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ILSLEY WARNS

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Mr. Ilesley was critical of sections of the press and "certain spite-inspired, but inspired enemies" of Prime Minister Mackenzie King whose utterances, he said, had confused the issue.

He made a plea for moderation, reasonableness and restraint and expressed the hope that the opposition and government groups should and could work together in harmony and understanding.

Other speakers at the short Wednesday sitting were T. L. Church (Con. Toronto-Broadway), Clarence Gillis (C. F. Claps, Borden South) and J. A. Marshall (N. D. Camrose).

Mr. Church said he opposed the plebiscite but the others did not see a starting point against it although strongly criticizing the government on several counts.

Suggests McNaughton

Mr. Marshall suggested that Lt.-Gen. A. G. McNaughton, Canadian Corps commander who now is in Canada, be called before the bar of the House to give information on strength of Canada's defences and on the need for more manpower.

Mr. Ilesley, the cabinet minister to enter the debate since Prime Minister Mackenzie King spoke the day it opened, was given a long and loud ovation by his fellow Liberals and many on the opposition side when he entered the House.

He said his purpose in speaking was to make it clear to everybody interested "that my concurrence in the policy of a plebiscite is based on conviction and is given without any doubts or reservations whatsoever."

He said he was surprised by the "confusion of thought which existed in the country on the plebiscite and the extent to which thought had been provoked by emotion."

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QUEBEC, Feb. 4—(CP)—Paul Beauchamp, president of the anti-conscriptionist "Canadian Party" in the Quebec East by-election, said in an address last night that Canada has done enough in the present war and that the time has come when contributions already made. Some of his remarks were considered an infringement of the defence of Canada regulations and on that ground the censors advised against publication of them.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4—(CP)—The New York Times said today that private advices received from continental Europe recounted a quip that is joining the rounds as a commentary on the German withdrawal in Russia. According to this "gossip" Goering gave Marshal Petain, French Chief of State, 24 hours to consider the plans of retreat used by Napoleon.

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proops had been withdrawn from the Kerch peninsula, the extreme eastern end of the Crimea, and a new Soviet line had been based on the Gulf of Arabat in the north and the Gulf of Feodosiya in the south.

National unity could be maintained but only if we followed the course advocated by any single factor of the extremists in the camps—not the camp but the camps—arrayed against us.

Mr. Ilesley asked the government's opponents not to accuse it of "sordid motives" or of thinking of its political future.

He had no sons but sons of other ministers were fighting on all fronts. If the government had no ulterior motives, he said, why should they not work together in unity and understanding.

"Surely we should not jeopardize the gains we have made since the last war, sacrifice the substantial measure of national unity which we have achieved in this war, by adopting the arbitrary, the unrestricted and the provocative methods which the venemous advocates of conscription would now have us use," he said.

If the plebiscite were defeated and conscription strongly opposed by a majority of the people, it would be a more efficient and effective method of providing reinforcements than a continuance of the voluntary method.

But he was convinced that it would not be defeated and he would personally do his utmost to bring about a favorable result.

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NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Feb. 4—(CP)—Navy Minister Angus Macdonald said in an address here today that "we have enlisted more men for overseas service in this war than in the last war, in spite of the fact, fortunately, that we have not had as many casualties."

Mr. Macdonald spoke before an informal meeting in support of Labor Minister Humphrey Mitchell, Liberal candidate in a Welland by-election Feb. 8.

In addition to increased enlistment figures during this war, Mr. Macdonald said "we have twice as many men working in factories as there were in the last war."

"The Canadian navy has grown in ships more than 20 times and was more than 15 times the number of men. Five thousand Canadians are waiting to join the navy now but they cannot be taken in because there is not room for them."

The Navy Minister said the Welland by-election campaign was being watched by all Canadians and said that in supporting Mr. Mitchell the electors would be giving the government a vote of confidence which it deserved.

"I never saw a campaign in which the issue was more distorted than this," he said. He referred then to the statement made last week by Mr. Mitchell that he would be loyal to his "skipper," the Prime Minister, and termed attacks on the stand of Mr. Mitchell unfair.

"Never before has loyalty been considered dastardly, cowardly and infamous," he said. "The new-fangled Liberals, half Liberal and half Conservative, think it is not right to be loyal to the chief, but to sabotage the chief and sabotage Canada. Speeches made in this election attacking Canada's war effort are being quoted in enemy newspapers and on radio stations. I have proof of this fact."

