

The Greatest Conspiracy Ever Perpetrated in Order To Defeat the People's Will

[A Notable Editorial from the Pembroke Observer, of October 25.]
The Observer is unqualifiedly in favor of Union Government. In order that all elements in Canada may be united in the one great task of winning the war, but we cannot favor the kind of Union Government that is now being foisted on Canada, which is nothing more or less than the old Borden Government bolstered up on the eve of dissolution in order that, buttressed by every legal (or illegal) device which could be forced through a gagged Parliament, the will of the people may be thwarted and the Borden forces given a new lease of power.

For three years of the war Toryism was supreme at Ottawa, and amidst a carnival of corruption and stupidity Canada has been trying to do its part. There was no leadership in war effort, and had it not been for the work of the civilian population in the matter of recruiting we would not have in France today the army of volunteers who have brought such glory to the land. In the matter of war contracts graft has been rampant, and the people have been urged to economize, conserve and produce, the Government has been spending money lavishly on patronage, with the Quebec and Saguenay and the C. N. R. deals as the crowning crimes against the people.

There has been no effort to organize the country for war service, and the Government refused to use its own plants for the production of munitions, fearing to enter into competition with its friends. While our boys are fighting and suffering and dying for us for \$1.10 per day, fed on bacon which has yielded Sir Joseph Flavelle a profit of over one hundred per cent, there has been no effort made in Canada to bring about equality of sacrifice, and while thousands of homes have been deprived of loved ones the wealth of the land is still untouched.

A systematic effort has been made to set race against race for political purposes, and Quebec has been practically ostracized by the present Government, its every effort toward war organization in that province being undertaken in a way calculated to arouse resentment. For three years the Opposition in Parliament, representing nearly half of the Canadian people, was completely ignored, the Government being determined to make it a Tory war from start to finish, and during the last session the closure was invoked repeatedly to gag Parliament, while such iniquitous measures as the railway deals mentioned above, the franchise act and other objectionable legislation were forced through the House with the object of legislating the party back to power.

The plea for a second extension of the parliamentary term having failed, Sir Robert Borden found himself forced to go to the country, and at once there was a scurry to get under cover. "Union" Government forthwith became popular. Cabinet ministers were ready to efface themselves to make way for others rather than be effaced by an irate electorate, and every device known to the politician was invoked to buttress the party against the impending disaster.

The women of four provinces were disfranchised, despite their noble war efforts, and the vote given only to those having near of kin overseas; \$6,000 or more citizens who were given naturalization papers in good faith under the laws of the land were told that they were disloyal and that a solemn contract made with them by the Canadian Government was no better than "a scrap of paper"; provision was made to apply the votes of the soldiers overseas, not in the constituencies which they came from, but wherever they might be most needed in the interest of Conservative candidates, and finally an alleged Union Government was framed up on the eve of the election, in order to deceive the people, and seven or eight cabinet ministers are now sitting illegally in the seats of the mighty, doing the business of the country without having the consent of the formal election. They have deserted their party without the consent or approval of their parliamentary associates, and out of it roundly denounced the country, and having in parliament and out of it roundly denounced the railway deals, the franchise act and the profiteering of the Government, have now allied themselves with these forces to carry measures into effect.

The metropolitan Liberal press has passed to the control of the big interests and, with the country thus throttled, we are on the threshold of an election. When the inside history of recent events at Ottawa and in other parts of the country becomes public it will reveal the greatest conspiracy ever perpetrated under popular government to defeat the will of the people. We are fighting for democracy abroad, and the light of democracy at home has been all but extinguished. The subtle cunning of White and Rogers and Meighen and their financial associates in Toronto, who were determined to carry through Parliament the \$50,000,000 C. N. R. deal, has succeeded in "putting over" on the Canadian people under the pretence of war-time necessity an election scheme that is nothing short of criminal.

This is the crew that presumes to call itself the "win-the-war" party, and asks Canadians of all classes to forget politics and unite under its banner. The endeavor to stifle the expression of public opinion is still going on, and in every constituency where the game can be worked efforts are being made to secure the election of "Unionist" candidates in the great majority of cases the sitting Conservative members—by acclamation. Hon. Frank Cochrane says he believes in a "fifty-fifty" division of seats in the Union Government, the Hon. Frank's idea of division on that basis being to retain all the seats in Ontario held by Conservatives in the last Parliament and give the remainder to the Liberals! Conservative riding associations throughout the land are styling themselves "win-the-war" organizations and inviting the Liberals to join with them in selecting Conservative candidates for Parliament. "Camouflage" is the game from first to last.

The Observer favors Union Government, but we cannot endorse a reconstructed Borden Government for a renewal of power at this time. The people cannot forget the record of the past six years, and they must not be deprived of the opportunity of passing judgment on those who, afraid of that judgment, have gone to such outrageous lengths to legislate themselves back to power.

