

2. CANADIAN PRESS SUMMARY OF FEDERAL ELECTION RETURNS, 26th OF MARCH, 1940

The press summary of the results of the Federal Election of the 26th of March, 1940, indicates that the total vote cast numbered 4,458,861. This figure will be somewhat greater when the official returns are complete. The Liberal Party polled 54% of the total popular vote and the National Government (Conservative) Party polled 32%. The Cooperative Commonwealth Federation accounted for 8%, and the Social Credit Party 2½%. The remaining 3½% was distributed among the other smaller parties. No change in the standing of the parties was caused by the soldiers' vote.

The following table indicates the Party standing in the new House, as compared with the standing in 1935:

	1940	1935
Liberal	178	171
Liberal Progressive	3	2
Independent Liberal	3	5
Independent	1	1
National Government (Conservative).....	39	39
Independent Conservative	1	1
Cooperative Commonwealth Federation	8	7
New Democracy (Social Credit)	10	17
United Reform	1	0
Unity	1	1
Reconstruction	0	1
• United Farmers of Ontario-Labour.....	0	1
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Total	245	245