Item No. 18

THE CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO, 1, CANADA

Canada Life Building, 8th Avenue and 2nd Street West CALGARY, ALTA.

AUGUST 7th, 1953.

Secretary of State, Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

I have just learned that I am to be disinfranchised on Monday, August 10th, due to the fact that I was confined to hospital on July 31st, and will be here some two or three weeks. Apparently the Election Act makes no provisions for such cases.

I wish to draw your attention to this fact and ask that consideration be given to amending the Act so that voting rights will be provided for those, who through no fault of their own, are unable to present themselves at their own polling booths on election day.

Yours very truly,

(sgd) Graeme P. Smith, C.L.U., Branch Manager

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Item No. 19

24 Clark St. W., Guelph, Ont.,

Sept. 7, 1953.

Chief Electoral Officer, Ottawa.

Dear Sir:-

Many thanks for yours received August 28, 1953 in relation to votes in my opinion cast at service hospitals. I myself have just left hospital and now reside at above address. There is an institution ran by Salvation Army called The Eventide, 24 Clarke St. W., Guelph, Ontario, as shown by address.

Having been in hospital for six months is a long time but now recuperating. It is a long time to be tied up, as I say, 6 months in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, 7 months in General Hospital, Guelph, 5 months in Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital—so I think I have had my share.

Kindly give the Prime Minister my best wishes and once again congratulations on your last success of August 10th. I have great regard for him and trust I shall always have.