

# Start-up Task: Fill in the Blanks...

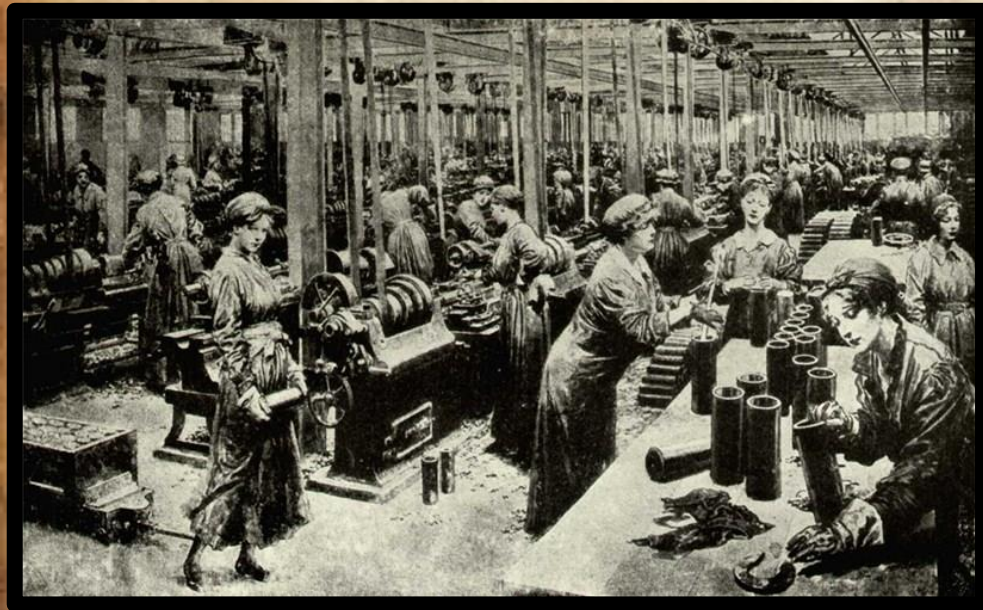
- Chlorine gas was first used by the \_\_\_\_\_ in the Battle of \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ were developed to solve the problem of trench warfare
- \_\_\_\_\_ caused the most deaths
- German \_\_\_\_\_ were used to destroy British merchant ships
- The Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ could be considered a disaster, and as many as 1.25 million died.
- The Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ was successful for Canadian troops, and led to a greater sense of nationhood.
- The Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ was extremely muddy, and only 1 in 5 Canadians survived it.
- \_\_\_\_\_ was Canada's top wartime "ace"

# THE GREAT WAR AT HOME



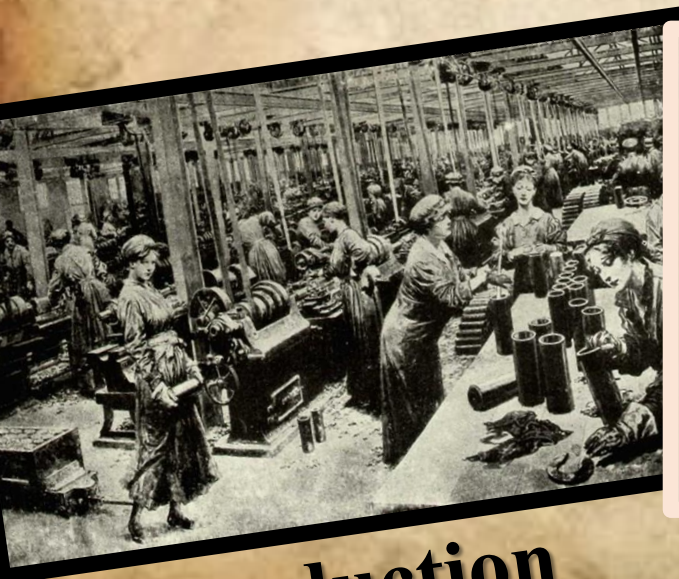
# Total War

All resources of a nation are  
organized for one purpose-  
**TO WIN THE WAR!**



# The Home Front

Becomes extremely important in total war! Could determine who wins...