All the discarded ministers have been given fat jobs and will continue to live on the people, who are not given a chance to dismiss them through the ballot box. Those who remain, with the men whom they have influenced to join them, must assume the full responsibility, and despite all the outrageous manipulation of the election machinery we are convinced that the people will succeed in ousting them from office. Union Government should have come after, and not on the eve of an election. The "win-the-election party" is the proper name for the aggregation which is being foisted on the country without any reference to the people, and its return in the coming election would mean another five years of Government by the big interests which have controlled Canada under Borden.

"The Disruption of Canada"

[Pamphlet by J. S. Ewart, K.C., Well-Known Publicist.]

OTTAWA, Nov. 28.—The Evening Journal today says: "J. S. Ewart, K.C., the well-known publicist, has issued a pamphlet entitled 'The Disruption of Canada,' in which he says that 'after many years of absence from politics, I venture at this most serious period of Canada's history to offer counsel to my fellow electors.'"

"He says that in his opinion 'Sir Robert Borden is in very large measure responsible for that most deplorable situation, namely, the disruption of the Dominion. He traces the record of views expressed by the premier and other leading politicians, on the important questions of the day, and concludes that what Sir Robert ought and ought not to have done is very clear.'"

"He ought to have dissociated himself and his party from the

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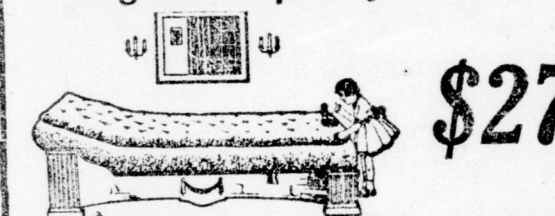


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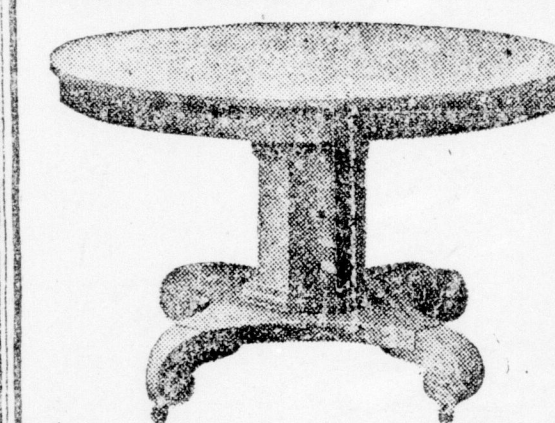


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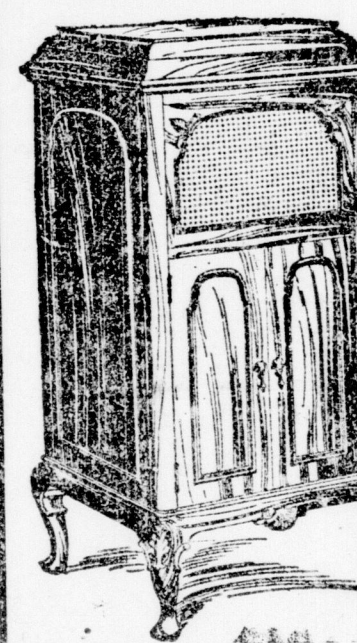
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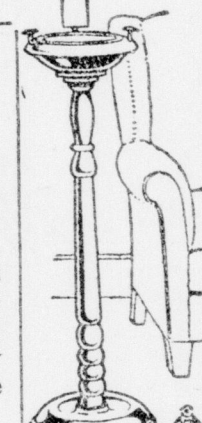
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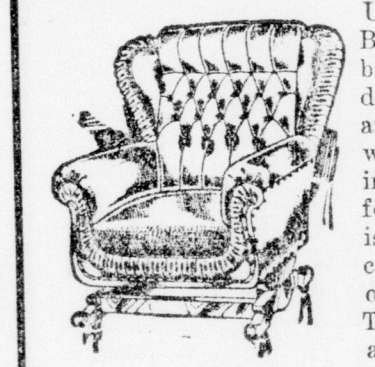
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Nationalist propaganda in 1910. But he did not," said Mr. Ewart. "When Sir George Foster, Mr. Barker and others were sending assistance to the Nationalist candidate in Drummond-Arthabasca Sir Robert ought to have telegraphed his repudiation of Nationalist doctrine. But he did not."

"He ought to have made clear and certain his disapprobation at the close co-operation of his party managers with the Nationalist campaign of 1911, but he did not. He ought to have protested (if he knew it) against financial assistance being given by his party to Mr. Bourassa's newspaper. But he did not."

"He ought not to have given seats in his cabinet—the only three French-Canadian seats that he had—to men who had taken a leading part in the Nationalist propaganda. But he did."

"He ought not to have introduced the conscription bill. If conscription had been necessary he ought to have preceded his introduction by a campaign of education."

"While recruiting was proceeding he ought to have declined to deplore the farms."

