk of its profits. This makes the combined governments the senior partner in most companies.

I think it is about time some concessions were made to help smaller companies. It does not seem reasonable to me that large and small companies should be treated exactly the same. I should like to see the Government take some action to benefit those companies whose profits are never in the higher brackets.

I would suggest that it would be much fairer to all concerned if the tax were levied on a graduated scale, as is done in the case of the income tax. If a company makes a profit of, let us say, \$100,000 to \$150,000 a year, it is very hard, after paying what dividends are necessary, to set aside any substantial reserve for expansion out of only 48 per cent of the profits, which the company is allowed to keep. I feel that my suggestion is a reasonable one, and one that would help the expansion of many smaller companies. Let us not forget that when a company expands it usually means the employment of more help and the cutting down of unemployment figures.

Now, I offer a few words on a less controversial subject. I was particularly interested in the statement in the Speech from the Throne that Canada and the United States are to become joint owners of Roosevelt-Campobello International Park, which has already been referred to by the Leader of the Opposition (Hon. Mr. Brooks). I have been to Campobello and know what a beautiful island it is. Campobello Island has a peculiar interest for me. The capital of the island is Welshpool, named after the town in Wales in which I was born.

The reason for the capital of the island being named Welshpool is that in 1770 Captain William Owen, who later became an admiral, was given a portion of the island by the British Government in return for the heroic and victorious action he had directed in a naval battle. He settled down on the island and raised a family. It later became the permanent home of his son William. Admiral William Owen was a member of a distinguished Welsh family whose ancestral home was a few miles outside the town of Welshpool in Montgomeryshire. It was, and still is, a beautiful estate, called "Glan-severn"—or, if you do not understand the Welsh, "On the banks of the Severn".

As I have said, this family was a very distinguished one and was of immense service to Wales. When I was a boy, a descendent of

Admiral William Owen was not only chairman of the County Council of Montgomery, but was also member of Parliament for the same county. Incidentally, Montgomery was named after Roger de Montgomery, a Norman contemporary of William the Conqueror. This Montgomeryshire member of Parliament and descendent of the hero who lived at Campobello was responsible for the bill introduced in the British Parliament which completely revolutionized the high school system in Wales and made higher education more easily available to the mass of the people. Later on, the son of the member of Parliament referred to was appointed aide-de-camp to the British Ambassador at Washington.

I was very interested in the reference in the Speech from the Throne to the fact that Parliament will be asked to consider measures to strengthen the position of magazines published in Canada. I am glad some action in that respect is being taken.

I am in the newspaper business, and we publish a syndicated magazine supplement with our papers each weekend. On one occasion I foolishly entered the magazine business: I started a high-class monthly magazine, but after a few issues I was very relieved when a large magazine publishing house in Toronto offered to buy it from me. I discovered, as they did later, that it is not easy to make a high-class magazine pay in Canada.

I expect we shall hear from Senator O'Leary (Carleton) when this matter comes before us. Senator O'Leary, as we all know, was chairman of the commission which studied this matter for the Government, and I am sure he knows a great deal about the problem. The senator, like myself, is in the newspaper publishing business and is head of that excellent paper, the *Ottawa Journal*.

We are told in the Speech from the Throne that there has been a heartening expansion of the economy, and that employment has increased at an accelerated rate. This is good news. I must say that I have always felt our unemployment situation has been, in some peculiar way, exaggerated. I think we would have a better idea of the actual situation if the unemployables were sorted out from the unemployed.

One thing is quite evident in this prosperous and rapidly developing country; that is, an important factor in gaining employment in Canada is education and technical training. We see in our metropolitan papers every day columns of advertisements seeking competent help. Last Friday the *Toronto Globe and Mail* carried 88 columns of advertisements under the heading "Teachers Wanted". We all know there is a great shortage of teachers. In the same issue of that paper there were ten columns of "Male Help Wanted", one whole