

campaigns on tactics, whatever their purpose may be, which cannot but have the effect of serving to undermine the effort of the nation at a time of war.

The Bloc Populaire Canadien and other minor parties

There is a third opposition group of which I should now like to speak. It is the most recent and for the sake of Canadian unity, I trust it may be the most short-lived. I refer to the so-called Bloc Populaire Canadien. Its self-appointed leaders who are a small group of malcontents are indifferent to the good name of Canada, and to the security of Canada. They pretend that Canada is in no danger in this war. They talk as though Britain and not Nazi Germany was the real enemy. They are against further participation in the war. The Bloc Populaire is the only party I have ever heard of whose platform and policies are contained in the one single word "non". That negative and destructive appeal has exceedingly harmful possibilities both to the war effort and the future of Canada.

The Bloc Populaire deliberately seeks to set Quebec against the rest of Canada. It is apparently indifferent to the harm it will do the people of Quebec if it succeeds, by setting the rest of Canada, and indeed the rest of North America, against Quebec. The real design of its leaders is to gain votes and influence by exploiting racial differences and stirring up racial animosities.