

Income Tax Act

Rather than pitting my words or interpretation against his let me read from *Hansard* what the hon. member for Pembina did not take the trouble to read. This appears in the first column on page 1689 of *Hansard* for February 1, 1933. Mr. Woodsworth said:

Let me say that we must distinguish clearly between the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation and communism. It is quite true that both believe in a changed social order, in a new economic system.

He did not say they believed in the same economic system, but that they both believed in a new economic system. He went on to say:

The communists are convinced that this can be brought about only by violence. They think it cannot be done in any other way. We believe that it may come in Canada by peaceful methods and in an orderly fashion, and that is the purpose of this organization.

"This" was the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, the C.C.F., which has now been succeeded by the New Democratic Party. At that point—

● (3:30 p.m.)

Mr. Bigg: Why don't you read all of it?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Don't worry; I will be fair and read everything that is here, which is precisely what the hon. member did not do, Mr. Speaker. There was an interruption by Mr. Morand, who I presume was a Liberal. These are his words:

The end being the same.

Those are not Mr. Woodsworth's words; those are the words of the interrupter.

Mr. Bigg: Is there a question mark after them?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): No, there is not.

Mr. Bigg: Well, there should be.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Not only does the hon. member distort *Hansard* but he now wants to edit it 36 years later.

Mr. Bigg: Mr. Speaker, on a question of privilege, was there ever a clearer case than this of trying to distort a man's words? That was a rhetorical question by the hon. member posing the question, who said "The end being the same". Whether or not the *Hansard* reporter wrote it down that way, everybody in this chamber knows what he meant, and everybody knows from the answer given that it was taken as a question. Mr. Woodsworth

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said there was no answer except the use of force.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): This is no question of privilege, Mr. Speaker, and I did not rise on a question of privilege when the hon. member was speaking because as Your Honour said to my hon. friend, the hon. member for Oshawa-Whitby (Mr. Broadbent), this is a matter of debate, and to me it is a very serious matter of debate. If the hon. member rests his case upon the punctuation mark *Hansard* should have used 36 years ago, that is quite a different thing from his standing up and saying that Mr. Woodsworth said there is no difference between communism and socialism. As a matter of fact, on this page no references were made to socialism itself. Other hon. members were trying to compare the C.C.F. with communism, and Mr. Woodsworth said that we must clearly distinguish between them.

Since the hon. member wants me to do so, and because I think I must do so in order to be fair, let me read Mr. Woodsworth's reply to the interjection by Mr. Morand. Mr. Morand interjected:

The end being the same.

To that interjection Mr. Woodsworth replied:

It may very well be that force may prove inevitable—

Mr. Bigg: For what?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): May I have the floor, Mr. Speaker?

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Order, please. The hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre has the floor.

Mr. Winch: You are not in the R.C.M.P. now.

Mr. Bigg: Aren't you glad?

Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands): So are the R.C.M.P.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): I think I know the mind of J. S. Woodsworth better than my hon. friend. This is the reason I was so astounded, as was the hon. member for Vancouver-Kingsway (Mrs. MacInnis) who was sitting behind me last night when these remarks were made by the hon. member for Pembina. Remember, Mr. Speaker, that this was in the context of what was happening in 1933. Mr. Woodsworth said:

It may very well be that force may prove inevitable, yes, if the attitude of certain gentlemen—