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Conservative Convention says nothing about Empire Defence; it states only that the best defence for Canada is to be obtained in co-operation with the other members of the British Commonwealth. The resolution contributes nothing to Government policy in the matter of defence.

Defence policy.

Decisions of Imperial Conference:

- (1) that each Dominion is responsible for its own defence.
- (2) that the defence of the Empire is the common concern of all.
- (3) that there shall be full consultation and exchange of information.

Re commitments as to participation in war:  
none to be made until concrete situation arises.

External Affairs: part taken at League.  
part taken at Imperial Conference.

International affairs: Refer to meeting with President at Bridge.  
My attitude, misrepresented.  
Consult and co-operate, in all vital matters of common concern, with other nations in trying to remove trade barriers, etc.

Transportation Act has been broadened.

Board of Railway Commissions has been reorganised.

Platform on Empire Relations (See attached sheet).