

FOREWORD

In presenting a printed report of the proceedings at a conference of representatives of branches of the Canadian Patriotic Fund in Eastern Canada, the Central Executive Committee recognizes that much of the discussion and many of the opinions are worthy of permanent record. It has not been thought necessary to reproduce verbatim the entire discussion, since much of it relates merely to the treatment of applications for assistance, in which more or less unusual conditions obtained. It is hoped that every argument of force and every opinion of value has been included, and that the record will prove of use to the Relief Committees in the local administration of the Fund and to Finance Committees in their efforts to increase the resources at our disposal.

The Central Executive Committee are glad to take this opportunity of expressing their appreciation of the invaluable assistance afforded to them in their work by the thoughtful addresses made by branch representatives on the occasion to which this report relates.

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