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HAMILTON MASS MEETING

**Strong Resolution Adopted Calling
Upon Government to Do So
at Once.**

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Hamilton, March 3.—A mass meeting was held this afternoon at the Temple Theatre under the auspices of the Great War Veterans' Association for the purpose of discussing the alien question, and a resolution was passed calling upon the Government to take action upon this immediately.

Should Employ Enemy Aliens.

The resolution, which was passed enthusiastically by a standing vote, after setting out the facts of the large number of aliens in Canada, both enemy and allied, and that only a small proportion of the enemy aliens had been interned, and few of the aliens from allied countries had taken advantage of the opportunity to return to their own countries, or to enlist in the military forces of Canada, and claiming that the Union Government was placed in power largely by the votes of soldiers and "soldier women," proceeded:

"That it is the opinion of this mass meeting of the citizens of Hamilton, called for the purpose of considering this question, that the aliens of enemy origin in our midst should be employed in works of national importance, or in industries essential to the winning of the war, under proper surveillance, and their employers, for the time being, made responsible for them, and that their earnings over and above an amount equal to the pay and allowance of a Canadian soldier be taken by the Government for war purposes, or failing their being so employed, that such enemy aliens be immediately interned.

Apply M.S.A. to Allied Aliens.

"And further, that measures be at once taken to make the Military Service Act applicable to all allied aliens in the same manner and to the same extent as to the citizens of Canada, either by negotiating the necessary treaties or conventions with the remaining allied countries on the lines the same as or similar to those provided for in the conventions recently adopted between the United States of America and Great Britain.

"Or failing the obtaining of such treaties or conventions, that such allied aliens be forthwith given the option of enlisting voluntarily in the Canadian forces or being deported to their country of origin, as is being done by the United States Government under the Alien Sucker Bill just passed by an overwhelming majority in the House of Representatives at Washington.

Decide Before Calling Second Class.

"And further, that no steps be taken to call out the second or other class under the Military Service Act, or to return to France any married man of the 1st Canadian contingent until the question of the disposition of the aliens has been settled in a manner satisfactory to the citizens of Canada, and that the Government be urged to take up and deal with these questions without further delay. And that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Minister of Militia, and the press of Hamilton and Toronto."

Mayor and Other Speakers.

The theatre was filled long before the opening of the meeting, many being turned away. Mayor Booker acted as Chairman, and made a short and pointed address expressing sympathy with the movement.

The resolution was spoken to by S. F. Washington, K.C., who moved it, and it was seconded by Lieut.-Col. William Hendrie. They both spoke strongly about the alien being allowed to reap all the benefits and bear none of the burdens of war. Reference was made to the statement of Sir Robert Borden that the Government could not deal with the alien question, and all the speakers who referred to it affirmed that the Government not only could but should at once dispose of it. Others who spoke were F. W. Tresham, Vice-President of the G.W.V.A.; Richard Dawson, Secretary; L. H. Cooke and C. R. McCullough.

Jewish Bazaar Brought Large Sum.

The bazaar for the relief of the Jewish war sufferers in Palestine closed Saturday night, and it is estimated that about \$15,000 will be realized as a result of the activities of those who arranged for it. The total amount secured will not be known till later in the week.

National School System Advocated.

Rev. C. E. Manning, speaking at First Methodist Church this evening advocated a national school system for Canada. He said he knew that under the British North America Act Quebec had certain privileges in connection with her schools, but all other Provinces should be made to comply with the act. He was prompted to say this because he knew of settlements in the Western Provinces where there were German and Austrian schools, in which no English was taught, and which did nothing to make the children Canadian citizens, but rather taught the

ideals which Britain and her allies were fighting.

Death of Mrs. Wm. Leonard.

Mrs. Kathleen Leonard, wife of William Leonard, died to-day at her home, 217 York street, in her 45th