

SUBJECT

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*The Halifax Herald April 9/30***That "Hot Declaration"**

E. GEORGE Smith, parliamentary correspondent of the *Toronto Globe*, writes that Mr. Mackenzie King's "not-a-five-cent-piece-for-any-Tory-Provincial-Government" declaration "undoubtedly will become a major issue in the election campaign", which, he adds, everybody at Ottawa "believes is about to commence".

Mr. Smith gives this paragraph picture of the scene in the Commons:

The Premier's hot declaration, hurled in the middle of a debate in which his Government admittedly has been subjected to severe pummeling, aroused cries of "Shame, shame" from Conservative benches. Hon. Richard B. Bennett, Conservative Leader, shook his head in obvious fury, and shouted over the hubbub which ensued: "And you are Prime Minister!"

Ottawa is still talking about it; every debate bristles with it. It was an extraordinary declaration, and will go into history along with others that come readily to mind.

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