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## LEADER FORKE BACKS BUDGET; HON. DR. MANION CRITICIZES IT; A CONSERVATIVE AMENDMENT

Ottawa, April 20—First full day of the debate on the budget brought a Conservative amendment. First, Robert Forke, Progressive leader, expressed his approval of the budget income tax reduction and lowering of the tariff on automobiles. In regard to the latter, Mr. Forke ventured to prophesy that most of the companies in Canada making automobiles would be going ahead in a short time and doing just as good business as they had done in the past. If an industry could not get along with 27½ per cent. protection, argued Mr. Forke, then there was something wrong with that industry.

It was Hon. Dr. Manion of Fort William who moved the Conservative amendment.

This declares that during the general election campaign Premier King and other ministers of the crown repeatedly gave assurances that before further tariff changes were made industries affected would be given an opportunity of being heard before the tariff advisory board. It adds that such assurances were repeated in the Speech from the Throne and concludes with regret that "in the case of drastic changes announced in the budget such assurances, have not been fulfilled."

"Where in this budget," Dr. Manion queried, "is there any relief for the workingman or the small farmer outside of an occasional postage stamp. Whatever advantage there is in the budget is for the rich or well-to-do. The rich man gets his income tax cut; he gets his high-priced car cheaper; he even gets his angostura bitters cheaper for his cocktails. The only relief the ordinary workingman gets is that he is relieved of his job."

### Forke Resumes Debate.

Debate on the budget was resumed in the House of Commons this afternoon by Robert Forke, Progressive leader.

Mr. Forke congratulated the Minister of Finance on his showing. Great advancement had been made in the past three years in export of cattle. Approximately \$12,000,000 value in cattle had been shipped to Great Britain during the last year for sale.

The statement of the finances of the Government railways was very satisfactory, he said. Within a few years the Canadian National Railways would be an asset instead of a liability to Canada. He hoped that Canada would forge ahead, so that both the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific would prosper.

Discussing the reduction in the income tax, Mr. Forke believed that these cuts should be heartily endorsed by all. He expressed his belief in direct taxation.

### Backs Auto Cut.

Commenting on the reduction in the tariff on automobiles Mr. Forke said that he would venture to prophesy that most of the companies in Canada making automobiles would be going ahead in a short time and doing just as good business as they did on their old basis. If an industry could not get along with 27½ per cent. protection, "then there is something wrong with that industry," said Mr. Forke.

### No Selfish Demands.

Newspaper reports in Eastern Canada had suggested that the western members were making "selfish demands." Mr. Forke denied this. "I want to know what they are," he said. Replying to an interruption from the Conservative side of the house, Mr. Forke replied, "the whole battle I am darrying on is for the working man of Canada." He supported the reduction in the tariff on motor cars.

Mr. Forke believed that a spirit of national unity should prevail in Canada.

### Maritime Ports.

F. P. Quinn (Conservative, Halifax) enquired if Mr. Forke was in favor of the shipment of Western grain through the Atlantic ports of Canada in preference to ports of the United States.

Mr. Forke replied that he "would like to see all Canadian grain going through Canadian ports." It was hard, however, to interfere with economics. As long as a dealer had to "deal with" a matter of difference in rates, he thought that shippers would continue to ship over the cheapest route to the markets of the world.

### Dr. Manion Replies.

Hon. R. J. Manion, Conservative, Fort William, congratulated the finance minister that revenue had increased and the railway condition bettered. "This is due, however," he said, "to the good fortune, not the good management of the government, because the government's tariff policy has unsettled business, injured industry, lessened work and wages and increased the exodus from the country."

The reason for better conditions had been "the bounty of Providence." Agricultural production in Canada last year, he observed, was worth \$265,000,000 more than in 1924, and the mineral production worth \$15,000,000 more.

### Cut in Spending Urged.

"All taxes could have been much more markedly reduced if the government had cut down its unceasing spending," said Mr. Manion. "The estimates of expenditure this year are higher than those of last year."

Dr. Manion said the postage rate could have been reduced some years ago if the government had not been spending money recklessly up and down the country on public works which were really political bribes. It was only when the laborer and small farmer wrote a letter that he would find any benefit under the budget reductions. There was no other benefit for the family man who earned less than \$3,000 a year. The effect of the budget would be to make the poor poorer, through the closing down of industry, and to make the rich richer, by reducing their taxes. The well-to-do would even get the angustura bitters for their cocktails cheaper.

### Assault on the N. P.

The reducing of auto tariffs was "another assault on the national policy of protection," which the people of Canada had always voted for when they were given an opportunity to do so, said Dr. Manion.

The migration of Canadians to the United States in the seven months ended January 31, last, totalled 53,000.

"This government is the greatest immigration agent the United States ever had," he said. Canadian artisans were made "sacrificial goats" on the altar of the government's ambitions. The necessity for protection of Canadian industry against foreign competition could be demonstrated, said Dr. Manion.

### Anti-Canadian Policy.

This was an "anti-Canadian government, with an anti-Canadian policy," he said.