**Production**



**Finance**



**Enlistment**

# The Home Front

The war affected the **home front** in two very significant ways:

1. It changed the Canadian Economy



2. It changed the lives of Canadian women.



# The Canadian Economy

**WWI** – Canadian government now responsible for manufacturing and shipping millions of dollars in war supplies to help support the **British Army** and **Canadian troops**:

1. Munitions
2. Shells
3. Aircraft Parts
4. Clothes
5. Food



**Demand for these supplies was extremely HIGH!**

**Canada was spending more than 1 million dollars a day!**

# Strain on the Economy

## PROBLEM:

Men fighting in Europe + Women on their own trying to raise and support family = Less spending on goods and services.

## SOLUTION:

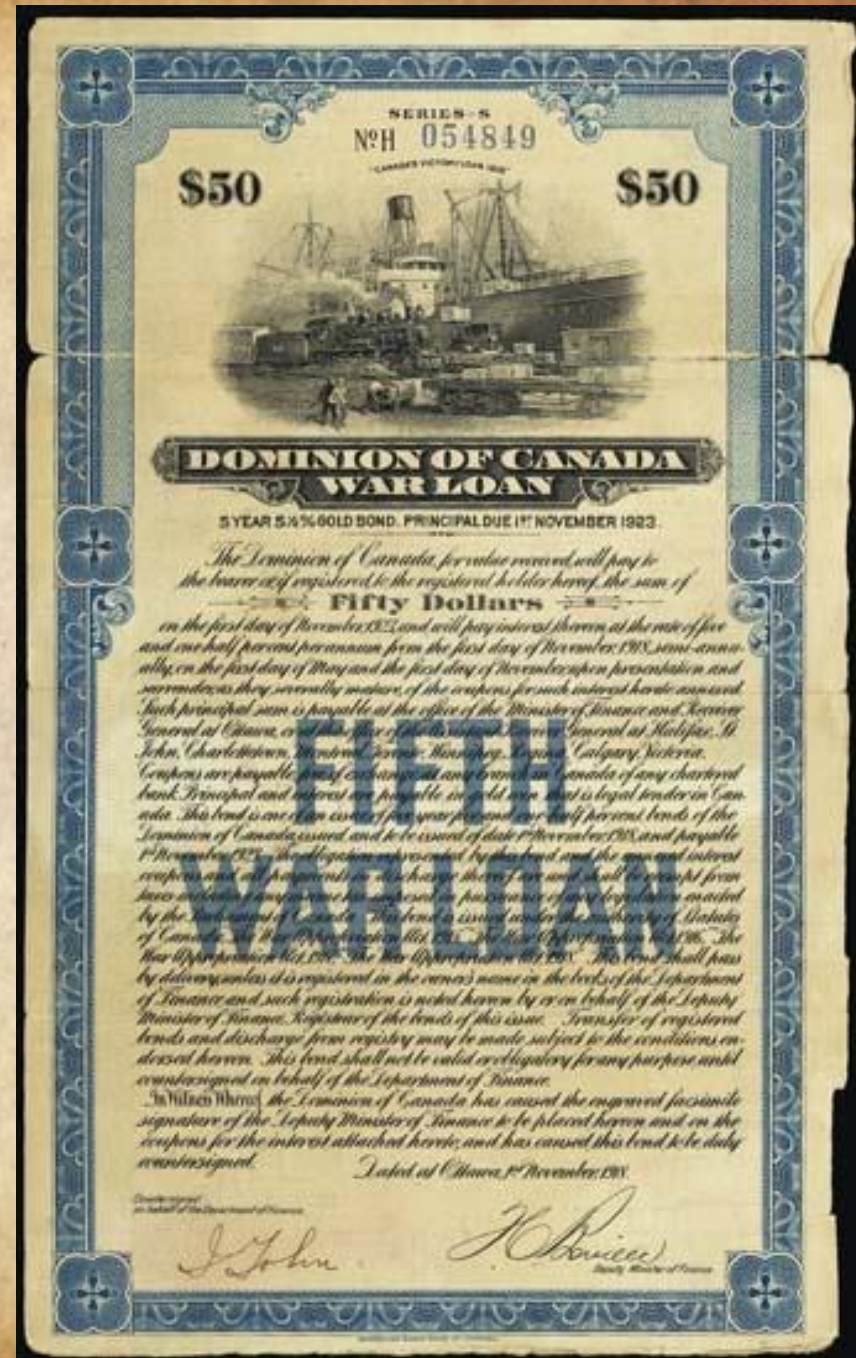
1. War Loans
2. Victory Bonds
3. War Income Tax (“temporary”)



# War Loans

**What** = Government borrows money by selling bonds to Investors and private corporations. Redemption of money after 5, 10, or 20 years with 5% interest.

