

LOCAL 439 UAW-CIO RESOLUTION

Party Name on Ballot

Whereas in several of Canada's provinces, the ballot used in provincial elections carry not only the candidate's name, but also his party affiliation, a procedure not included in federal elections, and

Whereas the inclusion of the party name on the ballot will assist many voters to determine correctly the name of their choice on the ballot, be it

Therefore resolved that this 1953 Convention of the Canadian Congress of Labour urge the Federal Government to change our federal elections' laws to provide for the inclusion of party affiliations, as well as the name of each candidate on the ballot.

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Advance Poll and Absentee Voters

Whereas thousands of Canadians citizens were disenfranchised by being out of their home polling sub-division on holidays on August 10th, and

Whereas the calling of the 1953 Federal Election during Canada's paid vacation period was in our opinion a political manoeuver aimed at reducing the labour vote, and,

Whereas such tactics tend to weaken rather than strength respect for our democratic procedures, be it

Therefore resolved that this convention of the Canadian Congress of Labour urge the Federal Government to so amend Canada's election act to permit eligible voters, who are absent on election from their home polling sub-division to exercise their franchise—

- 1) by the extension of coverage of the advance poll provisions to permit any person on the voters' list, who for any reasons will be out of his polling sub-division on election day, or
- 2) by providing for a form of absentee voting in Federal general elections, which would permit persons, out of their home polling sub-division, to vote in any other sub-division on declaration by oath that they have not voted and that they are on the voters' list in their home riding.