

Workmen to man enough factories to supply the civilian population with necessaries should be provided in addition.

### *III. The Agricultural Army.*

This should retain the experienced farmers and farm foremen, and a reasonable number of assistants. Its object would be to supply all three armies and the civilian population with food.

Distributed through the Industrial Army and the Agricultural Army should be the returned soldiers, rejected men, women and girls, old men and boys, who would take the places of those engaged in more active military service.

While the conditions existing in Canada and Europe are scarcely capable of comparison, we are all aware of the great extent to which the places of able-bodied men of military age have been taken by ineligible men and by women and children. In Europe women are doing most of the work which is not directly connected with military activity, and are also doing much of the manufacturing of war supplies.

### **Recommendations of the Committee.**

Your Committee believes sincerely that 500,000 men should be enlisted and can be enlisted, but that, in accomplishing this great and worthy object, there should be more co-ordination of military, industrial and agricultural activities.

Your Committee, therefore, begs to lay before this Convention the following resolution, which has already been adopted by the Executive Council, but upon which no action has been taken by the Government:

"That a proclamation be issued calling upon every man of 18 years or over to offer his services to the State. Let enrolment offices be opened in every city, town and county, where those of eligible age shall be required to register their names, ages, occupations, etc., and be given a badge or armet to mark them out as men who have answered the call. Let a board be appointed in connection with each enrolment office, constituted of perhaps a judge as chairman, an officer of the militia, and one or two others, to consider each man's case, and assign him to the class of service which his peculiar qualifications best fit him for, whether that service be overseas, home defence, some form of production, or anything else essential to the conduct of our national affairs in war time."

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