

the Liberal party, the first step towards permanent recovery or reform in Canada must be the decisive repudiation by the Canadian electorate of the tendencies towards dictatorship manifested during the last five years, and an equally decisive repudiation of measures, by whatever party they may be advocated, which tend in the direction of Hitlerism, Fascism, or Communism. In Canada, we want, and we need, none of these. What we want and need, above all else, is an entirely different spirit in all matters of government from the one to which we have been obliged to grow accustomed; not the spirit of the autocrat, at home and abroad, but the spirit of brotherhood, in seeking the solution of our domestic problems, and the spirit of neighbourhood in our relations with other nations. We have been living too much under a reign of terror. Instead of blasting our way, which we have been doing for the past five years, let us pursue our way, doing unto others as we would have them do unto us. It is a wholly different method, but surely it is the one which, above all others, will best answer our own and the world's need.

Principles and Policies versus Platforms and Promises

The Liberal Party's Position on Present Day Problems

Second radio address, delivered by Mr. Mackenzie King from Ottawa on August 2, 1935.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Liberal party does not stand before the electorate in this campaign with an armful of promises, nor upon a platform of assurances, constructed expressly for the purpose of a general election. It believes the public is heartily sick of that kind of thing. What the people want to know, is where a party stands with reference to the all-important problems of the day, what its policies are, what the principles are which underlie these policies, and what grounds there are for believing that, if returned to power, a party will be able to carry out its policies.

I should like, with respect to the Liberal party, to deal with the last of these points first; namely, the reason why the Liberal party believes that, if returned to power, it will be able to give effect to its several policies. The fact that there are four different parties,