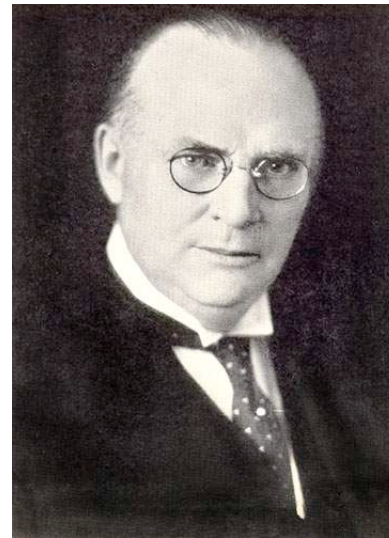**Meanwhile in Canada…**

Causes

- Wheat prices decline from '27
- Drought hurts Western farmers→ Collape of **Winnipeg Grain Exchange** before Black Tuesday
- US collapse led to decrease in demand for raw materials; protective tariffs hurt exports
- CAN lost $300M on BT; US lost $9B
  - 27% unemployment
  - Farmers declare bankruptcy
  - Wealth gap: some benefitted from deflation
  - AB and BC passed sterilization laws

Politics

- Liberal PM **Mackenzie King** vs. Conservative **R.B. Bennett** (laissez-faire, protective tariffs)→ Bennett wins 1930 election
  - $20M in relief; Asked UK for $$→ refused
  - Relief Camps (CAN Hoovervilles)
- Bennett's tariff only helps central manufacturers
  - No help to farmers/Maritimes
  - Seen as kind of a jerk

Resistance

- **Relief Camp Workers Union** stages walkout
  - Communist leader "Shim" Evans goes to Ottawa
  - Bennett stops trains to negotiate→ refuses
  - Strikers to Regina→ RCMP engaged peaceful rally→riot
  - Bennett's career takes a hit

Yes We CAN!

- **Canadian New Deal**
  - Began provincially, then made its way to Bennett
  - Minimum wage; 8hr. workday; 6-day max workweek
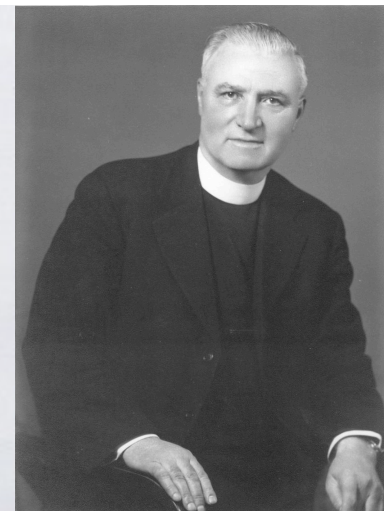 - Health insurance, workmen's comp, unemployment ins.

The Return of the King

- 3rd Party sinks Bennett→ reelection of King
- Lots of labour unrest→ socialism/communism flare
  - WUL communist league denounced by Internationale
  - 1935 – Illegal to form revolutionary orgs.
- **Antigonish Movement**
  - Maritime priests led by *Rev. Dr. Moses Coady*
  - Failed b/c of discord b/t Catholics/Protestants

Bring back WLM King!

- **Cooperative Commonwealth Federation (Winnipeg)**
  - *J.S. Woodsworth* – wanted progressive/labour politics
  - Public ownership of transportation, finance, electricity "for the good of the people"
- **Social Credit Movement** – *"Bible Bill" Aberhart*
  - Alberta-based price fixing to avoid inflation
  - Worked there, declared illegal by courts/govt.
- **Union Nationale** – Quebec
  - Attacked Liberal leadership
  - Supported semi-Fascist "Padlock Law" of 1937
  - Ruled Quebec until 1960