

Significance of forthcoming Conservative Convention:

Present meeting of Federation, coming in third year of administration, particularly important;

Too often, in office political parties tend to let work of organization lag, with disastrous consequences -

e.g., Conservatives, after 1930, neglected organization - contributed to crushing defeat of G.E. 1935;

Conservatives shortly to hold national Convention to select new Leader -

Likely to result in stimulus to work of party and in renewed efforts to build up strong and active organization on nation-wide scale;

Tendency for party with preponderant majority to lose its cohesion -

Liberal party enjoys unprecedented majority in H. of C. and Liberal governments in 7 provinces;

Very strength of Liberalism might, if unity on fundamentals were lost, become a source of weakness;