"Mr. Ewart concludes by declaring that 'neither Sir John Macdonald nor Sir Wilfrid Laurier would have reduced Canada to such disastrous cleavage.' He describes the question on the bill boards: 'How Would the Kaiser Vote?' as an impertinence, and says: 'He would vote for the man who is disrupting Canada.'"

BE SURE TO BLACKBALL ALL MEMBERS OF WHITEWASH CLUB

S. Frank Glass Among the Distinguished Gentlemen Who Signed Testimonial to Hon. Robert Rogers After the Latter Was Made Pure As the Snow.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: Sir, S. Frank Glass, ex-M. P. of Parliament, Buildings, signed the testimonial presented to Hon. (?) Robert Rogers, following the report which whitewashed the latter. On December 2, we should make sure to blackball the members of the whitewash club.

EAST MIDDLESEX, ELECTOR. Answer—Mr. Glass signed the testimonial, and we append a copy of the document as given out to the press on August 2. It is as follows:

"We, the undersigned members of the House of Commons of Canada, have learned that the base attack made against your character as a public man, has been by the Hon. Sir Ezekiel Leach and the Hon. Mr. Justice Teller, and the royal commission appointed to investigate, found to be without foundation of any kind whatever, and that the

a representative of the people, unafraid to speak the thing you will, when the public interest demands it. Please let us offer you our best wishes and kindest thoughts, at the same time hoping that you may be long spared to work for the welfare of the constituency you represent and for the benefit of the people at large."

Among the Signatories.

The following Conservative members signed the testimonial:

Messrs. Bennett (Simcoe), Best (Dufferin), Bowman (Huron), Boyce (Algonquin), Arthur (Barry Sound), Ball (Grey), Armstrong (York), Armstrong (Lanark), Bradbury (Selkirk), Paul (Lennox and Addington), Northrup (Hastings), Munson (Northumberland), Carlick (Rainy River), Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Wellington), Cromwell (Compston), Currie (Simcoe), Donaldson (Prince Albert), Glass (Middlesex), Green (Kootenay), Hanna (Lanark), Henderson (Halt), Jamieson (Digby), Lalor (Haldimand), Lewis (Huron), Macdonell (Toronto), Middlemore (Grey), Morphy (Saskatchewan), Morrison (Perry), Morris (Chateaugay), Morrison (Macdonald), Rainey (Chambliss), Vercheres, Schaffner (Souris), Sexsmith (Peterborough), Sheppard (Nanaimo), Smith (S. Ontario), Steele (South Perth), Stewart (Hamilton), Stewart (Lunenburg), Sutherland (Oxford), Taylor (New Westminster), Thoburn (North Lanark), Thompson (Yukon), Thompson (Durham), Wallace (Centre Work), Webster (Brockville), Welch (Waterloo), Wilson (Wentworth), and Wright (Muskegon).

CAMOUFLAGE

The supporters of Union Government are evading every other question and trying to appeal to the sympathies of the public upon the ground that there is only one issue, conscription. No attempt is being made to justify the mis-conduct of the late Government or their gross dishonesty, as evidenced by the franchise act, by the Canadian Northern steal, and other admitted outrages upon public opinion committed on the very eve of the for-

mation of the alleged Union Government.

Now what are the facts as to conscription? Mr. Gibbons and the London Trades and Labor Council, and the London Liberal Association, have all declared in favor of the enforcement of the military service act to the extent of 100,000 if equitably called from the whole country.

What is the Government doing as an evidence of good faith? Out of 20,000 exemptions in Montreal, the military board have only appealed less than 120—so that as far as Montreal is concerned the exemptions will stand and the draft will produce a negligible quantity. All the papers are full of declarations by the minister of militia of the intention to exempt the farming class.

Moreover, he has declared: "We don't intend to call up 100,000 men all at once and clear out the country."

If he is going to exempt the farming class, which includes practically all of Quebec outside of Montreal and Quebec City, is it not quite evident that the 100,000, if raised, must be from the cities and towns of Ontario and the other provinces, and if so, its effect as far as they are concerned, will certainly be "to clean out the country."

The elector, whether a soldier, a soldier's wife, or a citizen, must be very blind if he, or she, cannot see that this whole campaign is founded on an attempt to obtain another lease of power by a system of camouflage.

J. W. Plewes, the Borden candidate in Kent, has the right idea, but he is very crude. He knew that the money for the big advertising campaign was coming from the big interests, and he wanted some of it. He made the serious blunder of going for it direct, and so the wrong people, and got turned down.

The Borden fund is a very heavy one, but the money is at hand. Bribery is on the wing, so look out.

The Borden supporters have overshoot the mark in going after the soldiers' women relatives' vote. One woman whose husband overseas instructed her to vote for Laurier was ransomed by one of the Shrinking Sisterhood, and she told the S. S. what her husband had said: "The only way you can vote

SALTS IS FINE FOR KIDNEYS, QUIT MEAT

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores, so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

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Sir Adam Beck as the chief apologist for Hon. C. C. Balfour, Macenzie Hogg, and Hon. John Croft.