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THE ELECTION

So far as can be seen at present, the issues which will be before the electorate at the forthcoming Dominion election are greatly reduced. The record of the present Government is to be forgotten and smothered in the folds of the flag. The question before the electors is chiefly to be concerned with the winning of the war. Shall Canada utilize its man power only or shall Canada bend her every other energy as well in the pursuit of the desired end? That is the question.

So far as the present Government is concerned, all they want at the present is another 100,000 men. They are quite content that the large incomes and the excess profits remain undisturbed. The working man has no large income, nor has he had any great chance to acquire much accumulated wealth thanks to the high cost of living, caused greatly by the said possessors of the aforesaid large incomes and excess profits. All practically that he has is his life. "This," says the present Government in effect, "being all that you have, your country demands it of you." To the man with the large income, derived out of munitions, or like Sir Joseph Flavelle's, out of the foodstuffs of the people, the Government in effect says, "You are pulling down a fat thing. We find that the present excess profits tax is bearing too heavy upon you. After allowing you seven per cent clear this iniquitous tax takes too much of the excess profit, which you would not make unless for this dreadful war, therefore, we will change it and only tax you plain four per cent on your total income. It won't cost you so much, and we will make the difference up out of the working man. He's the sucker, anyway."

This in effect, is the attitude of the present Conservative Government towards the two classes of the people resident in Canada. "By their deeds shall ye know them" was stated many, many years ago, and the actions of the present Government has stamped the present Borden Government as reactionaries of the same type, if not to the same degree as

those which the people of Russia have but recently thrown out, neck, crop and baggage.

The Borden Government has introduced the Military Service Bill as their final effort towards the winning of the war. But the further step they refuse to take. It is up to the country to decide whether their plan of compulsory military service only is the best that Canada can do towards the winning of the war, or whether the platform as outlined by the Liberals for the conscription of all the resources of the nation towards the same end will do any better. As the part cannot be greater than the whole, neither can the Conservative plan be better than the Liberal one.

As Premier Lloyd George has said many months ago, it is the supply of silver bullets which is going to tell in the long run. Canada has a great big magazine of silver bullets, which she chooses to overlook, the while she makes military service compulsory. There is something unequal in this arrangement which the working man finds hard to swallow. What better right has the Government to take the poor man and ask him to risk his life than they have to ask the plutocrat to make some sacrifice of his money bags. The Borden Government is strong on the equality of sacrifice. Compare a four per cent income tax with the risking of a God given life!

Yet, to the Borden Government, poor men's lives are many while millionaires are comparatively few. Therefore, in order that the species may not become extinct, they must not be troubled with more than a four per cent tax.

What Canada depends upon for her salvation is a united people, united in their desire to win the war, and to utilize every resource that the country possesses for that purpose. This resource does not end at man power. It extends to every thing in the Dominion. It consists of wealth, or more properly called riches in the shape of swollen incomes, which could be much modified to the benefit of every one, not excluding the possessor, by the

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imposition of a stiff income tax. This conscription also consists of factories and manufactures of all kinds. Instead of turning over Government property to private interests on lease, the Government would operate such themselves and save the profits. Conscription would extend to all the latent wealth of the Dominion in its various forms.

But such will never come from a Conservative Government.

Information is requested regarding the present whereabouts of Byron Willbur Crowell, late of Smithers, B.C. Last heard of in Kamloops, B.C., he is about 18 years of age, grey eyes, dark brown hair. Any information regarding him will be gladly received by Mrs. R.W. Crowell, Smithers, B.C., or the Daily News office, Prince Rupert.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve existing over a small island in the harbor of Prince Rupert, known as Lot 5466, Range 3, Coast District, by reason of a notice appearing in the British Columbia Gazette of the 21st April, 1910, and dated 19th April, 1910, is cancelled for the purpose of making a sale of the said Lot to the Grand Trunk Pacific Development Company, Limited.

GEO. R. NADEN, Deputy Minister of Lands, Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., 18th June, 1917.

M. Aug. 20.

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