**Earnings** = \$500 million



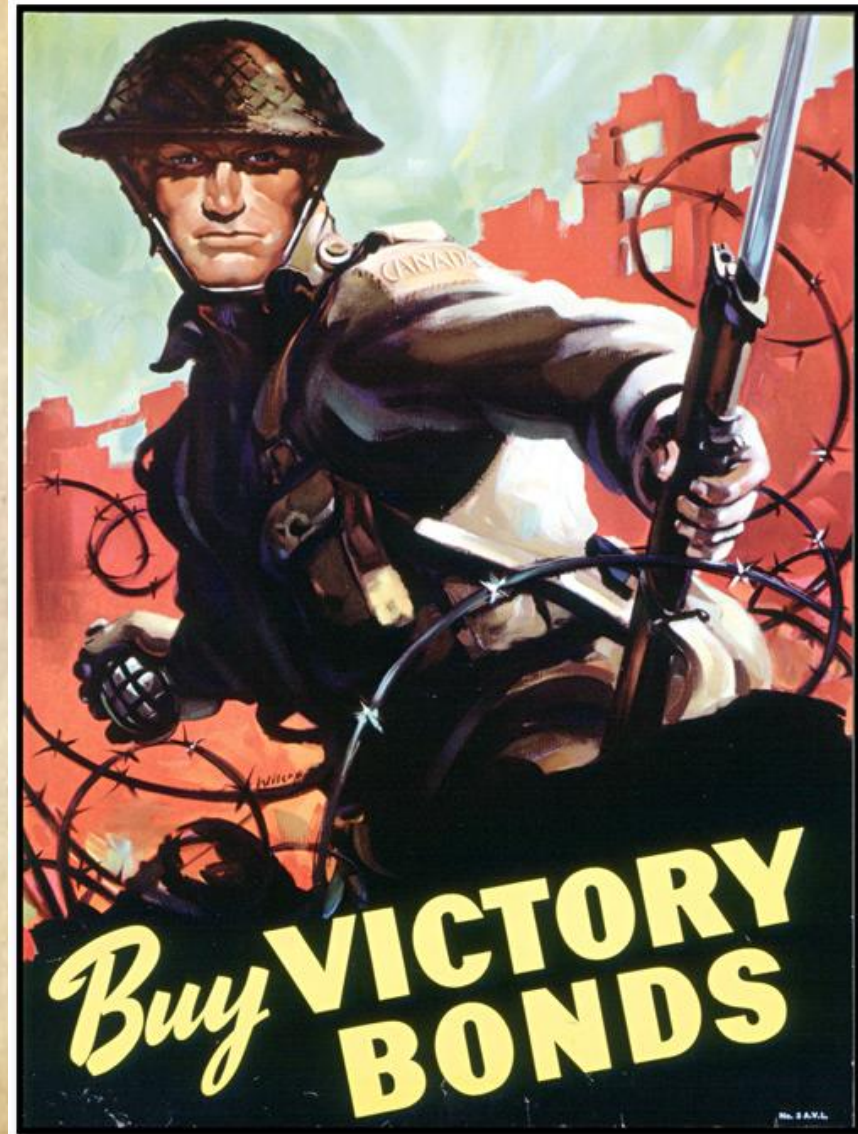


# Victory Bonds

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**What** = Government borrowed money by selling victory bonds to the general public. Redemption of money after 5, 10, or 20 years with 5.5% interest.

