

Your Federal Candidates Speak:

New Democratic Party Candidate

CARL ROULEAU SAYS

Last week we discussed in this column the myth of free enterprise. Now let us consider how the New Democratic Party proposes to re-establish some form of democratic control over the economy. We know that it is futile to attempt to turn back to 19th century liberalism. Because of technological and economic development we must accept the fact of mass organization. We know also that we cannot face the great changes of the future in a helters-skelter, unplanned fashion. It has been estimated by the vice-president of Dupont Co. of Canada Ltd. that 25% of our labor force will be unemployed within five years because of automation alone. This does not take into account the economic dislocation that will arise because of the formation of regional trade blocs from which we may be excluded. Our only hope lies in a scientific, rational approach to the problem as a whole. We must concentrate our energies on

economic research of the problems that face the national economy, and then embark on a program that will plan on a national scale how these problems will be solved. It is for these reasons that the New Democratic Party would set up a Planning Board staffed with specialists in various fields — economists, statisticians, scientists etc. The function of this board would be to conduct research as to the trends and weaknesses in the economy and to make recommendations to the government. But it would be Parliament that would decide what action should be taken by the government and such decisions would be made only after consultation with an Economic Advisory Council comprising representatives from agriculture, industry, labor and the consumers. Moreover the government would also have to consult with a Federal Provincial Planning and Development Council made up of experts

Who cares who started the unemployment insurance fund or who wants credit for running it into bankruptcy? To use necessary public service figures as election platform material is like asking to be elected to the House of Commons for filling your aged mother's woodbox. What about Mr. Diefenbaker's suggestion that we bring 100 Chinese families into Canada as a world example of something or other. I think that the Chinese among other races are wonderful people, but here we are unable to look after our own Chinese Canadians and all. Toronto is full of unemployed, as well as other areas. Why don't we put the whole of China on unemployment while we are at it!

Mr. Diefenbaker's suggestion only proves how far out of touch with reality he really is. I wonder if he realizes what the cost of living index is doing to those people who are working, leave alone those who are trying to get by on subsistence or savings. Speaking of money, how would you like to see some funny money. As a matter of interest, take a one dollar bill out of your

Haltion Social Credit Candidate

IRVING WILSON SAYS

But, if you have not yet paid your taxes, and you have one. Now look at it very carefully. It looks like a dollar doesn't it. Well! that is the funny part of it. What you are really holding is something like 54c, and the minute you spend that dollar 46c of your effort that earned that dollar goes to pay the cost of running this country. Small wonder that those dollars are becoming difficult to come by, and seem to purchase less and less every day. Think of it, our Government costs more than we spend on food, clothing and shelter combined. No Government is worth that much to any people, and ours is not doing the job for us to boot. Thirty-five years ago the income tax deduction for a single person was \$750, today the same person must pay income tax on income beyond \$1,000. Why should the cost of legislation come with our own personal needs area?

Social Credit says that an increased income tax deduction should be the basis of all pensions and assistance. Social Credit says that while we are our brother's keeper, first we must be able to do so, and charitable necessity need not be so close to home.

It has always been a funny thing to me, that we can have plenty of money in circulation to send our boys off to war and no one at the top says anything about it. Yet we cannot have prosperity in peace time. If our boom and bust economy is not engendered by financial manipulators and allowed by our leaders, then what is going on. Social Credit has proven itself for 33 straight years in Alberta. Count the disaffected people you know from the Social Credit Province. And for goodness sake do not let anyone give the brush-off about the oil either.

Haltion Conservative Candidate

SANDY BEST SAYS

What is the big issue in this election? It is simply the record of your Conservative Government and its proposals for the future, against a thread-bare Liberal protest that they could do better. Better for whom? The Conservative Government of the past five years has not only produced prosperity, it has shared it with the bulk of the citizens of this country as previous Liberal administration never have. Proof of this is the 30 percent increase in personal incomes and the 30 percent increase in payroll incomes since 1956. Nothing like this has happened before. This is the sort of shared prosperity that has put a lot of Fords and Ramblers in the car ports of the many, rather than a few new Cadillacs in the driveways of the few. It has allowed Canadians to spend more money for the things they want and save more money than ever before. And while it is quite naturally short of per-

fection, it is a lot more than the Liberals have ever been able to produce anytime they have been in office. All the Liberals have to say about this is: we could do better. They had ample chance to prove their claim before 1957, before wages went up 30 percent, before people had a little money to spend for more than necessities, and a little more to put aside in their bank accounts. The issue of this election for the Conservative Party is a record of promises kept and of decisions faced rather than evaded in the pattern of indefinite compromise historically so dear to the hearts of Liberal big shots. What are they using for leadership now? Four tired survivors of the debacle of their party in 1958, apparently so shattered by this event they have been unable to produce a single original idea since. So they say, we could do better. Lester Pearson has been going

around the country talking of free trade, oblivious apparently to the disaster this could be to Canadian industry. Paul Martin, Jack Pickersgill, Lionel Chevrier say nothing to correct him.

