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## CALLS FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE DUTY ON POTATOES

**Capt. Read Puts in a Word for the Spud Growers of P. E. Island--Says They can be Grown on the Tight Little Island 50 Per Cent Cheaper Than in any Other Part of Canada---Mr. O'Connor's Case Discussed in House.**

Ottawa, May 1. — Replying in the House of Commons last night to the recent order-in-council cancelling the exemptions of men between the ages of 20 and 22, Captain Read of Prince Edward Island, made use of the words "iniquitous measure." He was called to order by the Speaker, and in explanation stated it was not the order but the action of the government he was referring to. (Laughter.)

A few minutes later Captain Read caused much amusement with another reference to the government and its war policy. He said: "I don't want to see the government defeated at the present juncture. I want to see them punished and punished well. Crime and punishment are inseparable." Continuing, Captain Read made a strong appeal for the remission of the duty on potatoes and vegetables, so that the surplus of these products in Prince Edward Island might find its way to the markets of the United States. In the province from which he came, declared Captain Read, the farmers produced the finest potatoes in the world. Some people didn't like them. That, he said, was because they didn't know how to cook them. The government, he went on, was not justified in keeping the duty on potatoes. This was done, presumably, to protect the Canadian farmers. He wished to tell the government that in Prince Edward Island they did not want any protection. They could raise potatoes there 50 per cent. cheaper than in any other part of Canada.

**Wants Free Potatoes.**

"You men of Ontario and the west," he said, "you have got free wheat now. Why, in the name of common sense, can't you let us have free potatoes? Give us a free market in the United States and in no time our province will blossom like the rose."

W. K. Baldwin of Stanstead, cautioned the government regarding the expenditures which will have to be made this year. He hoped there was no dominating influence behind the administration such as there was behind the previous one. Unless its administration was just and right it would be hard without gloves during succeeding sessions.

When questions were called in the House today, the resignation of W. F. O'Connor was again raised. In reply to Mr. Tobin, the prime minister said he had taken cognizance of the correspondence tabled by the minister of labor concerning the resignation. Sir Robert added that he had been informed by the minister of labor that another letter was received from Mr. O'Connor subsequent to the bringing down of the return. There was no objection to bringing this letter down.

Dr. Edwards also had a series of questions to ask the minister of labor. Dr. Edwards wanted to know when Mr. O'Connor was first employed in the labor department, what duties were assigned to him and who had previously performed them. Mr. Crothers replied that early in November, 1916, when the order-in-council was passed authorizing inquiries and invitations respecting food and clothing, Miss B. McKenna (Mrs. G. Hambleton) was placed in charge of the work and proceeded to prepare questionnaires and forward them to merchants and manufacturers interested throughout the country. In the latter part of December, 1916, Mr. O'Connor "a barrister with some experience as an accountant," was appointed chiefly as an examiner to execute some of the provisions of the order.

Dr. Edwards — "Was Mr. O'Connor given absolute control of the staff in that branch?"

Mr. Crothers—"No."

After giving further information as to Mr. O'Connor's position in the department of justice, Mr. Crothers was asked who gathered the information upon which Mr. O'Connor's representations were based.

Mr. Crothers — "Miss Bessie McKenna, who also gathered most of the reports on the work done under that order."

Mr. Crothers added that Dr. McFall had been appointed to succeed Mr. O'Connor in the labor department.

**Troops in Good Shape.**

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux repeated his question of a few days ago with regard to an article which appeared in the Montreal Gazette criticising the

forestry battalion and the medical services in England. He wished to know whether the minister of militia had any further information to give the House as to conditions in these units.

General Mewburn stated that a letter had been received from the officer commanding the forestry battalion to the effect that conditions among the troops under his command were exceedingly good. The minister said he had sent word to the overseas minister of militia asking for information. With regard to the medical services, General Mewburn stated that he had no information to offer the House. He had asked the overseas minister to furnish him with the facts concerning these services.

Mr. Burnham asked if it was not the policy of the government to consult a constituency before appointments were made in that constituency. Sir Robert replied that he hardly knew what was meant by consulting a constituency. The policy of the government was to get the best information available.

Sir Sam Hughes—"Therefore they do not consult the members."

Sir Robert added that the intention was to get the persons best qualified to fill the appointments.

**Discussion on Budget.**

Speaking on the budget, Mr. Cronyn said that, in the main, the measures taken by the minister of finance to finance the war had been correct. Great Britain had been able to pay seventeen per cent. of her war expenditures out of revenue. The payment by Canada of eleven per cent. of this expenditure was an indication that we have been advancing along the right road. France had been unable to pay anything towards the cost of the war out of revenue, and Germany but very little.

Referring to the bond issues, he expressed the opinion that the non-taxable provisions should be withdrawn and also the convertible features of the issues should be dropped. This, he said, had a tendency to increase the burden on the country.

Mr. Cronyn professed a leaning toward free trade, but said he would not urge any great change in the tariff during the war.

He asked the government to consider the advisability of forming a permanent tariff commission.

A. B. McCoig of Kent, said he would have supported legislation even more drastic to raise funds for the prosecution of the war. He suggested that the tax on food profiteers should be made retroactive for the benefit of widows and orphans. Such an action, he said, would have been more commendable than a tax of five per cent. on tobacco grown in Canada.

Mr. McCoig urged that there should be an investigation into the increased price of shoes. He cited a case where children's shoes which cost 98 cents five years ago were now selling at \$3, while the price of hides was practically the same.

The absence of Hon. P. E. Blondin, postmaster general, from his duties, caused some comment by Mr. McCoig.

**West Prosperous.**

Dr. Blake of Winnipeg, stated that the west was in a most prosperous condition and prophesied that, before very long, the finance minister would be able to rely on that section of Canada for a large part of the country's revenue.

Dr. Blake referred to gossip in the corridors respecting the increased recruiting in Quebec at the present time. He expressed the opinion that the province of Quebec has too much pride to take second place to any province. He urged the minister of militia to grant a colonelcy to Armand Lavergne, as he thought the French-Canadian would be quite willing to accept such an appointment.

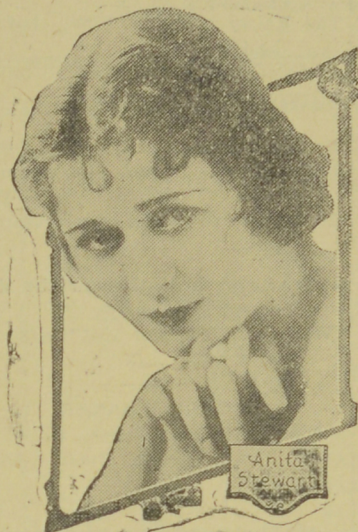
Dr. Blake said the minister of finance had done very well, but he certainly did not go far enough. Members of the House and the people throughout the country expected more burdens to be imposed. He had little criticism to make, but thought that war profits and large incomes had not been taxed sufficiently. He believed that 100 per cent. would not be too much on incomes over \$50,000.

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