

cannot go back to the citizens and have anything like the success we have had in the past. Another campaign will result in a very small showing compared with our past two campaigns. I asked Mr. Ross if he wished me to say anything on this point. He said "I cannot speak for that Committee, but you can put it as strongly as you wish for me." He is of the opinion that Dominion legislation should be enacted to raise the money required by the Fund for the future.

MR. SOMERVILLE, (Toronto):—

The question has been asked "What is the unit, if any, that should assume the responsibility?" From an experience of some 75 or 80 meetings, in purely rural communities I would say that the county unit is by all odds for patriotic purposes.

MR. WILLIAMS, (Collingwood):—

I had a little bit of experience in the County of Simcoe. I found in urban municipalities the voluntary subscription is much more favored than any other method. The County Council does not want to put the taxes on. Personally, I would not let the County Council have anything to do with it at all. If you are going to have taxation at all go to the Provincial Government. Have the Provincial Government make the taxation and hand it over to the Patriotic Fund.

MR. REID, (Meaford):—

I rise to express the opinion that I am strongly in favor of any resolution passed by this Conference, calling for the raising of money for the Patriotic Fund by Civic and County Council taxation. Coupled with that I would also suggest that there be a strong subscription campaign.