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## Re-assertion of Personal Liberty.

The Liberal party believes that under the excuse of the present crisis, the rights of the individual have been violated. Liberalism stands, as always, for the British principle of free speech and free association, and to this end will repeal Section 98 of the Criminal Code, and end the present practice of arbitrary deportations.

The Liberal party will give no quarter to Communism in Canada. Those who advocate the overthrow, by force, of our existing institutions, are enemies of society, and should be so regarded. This is no reason, however, why every avenue of redress should not be open to those who have legitimate grievances. Arbitrary and autocratic methods are no substitute for British justice.

## Electoral Reform.

The Liberal party stands for electoral laws which will ensure a true parliamentary representation of the Canadian people and such legislation as may help to reduce the cost of election campaigns.

## A Balanced Budget.

The Liberal party believes the aim of every government should be the balancing of its budget.

It would seek to effect that end, by retrenchment of public expenditures, by reduction of principal and interest on the public debt by a reduction in taxation and by increased revenues through the encouragement of trade.

It will seek to effect a reduction of the cost of government in Canada by a careful inquiry into federal, provincial and municipal costs.

The record of Liberal administrations in the reduction of expenditures, taxation, debt and interest, and in transforming deficits into surpluses, is the best guarantee that Liberal policies, if given their opportunity, will be able again to achieve these results.

The statement concludes with the two following all-important declarations of policy:

## International Relations.

The Liberal party will seek to further, wherever possible, those courses in international relations which make for peace and good-will among nations, and to promote friendly intercourse between them. It will seek to further the work of the League of Nations.

## More Equitable Distribution of Wealth.

The Liberal party recognizes that the problem of distribution has become more important than that of production, and believes that personality is more sacred than property. It will devote itself to finding ways and means of effecting a fair and just distribution of wealth with increasing regard to the furtherance of social justice, and to the promotion of the common good.

## Minimum of United Effort

Please remember that what I have just read represents the minimum of united effort to which the Liberal party as a whole is already pledged. Save their inability to persuade others of the party of the wisdom of measures they may propose, there is nothing to prevent the more advanced and venturesome members from making further substantial contributions to the party's program. The statement, so to speak, represents the complete consensus of agreement already secured.

Throughout the campaign, I shall enlarge upon the policies enunciated in what I have just read; especially those in relation to unemployment, trade, the control of credit, railways, marketing, and social and industrial reform. In my address on Monday evening of next week, which will be the last of this series, I propose to deal more particularly with Canada's most urgent national problem, namely, unemployment, and the methods which, if returned to power, the Liberal party will adopt in seeking to effect its solution.

Tonight, I hope I have answered, once and for all, the unwarranted and unworthy charge, so often made by our political opponents, that the Liberal party has no policy, and the still more ridiculous allegation that there is no difference between the policies of the two old political parties. There is none so blind as those who will not see, but the eyes of many of the politically blind will open wide when the present campaign is at an end, and the results at the polls are known.