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## Is a United Quebec ? to Rule All Canada



This, the most tremendous question in Canada's history, is to be answered within ten days.
Our answer involves Canada's honour, her freedom and her future. Old-time party questions are being advanced to obscure the gravest issue ever placed before a nation. Canada is in real danger. The clouds that obscure her vision must be brushed aside so that the great issue stands forth clear and distinct.

## "Is a United Quebec to Rule All Canada ?"

> To-day, in our national crisis, Quebec alone among all the provinces stands more united than ever before. She knows what she wants:
(1) Withdrawal from the war.
(2) Bilingual schools everywhere
(3) Weakening of the ties of British connection
(4) Political control of Canada.

From the Ottawa River to Labrador and the Gulf, a com mon purpose actuates Quebec in her determination to profit by the factionall divisions of Canada and to impose her will upon all the people of Canada.

Within the last few weeks, Quebec has mobilized all her forces to dominate Canada under the unified leadership of Bourassa and Laurier. Canada knows that these two men in their earlier days were personal friends and political associates. Canada knows Bourassa the polls. Cposed Laurier and helped to bring about his defeat, at weeks, ago, the breach between them steadily widened until a few weeks, ago, the breach thed, each them steadily widened until envy Bourassa and his followers were anathema to Laurier

Should not the people of Canada ask themselves, before it is too late, why these two men have suddenly agreed to bury the past, why this sudden embrace each of the other? If we will but let the influences of Quebec have combined to force the union of Laurier and Bourassa in the common purpose of French Canadian dom ination.

We concede the right of French Canadians to make com mon cause of anything they think it is in their interests so to do This is a free country. But as the French Canadians have already English-speaking Canadians get together and present to a united front in the defence of our rights. This is imperative.

With sixty solid seats Quebec is about to accomplish her designs. Bourassa, the real master and idol of Quebec, is in sight of his goal

To attain her purpose, Quebec has not scrupled to ignore British traditions and to suppress freedom of speech. So thoroughly organized is her campaign to prevent even the discussion of the war that Unionist candidates are prevented from holding

## public meetings throughout that Province. The Unionist minority

 in Quebec are the victims of organized obstruction.To be successful in her determination to rule all Canada Quebec has but to secure a few seats in each of the other Provinces Quebec leaders now seek to divide the rest of Canada into factions by insidiously bringing into political discussion old-time party questions, to divert the public mind from Quebec, her purpose and her ambitions.

United in her determination to quit the war, Quebec would compel a divided Canada to do likewise. By union only can the English-speaking people prevent this calamity.

However well-meaning Laurier candidates in Ontario may be, they will be helpless against a united Quebec.

Apart from the splendid work of the smail English-speaking population, Quebec has failed the Red Cross, has failed the Patriotic Fund, has failed in recruiting and has failed in the Victory Loan. Dare we trust our soldiers, their wives, their children, their pensions and their allowances to Quebec, that will neither give, enlist nor invest, and which will resist taxation for the support of our men and their dependents?

Canada must decide whether she will become a deserte and quit with Russia, or fight to the end for liberty with Belgium This decision must not be dictated by the only Province whic

All Canada knows that Germany has been agents, spies and bribes in every country in the working through evidences are the revelations recently made to the world The latest dent Wilson. Do we Canadians think the Kaiser has overlooked Canada? If we do, what a fool's paradiss!

Germany benefits by division among her enemies. Upon whom would she look in Canada as furthering her designs? Not Governmert Borden, Mr. Rowell and their colleagues in the Union respect to the leaders in the Province of Quebec whe said with in this war is against Canada's continuation in the war. We regret to be compelled to say these things, but we must not shut our eyes to facts.

The Citizens' Union Committee, anxious for the maintenance of British ideals and traditions, views with alarm the menace of French-Canadian domination with its inevitable influence upon the home, the school and the state.
We, therefore, call upon all English-speaking men and women to realize that-Canada, divided by political factions and old-time party questions, is at the mercy of a united Quebec. Union Government alone can save Canada from the menace of French-Canadian domination.

The Citizens' Union Committee
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## Win the War

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## Make No Mistake

## IF LAURIER WINS:

(1) Canada will send $n \mathrm{~m} \mathrm{more}$ (2) The French-Canadians who have practically means to the front, which shirked their duty in this war will practically means quitting the war and
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ARE THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING PEOPLE PREPARED TO STAND FOR THAT?
It is because the French-Canadians have not done their duty that Conscription had to be resorted to.
The French Canadians have made it perfectly clear that they do not like the was The are against Canada participating in it further. Some of them even go to the tength of saying that the soldiers should be brought back from the front.
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