

SOCIALISM IS ENEMY, DECLARES COL. CURRIE

Nationalism and Pro-Germanism are Only Other Names for Socialism.

EDUCATION WANTED

Orangemen Pass Resolution Supporting the Guelph Ministers Demanding Enquiry.

"Socialism," said Colonel Currie, speaking at the Orange demonstration which followed the parade yesterday. "is only another name for nationalism and pro-Germanism, both of them, because the democratic party in Germany is responsible for the war. Socialism is the enemy of this country." He said he had protested against a Nationalist being made second commoner in Canada in the new Parliament. "That was a shame," he thundered. "When the Germans came to Caesar with arms in their hands asking for peace, he said he would make no peace with armed men. That is my attitude," he continued.

Col. Currie said that every allied country had passed a law expropriating German property. "There is no such law in this country," he said, "and there ought to be. I understand that the Kaiser has a half-interest in valuable Western coal mines, and that German interests are, if not in control, at least interested in millions of acres of Canadian land."

The Novitiate Again.

Because of the clause in the Military Service Act relating to divinity students, Col. Currie, said a religious paper had blamed him and two other members of Parliament for the trouble at Guelph. "There is one thing about that trouble," he went on, "we will have an investigation. The question is whether it shall be a judicial investigation or a public investigation by Parliament. "I think a public investigation by a committee of Parliament is the proper one. If we are wrong and they are entitled to do what they have done, we will forgive them, but if they are wrong, and if the law is defective, we must have it corrected."

Must Purge Government.

He pointed out that when there is no strong party in power, things went wrong. The Union Government must be purged so that it will carry on. "When we are asked to destroy all the old parties, it is time for the Orangemen to take down their big black sticks." He said there is one great body that stands firm, and that is the Orange Order. "No anti-British faction can carry on the business of this country so long as the Orangemen are here. We are bound to stand by civil and religious liberty."

He referred to his visit to the British museum, and to seeing the Magna Charter, and pointed out that the Orange Order still stood for all the liberties granted by that charter.

Need of Education.

In a brief, but eloquent speech, Hon. Dr. Cody, Minister of Education, outlined the enormities of the Hun. He pointed out the atrocities they had committed and said the sinking of the Landoverly Castle brought it home to Canadians. "We must carry on this conflict to its only safe conclusion," he said. Even if Germany were to give up her conquered possessions in Belgium and Northern France she would still be a victor in this war if she were allowed to retain her conquests in the Balkan States.

Turning to the position of affairs at home, he pointed out that a new Canada would not result merely because of this war. We had got to get out and do things. He said that three factors would make for the new order of things; (1) the returned men, (2) the women who now had the franchise, and (3) all those of us who had thoroughly learned the lesson of the war.

Hon. Dr. Cody concluded: "Some day the sun of victory and abiding peace will shine over the world."

Resolution Passed.

Wm. Hocking proposed a resolution demanding a full inquiry into the raid, and pledging the Orange Association to support the Ministerial Association at Guelph in their efforts to secure a thorough open investigation.

Dr. Charles Sheard spoke strongly in favor of an inquiry into the Guelph raid. He rapped the Minister of Militia for his action in the matter.

After the telegram of felicitation had been read from Sir Edward Kemp, Lieut. Herbert Moore briefly addressed the gathering. Hon. Thos. Crawford proposed a vote of thanks to the speakers. This was seconded by Capt. Tom Wallace, M.P., who referred sympathetically to the absence of the late J. Ross Robertson. He said his stand on the Guelph question was that when he was elected to Parliament he was not put in there to apologize to any Guelph Novitiate or to anybody else. Bro. Thomas W. Selfe presided and the proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.