

WAR VETERANS FRAME DEMANDS ON OTTAWA

Deportation of Aliens, Ban On Immigration, One "Na- tional Language."

That all alien enemies who refuse to become naturalized be deported to their respective countries.

That the War-Time Election Act be not repealed, but continued as law in the Dominion.

That immigration from enemy countries, and the immigration of alien enemies from any country whatsoever be prohibited for years to come.

These are three of the recommendations of the Employment and Repatriation Committee of the Central Branch of the G. W. V. A. which will come before the next general meeting of that branch. Owing to the strained employment situation, as it affects returned men, the Central Branch have appointed Dr. C. Wilson and Messrs. A. G. Evringham, F. Holmes, C. E. Pearson, and President J. Thomson, and these men have been giving considerable attention to the employment and repatriation problems as they affect the members of their branch and the G. W. V. A. members of Toronto. The result is a series of recommendations that will come before the branch, among which the above mentioned are the most important.

The committee also recommends that these resolutions, when they have been approved, shall be forwarded to all the Toronto branches for their consideration, and then brought to the attention of the Federal Government with a memorial from the local branches. The committee believe that far from returning the franchise to those from whom it was taken by the War-time Election Act, any action by the Government in this connection should be to further restrict the voting power of all enemy aliens. On the question of the immigration of alien enemies their position is no less certain, the committee after much consideration strongly advising against permission being given during the next ten years to all such persons seeking entrance to Canada. The period fixed is only a tentative one, and may be changed before the recommendation goes before the branch, or may be reconsidered at the general meeting.

The report further asks that all alien enemies in the country who have conducted themselves in a dangerous manner during the war shall be denaturalized, compelled to forfeit their surplus wealth gained while working at high wages during the war, and deported to their respective countries. Before this is done the committee asks that these men shall furnish certificates that all taxes and other debts have been fully paid. They recommend also that all alien enemies who refuse to take out naturalization papers be treated in the same way.

The teaching of none but the "national language" in the Public schools is another point for which the committee holds out. In regard to the employment situation the Repatriation Committee recommends that the branch secretary write the Board of Trade and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, placing himself at their disposal to co-operate with them with regard to the employment of returned men.