

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF LEADERS
OF CANADIAN BUSINESS IN RESPONSE TO REQUESTS
FOR CONTRIBUTIONS.

An Eminent Publicist says: (W.H. Cawthra, 24 King St. W., Toronto)

"I rejoice to know that some concerted action is being taken by business men in this Dominion - men who are too busy to become politicians - to drive home what is the gravest danger to trade and prosperity. If this cannot be done, we may as well start a search for a Mussolini or a Hitler."

A Manufacturer writes: (A.C. Ransom, President, Ault & Wiborg Co., Toronto)

"While these times are mighty hard to be subscribing for this or any other cause, we are enclosing our cheque and wish you "God Speed" in your undertaking, for if there ever was a time when things needed economy in the running of governments, the time is most opportune."

A Business Executive says: (S.B. McMichael, President, Dominion Electric Protection Co. Toronto)

"I am delighted to know there is an organization that is at last undertaking to try and do something about the constantly mounting taxes.

"Apparently public officials, whether in Federal, Provincial or Municipal positions, have an idea that there is an inexhaustible reservoir of money in the hands of individuals and organizations that can be tapped at will for any amount and for any purpose.

"I believe that these conditions and the toll that is being enacted from both individuals and organizations by way of taxes is rapidly weakening the morale of the average executive, which will undoubtedly seriously influence the return of better business.

"May I express the wish that your influence may be felt in as wide a sphere of activity as possible."

From Mr. Irving P. Rexford, (General Manager, Crown Trust Co., Montreal)

"Believing that economy in public finance is of vital importance under present day conditions, we hope that your Committee will be heartily supported and meet with much encouragement in the work which you are endeavouring to do."

From Mr. Corwin Wickersham, (President, Standard Brands Ltd., Montreal)

"I feel very strongly that in view of the fact that our taxes are increasing in every possible way year after year, it is only fair that the Government should set about putting its own house in order and eliminating some of its unnecessary expenditures.

"We are all willing to contribute our share of the taxes to run the Government but it seems to me it should take steps, the same as every successful business has in these times, to clean house by eliminating expenditures that have crept in during the so-called boom times and which really contribute nothing toward the successful operation of the business."

From Mr. G. J. Mitchell, (Vice President and General Manager, Canada Dry Ginger Ale, Toronto)

"We are very much in accord with the movement. Instead of finding new methods of taxation as so recently exhibited in the proposed Budget from Ottawa the Minister of Finance and his Committees should actively endeavor to reduce the cost of Government. It is decidedly our point of view that these things must be forcibly brought to the attention of the Cabinet at Ottawa. We are strongly in sympathy with your movement."