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## SITUATION AT OTTAWA NOT ENCOURAGING

**Special Correspondent at Capital**  
**Reviews Political Standing**  
**of Parties.**

OTTAWA, August 6.—The Government's habit of ignoring Parliament is shown by its course in deferring the Ministerial changes until the session was over and there was no opportunity for Parliament to consider the new situation. Even during the session the Government ranks had begun to break and some former supporters had gone over to the opposition or the cross benches. What would have happened, if, during the session the Liberal Unionists had been told that they must follow Meighen instead of Borden? What would have been the effect upon the Ontario Liberal Unionists of the withdrawal of their leader, Mr. Rowell, from the Government? Mr. Rowell's conclusion, as stated in his letter of resignation is, "That when a decision should be reached that the work of the Unionist Government as such was finished, and that a new departure should be made by the creation of a new party and the formation of an administration to represent that party he might fairly ask an honorable discharge."

This means that those Liberal Unionists in Ontario who regarded Mr. Rowell as their leader are also released from their obligation to support the Government and free to take any course they please.

### No Undue Haste.

It cannot be said that Mr. Rowell showed any undue haste in making the break. He has, in fact been criticized for staying in the Government too long. Be that as it may, now that he has gone there is no reason for any Liberal Unionist to remain in the ranks of Unionism. In fact Unionism is dead. Mr. Calder is one of those who remain. But a little more than a year ago, Mr. Calder made a statement in the House which logically bound him to resign. He was talking about Mr. Crerar's resignation, and explaining why he did not follow Mr. Crerar's example. He said:

"Let me ask Hon. Members of this House: What would be the consequence if we all followed the course taken by the Hon. Member for Marquette (Mr. Crerar). Suppose the Minister of Public Works (Mr. Carvell) resigned and the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Rowell), and the acting Minister of Trade and Commerce (Mr. Maclean) and myself and others should resign?"

When Mr. Calder mentioned himself the House expressed scepticism. Hansard says that some Hon. Members exclaimed "Oh, oh," but Mr. Calder replied:

"Do not be too sure, my friends, The task of carrying on government in this country and the responsibilities that are thrown upon public men"—before the increase of ministers' salaries—"are not so alluring as some Hon. gentlemen opposite seem to think.

"I say that if these resignations did take place there would immediately be a political crisis in this country, and one thing and one thing only could happen—the Prime Minister would either have to appeal to the country or he would have to advise the Governor-General to call upon my friend who leads the opposition to form a government."

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## "SINNERS" SHOWN AT EMPRESS THEATRE

Theatregoers Thrilled by Stirring Scenes of this Drama

A photoplay as breezy as the great new England coast where the principal events of the drama take place, "Sinners," which has thrilled theatregoers elsewhere in no uncertain manner, is to have its first appearance in this city at the Empress Theatre tonight.

This stirring screen drama concerning the fortunes of a New England girl who leaves home and goes to the big city in search of work is an adaptation from the Owen Davis stage success of the same name.

"Sinners" is not a melodrama as many will recall who saw it on the speaking stage, but a true characterization of life in the small town where everything and everybody moves by rule and route, and gossiping tongues swing from the centre. What a contrast to the existence led by big city cliff dwellers, who are seemingly heartless, Godless, Sodomites!

America's screen favorite and Realart star, Alice Brady, plays the part of Mary Horton, the girl who left home. Miss Brady is supported by a cast of screen notables. Do not miss seeing this photo-drama which is crammed full of human interest.

## "DON'T EVER MARRY" WESTHOLME TONIGHT

Jealousy has its humorous side to those not affected. Innocent escapades or predicaments which cause friction between married couples furnish most of the humor of the world, and it is a delightful humor as Marshall Neilan shows in his latest production for the screen, "Don't Ever Marry." It is the story of the happenings which take place within twenty-four hours after a secret marriage when for reasons best known to themselves two other women claim the young groom as their lawfully wedded husband.

The fun happens fast and furious from the opening scene to the end where tranquillity is once more restored. "Don't Ever Marry" will be the attraction at the Westholme Theatre tonight.

Out of Touch.

The Government is tired and out of touch with the country. The House of Commons is tired and out of touch with the country. The remedy is a new government and a new House of Commons, representing public opinion as it is today, not as it was in 1917.

Both government and Parliament are aware of the lack of sympathy between them and the people, but are afraid to apply the remedy. Many supporters of the Government realize that they cannot be re-elected, and for that very reason shrink from a general election. The situation is uncomfortable enough, but not as bad as that which an election would bring about. Holding an election would be like jumping out of the frying pan into the fire.

### Another Session.

Yet, it would not be safe to count with certainty on another year passing without a general election. The Government and its supporters must look forward with dread to the prolonged agony of another session, even with the indemnity increased to \$4,000, the Prime Minister's salary increased to \$15,000 or \$19,000 with the indemnity, and his colleagues' salary to \$14,000 or \$16,500 with the indemnity, the session just closed was full of

worry and anxiety. The government majority which was stated in this Parliamentary Guide to be 71 in 1917 dropped to 34 on the amendment calling for a general election, and 26 on the amendment calling for tariff reduction. It was only 5 on the resolution relating to the appointment of a Canadian Ambassador at Washington. Next session the situation is likely to be worse.

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Dated this 15th day of July, 1920.

### MINERAL ACT, 1896.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

THE DANDY NO. 2 FRACTIONAL MINERAL CLAIM situated in the Nass River Mining Division of Cassiar District.

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