

upon for just cause and from the highest motives, and one that should be prosecuted without faltering to a conclusion which shall ensure the attainment of the purposes for which it was so entered upon;

And whereas the mind of the entire people should be centered upon the proper carrying out in the most effective manner of that final decision, and that all questioning in the press or otherwise of the causes of that war, the motives of Canada, Great Britain or the allies, in entering upon and carrying on the same and the policies by them adopted for its prosecution, must necessarily divert attention from the one great object on which it should be so centered and tend to defeat or impede the effective carrying out of that decision;

And whereas the day for consideration and discussion has passed, and the day for united action in execution of an unchangeable decision has come, and it is therefore necessary to remove every obstacle and hindrance to such united action;

And whereas it is desirable to prohibit the publication of secret and confidential information as hereinafter set forth;

Therefore His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the recommendation of the Minister of Justice, under and in virtue of the powers conferred upon the Governor in Council by the War Measures Act, 1914, is pleased to order and enact an Order and Regulation and the same is hereby ordered and enacted in the terms following, to wit:

*Order and Regulation.*

1. It shall be an offence:—

(a) To print, publish or publicly express any adverse or unfavourable statement, report or opinion concerning the causes of the present war or the motives or purposes for which Canada or the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland or any of the allied nations entered upon or prosecutes the same, which may tend to arouse hostile feeling, create unrest or unsettle or inflame public opinion;

(b) To print, publish or publicly express any adverse or unfavourable statement, report or opinion concerning the action of Canada, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland or any allied nation in prosecuting the war;

(c) To print or give public expression or circulation to any false statement or report respecting the work or activities of any department, branch or officer of the Public Service or the service or activities of Canada's Military or Naval Forces, which may tend to inflame public opinion and thereby hamper the Government of Canada or prejudicially affect its Military or Naval Forces in the prosecution of the war;