David Croll comes down here from his soft berth in the Senate apparently to defend Coyne in his undemocratic defiance of his elected employers. No paid official can prevail over parliament in democracy is to survive. Even to Mr. Croll, this much must seem basic.

And what has Pearson been telling the voters? Only that he can do better. Yet as far as I know, he has not proposed repeal of a single piece of Conservative legislation. Nor has he attacked any one of the 16 points of the John Diefenbaker program for the future. And he has not been able to come up with a sound six-point program of his own, let alone 16.

His candidate in Haltion is going around challenging Conservative cabinet ministers, whom he knows are not available, to debate a lot of nonsense. You may have noticed already: he is careful not to challenge me. Yet what need is there for debate as long as this party is still unable to offer intelligent alternatives to the Conservative record and to John Diefenbaker proposals for the next four years.

Haltion Liberal Candidate

HARRY HARLEY SAYS

We hear it said that seven weeks is too long for an election campaign. It is too long if voters are to be harangued with political clap-trap, as the gentleman who is seeking re-election here in Haltion calls it. As far as I am concerned, I am not finding the campaign too long. I have found it most interesting. I have talked with literally thousands of people in all parts of the county and have found that clap-trap has no part in any of our conversation. Although some people say there is no interest in this election, that definitely is not true. People are interested and have definite opinions as well. They are concerned with the deficits that have been piled up by the government in the past five years. They know that such public financing cannot continue. In turn they ask me what I think the Liberals can and will do about it. In the first place I do not believe the Liberals would have ever permitted such huge deficits to pile up and point to the Liberal record from 1946, at the close of the war, to 1957. In that time the Liberals built up a surplus of over 2 billion dollars. To correct matters now, Liberals offer the country a program, copies of which are available to everyone. In it is a plan for the manage-

ment of the nation's finances, a plan for the expansion of foreign trade, which is again starting to slip according to an announcement by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics last week, despite the loud claims of Mr. Diefenbaker and Mr. Hees, and despite the devaluation of the Canadian Dollar. The Liberal program for getting the country on a sound basis again includes tax incentives for new companies and companies wishing to expand. The Industrial Development Bank is to be reconstructed, its management separated from the Bank of Canada. The purpose is to provide more Canadian capital for Canadian enterprise. This move is designed too, to broaden the opportunities of the smaller business. Liberal planning is based on the premise that the core of our whole economic life is on production. This means putting men to work. This is done in four ways: foreign trade, investment in new enterprise, public works and do-

mestic trade. The last is dependent in a great measure on the first three because when we have a lively flow of foreign trade and investment is stimulated, when the government has planned program of public works men are put to work. They then have money to spend and spend it on the better things of life which means our industry is busy. The net result is that every one can pay their way including the government. This then is my general concept of a Liberal Government in office. But people have also asked me why should I as a practicing Medical Doctor choose to run for political office. I have often answered this question by asking another question. Why shouldn't a doctor be a politician. It is not without precedent. There are many eminent physicians who have served in government in both the Provincial and Federal Houses and at the same time maintained their medical practices.

Esqueusing Federation Tours Car Plant, Pioneer Village

Were the good old days really so good? And remember when?

Are two questions often in the minds of visitors to Pioneer Village. This historic spot is a unique feature of the Black Creek Conservation area. Here one finds some of the buildings erected by the earliest settlers. That they built firm and strong, is evidenced by the condition of the buildings today.

The Esqueusing Federation of Agriculture sponsored a bus trip, Wednesday May 30 and the first stop was at this site so rich in historical background and lore. Very efficient guides conducted the group to some of the most

interesting exhibits.

1828 Grain Barn
Among these was the old grain barn built about 1828 and now used as a museum. Here the group saw some of the tools and equipment used in the early days, also a display of more than 100 19th century toys, the finest collection in Canada.

The first home, a log cabin, followed by a two story log house with clapboard siding, and later a gentleman's house (so called), show the gradual development as circumstances improved. Compared with modern day appliances, many of their facilities seem crude

and inadequate, but one can not fail to admire and appreciate the vision and fortitude of our ancestors.

See Car Plant

In the afternoon the tour paid a visit to General Motors, Oakville. Here again they were taken on a very interesting tour of the plant. The precision and accuracy of each operation in the assembly of a General Motors product was quite apparent.

Refreshments in the cafeteria concluded the tour.

Transfer Home Economist Miss Frances Lampman

Miss Frances Lampman, who since August 1959 has been the Department of Agriculture's Home Economist for Hutton and Peel Counties, was transferred the end of this month.

Miss Lampman is taking a position with the clothing staff of the Home Economics Service in Toronto. Mrs. Kathleen Cosson, presently Home Economist in Temiskaming and Cochrane districts, is to be transferred to Hutton County in her place. Her headquarters will be in Brantford.

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