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C.G. MacNeil Esqr  
Secretary  
The Dominion Veterans' Alliance  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,

Replying to your communication of yesterday's date, you are right in assuming that I - justifiably - replied to the wild and erroneous remarks attributed to Dr Sharpe in criticism of our administration and broadcasted by the Canadian Associated Press, and I am very glad to know that you have instituted inquiry thereto.

I am at a loss to understand just why the Veterans' Alliance should have taken upon themselves to 'sit in judgement' on the administration of this Society whose personnel and work enjoys the public confidence and makes no attempt to conflict with them.

At our next Council Meeting I will submit the request contained in the last paragraph of your letter and act on instructions, but the nature of the inquiry is such as to compel me to decline to accede to it on my own initiative with the same measure of courteous diffidence that would urge me to refrain from making a similar request regarding the internal administration of those Societies the Dominion Veterans' Alliance purports to represent, and who very naturally might resent such, as intrusive inquisition from any but their own Executives.

Yours truly

Dominion Secretary-Treasurer  
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