

ORANGEMEN WANT NO WAR ELECTION

Will Pledge Candidates if the Contest Comes—Have Issued a Manifesto.

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TORONTO, Sept. 13.—The joint legislation committee of the Orange order in British America has issued the following manifesto:

"We earnestly desired that there should be no election until after the war. Those politicians who oppose all further Canadian aid to Britain and who seek purely party ends, even if their plots should mean the dismemberment of the British Empire, have joined forces with all the alien enemies of the land and have apparently succeeded in forcing Canada to a general election.

"An election being thus forced on the country by the scheming politicians, aided by every disloyal element, we most earnestly appeal to every officer and member to vote only for such members seeking re-election as remained faithful to our ideas and voted for the military service act, for the proposed act for the prolongation of the present Parliament until after the war, as all parties in France and Britain have so far done, for the bill giving soldiers the vote and for the war time elections act, which in general meets our requests regarding alien enemies.

A Pledge for Candidates.

"In all other constituencies our votes should only be given to the candidates who will give the following pledge:

"If elected, I pledge myself to support the military service act as it passed Parliament and to give every assistance to its enforcement throughout the Dominion, and I further pledge myself to support every measure necessary and possible for the Dominion to put in force, to support our beloved sovereign until victory, thorough and complete, has been secured by the allies.

"The candidate who refuses to give such a pledge does not deserve the votes of loyal Canadians. We believe the members of all other patriotic organizations will join us in insisting on such a pledge by candidates who seek our support.

"We must continue to urge on the Government that military fit men from the countries of our Allies, (and we believe there are quite a few men of military fitness of all these nationalities scattered throughout Canada), should be compelled to join our overseas forces for transference to their own military forces, in which they would have had to serve had they not left their native lands for Canada, but if this is not practicable then other appropriate steps should be taken for the attainment of this end.

Not Harbor Undesirables.

"We again ask the Dominion Government to secure from time to time from the British Government a list of men and women in Great Britain and Ireland who have by word, writing, or other overt act impeded or tried to impede the British Government in the conduct of the war, and that all such persons be excluded from this country as undesirables.

"We once more urge on the Government—First, that all immigration from enemy countries to Canada be prohibited except under such terms as a treaty of peace at the close of the war may provide.

"Second—We ask that people born in enemy countries, and their children, be debarred from entering Canada through neutral or friendly countries.

A Literary Test Wanted.

"Third—We strongly insist that naturalization be denied all people from enemy countries now or hereafter residing in Canada, until they can read and write in the English language and until their loyalty to this Dominion is beyond all doubt.

"Let the Premier, Sir Robert L. Borden, and the candidates for your constituency know what you think on these matters.

"Wm. Lee, Grand Secretary, M. W. Grand Orange Lodge of British America; D. D. Ellis, M.D., Grand Master, M. W. Grand Orange Lodge of British America.

"This manifesto is endorsed by the joint legislation committee of the order. E. H. McLean, Chairman."