

Q. In any case, as we have not got the time to peruse all your pamphlet, will you look at page 17 where you say it is wrong for two nations to go to war? A. Surely.

Q. How will you decide when that war is not for commercial reasons? A. That becomes a matter for each individual Christian person to decide for himself. What is set forth there is an endeavour to set forth the scriptural view.

BY THE CHAIRMAN:

Q. I suppose it would be decided at the same time the decision is arrived at as to whether it is an imperialist war or a national war.

MR. MacINNIS: The Minister of Mines and Resources made pretty clear the other day when he said that ^{if} this war was like the Boer war he would be opposed to it.

THE CHAIRMAN: There would be everlasting differences of opinion on that point and we could not settle it here.

WITNESS: May I just point out in the first paragraph -- I think it is on page 17 -- the paragraph ending Exodus 22:2, the fact that this proposition is set forth:

" If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die, there shall no blood be shed for him."

In other words, if a man violates another man's home or if a nation violates the territory of another nation that nation defends itself. Then it says there will be no blood shed for him. In other words, there is no guilt on the nation to defend itself. Jehovah's witnesses therefore are not pacifists; they adopt the scriptural teaching.

BY THE CHAIRMAN:

Q. But the interpretation that you place on this yourself is your own interpretation. A. The interpretation? I do not think it is mine. It says: "If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die, there shall no blood be shed for him." If I wanted to get an understanding of