OTTAWA, Feb. 4—(CP)—National defence headquarters issued a statement tonight saying authorities in London believe that Canadian troops who took part in the unsuccessful defence of Hong Kong and now are prisoners of war, have been concentrated with the rest of the British garrison at Kowloon, mainland section of the far east colony.

The defence department statement said: "It will be recalled that a report was published Feb. 1 to the effect that British troops were in a concentration camp at Kowloon and were being reasonably well treated."

The information came from the military attaché at the British embassy at Chungking (China), and had been received from officers who escaped from Hong Kong Jan. 9.

As it did not state whether Canadian prisoners were in this camp, a further inquiry was sent and a further message received from the high commissioner today states that further details promised by the military attaché are not yet available, but that authorities in London interpret the report as meaning that all troops, including Canadians captured at Hong Kong, are concentrated at Kowloon.

OTTAWA, Feb. 4—(CP)—A plea to abandon the proposed conscription plebiscite and introduce a measure for selective compulsory service was made by one of his followers at a public meeting in the House of Commons Tuesday night.

"I implore him not to besmirch the name of the great Dominion, Mr. Hobbittell said. "That would be the effect if the government substituted uninformed opinion for the leadership and integrity expected of it by the people, he said."

Mr. Hobbittell, 50 year old American-born business man and former crack amateur golfer, was the fifth of Mr. King's followers to oppose the plebiscite and the second to offer as an alternative immediate conscription.

Speaking in the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne late this evening, Mr. Hobbittell said Canada did not have a total war effort.

"The only fair, honest and efficacious way to wage total war is by the allocation of total resources by means of a measure for total selective service," he said.

"I believe the voluntary system of enlistments has not proven a success, particularly in the army," he added.

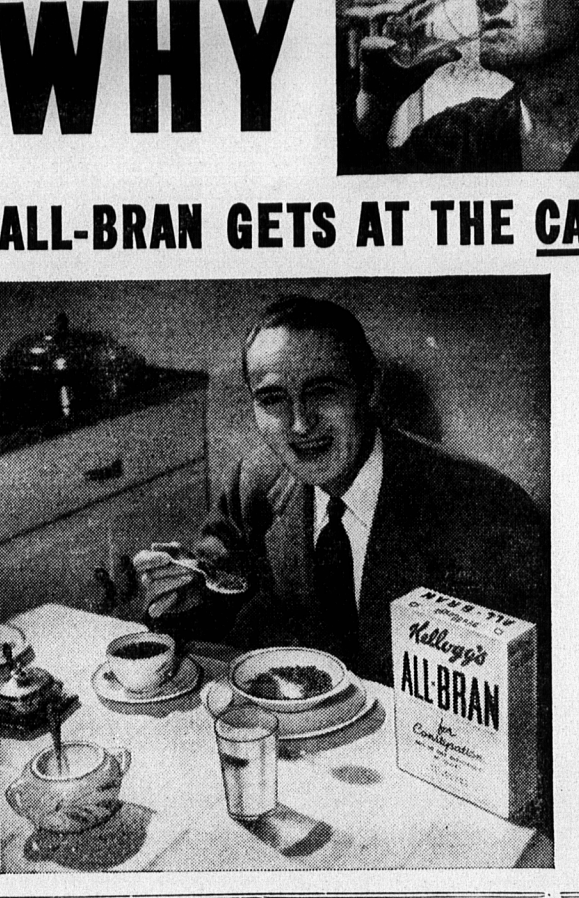
He criticized methods of "concoction" used by some officers to get their own men to enlist in the overseas forces.

Other Speakers

Earlier in the evening sitting Gordon Fraser (Con. Peterborough West) referred to the proposed removal of Japanese from the Pacific Coast and said they were not wanted in Ontario because if they once got there they would want to remain.

He appealed to the government to forget about the proposed plebiscite to secure release from its anti-conscription pledges and "get down to business and hold a secret session so that we can all get together."

Robert Fair (N. D. Battle River) said soldiers and their dependents and school teachers should receive the cost-of-living bonus. The provincial governments were having difficulty in maintaining their educational systems but the Dominion should increase grants to the provinces so that bonus could be paid to teachers.



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