So far as the competition of foreign industry was concerned, said Dr. Manion, Canada should apply "the commercial golden rule—Let us do unto them as they are doing unto us."

Because he believed that no further reductions in the tariff should have been made until the tariff board had been given an opportunity of investigating them, Dr. Manion said that he would move an amendment to the government's motion, which he proceeded to do.

## KING'S COLLEGE DIVINITY SCHOOL STORM CENTRE

(Continued From Page One.)

Grand Falls, Edmundston and Andover; Lieut. Col. J. Russell Armstrong, K. C. of Saint John; John Medley Flewelling, M. P. of St. Stephen; John George Kethro, of Newcastle; and Dr. Thomas Walker, of Saint John.

Greetings from the Synod of Fredericton were also despatched to the Bishop of Montreal to be read to the Diocesan Synod of Montreal now in session.

### Report on Bishop's Charge.

The report of the Standing Committee on the Bishop's Charge, concurring with the views expressed in the Charge and making certain recommendations, was adopted with minor amendments. A number of Synod members dissented, however, with the section of the report touching King's College.

The report of the Governors of King's College followed.

### Bishop Coadjutor of N. S.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Nova Scotia speaking on behalf of King's College as a member of the delegation from the Board of Governors, appealed to the Diocese of Fredericton for financial support in the effort to raise \$500,000 conditional on the offer of \$600,000 from the Carnegie Corporation. He emphasized the spiritual side of the university and its close connection with the vitality of the church.

### Hanfield Whitman.

Hanfield Whitman also of the delegation said that the present appeal for Kings was the most important matter which had come before the Church since the endowment campaign. He made a plea for departure from previous prejudices and opinions. The result of the financial appeal in Halifax had been particularly encouraging.

### Rev. Dr. Moore.

Rev. Dr. Arthur H. Moore, President of King's, also was heard. He reported upon the present condition of the college showing enrollment had in-

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Rev. Dr. Moore after delivering his report dwelt upon the relationship between King's and Dalhousie. Divinity students had the same privileges as they had had at Windsor. A faculty of thirty-five professors in Arts and Pure Science was available for the two associated colleges. His own personal relationship was to govern the institution constitutionally. He proceeded to give a sketch of his connection with the college.

Dr. Moore dealt also with the differences of opinion in regard to the Divinity School of King's College to which reference had been made in the charge of the Bishop of Fredericton. With regard to the statement sometimes heard that his own personality was dominating the institution, he repeated that he was proceeding constitutionally. As far as personality was concerned it must be recognized that the growth of any institution had of necessity to be that of the shadow of one man.

He had accepted the responsibility of the presidency with the assurance that the cement existed to join the fragments which were there. On that account he felt injured when certain claims kept in the background previous to that time, were brought forward. These were that King's was not meeting certain undertakings. In that connection he could say that he wanted fair play. (Applause.)

### Astonishing Stories

Some astonishing stories had been circulated in the Maritimes with regard to King's College by those opposed to certain influences. In that connection he need say no more than to ask anyone to come to King's and show him where the "confessional" was which had been said to exist here.

### Alleges Lying Employed.

Dr. Moore said that in regard to this controversy there had been most unfair stories and lying used in an attempt to injure King's.

The trouble was about the Divinity School. The statement was made to the Board of Governors that Evangelical Teaching in the Divinity School had been refused. With regard to that he said that he was of Puritan Stock. His boyhood and early manhood had been passed in churches recognized as Evangelical. He knew all about that. For some years he had edited

"The Churchman" and the Bishop of Montreal had told him he had done his work with fairness. He had worn no label. With regard to the complaint that Evangelical Teaching had been refused in King's Divinity School he could quote the canon that the teaching in that school was to be in accordance with "declarations of the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada." The Church of England was not evangelical.

### Closed With Appeal.

Dr. Moore closed his remarks with an appeal for the King's College campaign fund in the Diocese. He knew that the University of New Brunswick also was making an appeal but that was spread over a considerable time whereas the King's campaign had to be "snappy."

### Evangelical Opinion.

After the members of the delegation had been heard, consideration of the Report of the Board of Governors of King's College, was continued.

Rev. Canon McKim of St. Luke's Saint John, then made an expression of Evangelical opinion.

Canon McKim said that he was not aware of what he had done to deserve such terms as he had heard used in the Bishop's charge the day before. He proceeded to quote the words to which he objected. That morning he had, in plain terms, heard himself referred to as a liar. The Canon proceeded to refer at length to the negotiations which had been carried on to bring about the "fifty-fifty" agreement between High Church and Evangelical Schools of Thought.

Rev. G. C. Lawrence of Trinity, Saint John, advised that the matter be dropped. He belonged to the Evangelical school himself but he could see nothing to be gained by continuing the debate.

Rev. Mr. Fleming of St. John's (Stone) Church, Saint John, also spoke. He referred to the Bishop's charge expressing great regret that the terms used had been employed and also that the utterances had been made in the House of God. He also dealt with the history of the controversy concerning the King's College Divinity School.

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