**Earnings** = More than 3 million Canadians bought VBs = \$738 million



# War Income Tax

**What =** A direct tax established in 1917. The government collected **3%** of gross earnings (before deductions) from a family that earned more than **\$3000** a year and from individuals who earned more than **\$1500** a year.

**This did not end with the war as the government promised!**

DOMINION OF CANADA  
INCOME TAX

RETURN OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1918, AS REQUIRED BY  
THE INCOME WAR TAX ACT, 1917, AS AMENDED

All returns should be prepared in triplicate. One copy should be retained by the taxpayer and two copies must be delivered to the Inspector of Taxation, 604 Trust & Loan Bldg., Winnipeg, Man., on or before 28th February, 1919.

Name *W. J. Dincon* *William Wardlaw*  
(Surname) (Christian names in full)

Name in full and address of Employer or Firm or Trading name for year 1918  
*McDermine & Sons, Ho. Doro, Ont.*

Occupation or Nature of Business *Bank Manager*

P.O. Address of present Residence *100 St. James St. Montreal, Que.*

Place of residence during 1917 *Montreal, Que.*

Did you make a return for 1917? *Yes* Have you been Assessed for 1917? *Yes*

State whether married or unmarried, widow or widower *Unmarried*  
(If status was changed during the year, state date of change)

If a widow or widower state number and ages of dependent children (if any) under the age of twenty-one years  
*Nil*

I hereby certify that the return embodied herein, the supplementary statements and additional schedules attached, if any, contains a true and complete statement of my Gross Income and Deductions claimed for the year 1918.

Date *Feb 27/19* Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Signature *W. J. Dincon*

N.B.—It is essential that taxpayers notify the Inspector of Taxation to whom return has been made, of any change in address.

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in carefully the answers to the above questions and the particulars required on pages 2 and 3 of this form. Write "none" opposite any heading under which you have no income or deductions to report. All persons engaged in business including members of trading partnerships should attach to this return a certified financial statement of the business including Assets and Liabilities, Trading and Profit and Loss Accounts for the accounting period ended in 1918, showing how the amount of item No. 3 on page 2 is ascertained. Those who are unable to provide such a statement owing to lack of sufficient accounting records, must fill in particulars of their business in the schedule provided on page 4 of this return.

It is important to give all the information asked for as otherwise the amount of the exemption and the tax assessable, if any, cannot be determined by the assessing officer without further inquiry.

A Special Form T-1A has been provided for the use of farmers, but in the case of a taxpayer carrying on a farming business in addition to his regular occupation he should use Schedule 10, page 2, for the Gross Income therefrom and Schedule 20, page 3, for the Expenses in connection therewith.

PENALTIES: The Income War Tax Act, 1917, provides that every person required to make an Income Tax return who fails to do so is liable to a penalty of \$100.00 for every day during which the default continues. Also that any person making a false statement in any return is liable to a penalty not exceeding \$10,000.00 or to six months' imprisonment or to both fine and imprisonment.

# Sacrifices

Are YOU breaking the Law?



CANADA  
FOOD BOARD  
ORDER

FOOD HOARDERS  
Fines \$100 to \$1000  
or  
3 months Prison  
or  
Both



**PATRIOTIC CANADIANS  
WILL NOT HOARD FOOD**

## Rationing

- Limiting purchases of scarce goods during the war

LETTERS NUMBERS Prefix and Serial Number  
No de Série (avec lettres)

HN 226067

LETTERS NUMÉROS


Name *SMITH JOHN Douglas*  
Nom Last Name—Nom de famille First Name—Prénom

Street Address or R.R. No. *268 JACKSON St. W.*  
No et rue ou R.R. No.

City or Town *HAMILTON*  
Ville ou Village

Province *Ont.* Telephone Number } Numéro de Téléphone

**RATION BOOK 6**



**CARNET DE RATIONNEMENT 6**

CANADA

RB-275



Drawn by R. E. Johnston, and published by the courtesy of "Remember Night," Toronto

**"REMEMBER WE MUST FEED DADDY TOO."**



**BOYS TO THE FARM**  
Bring your chum and do your bit

**"Soldiers Of the Soil"**

**This is the OFFICIAL UNIFORM**  
Authorized by the  
**CANADA FOOD BOARD**

Each Suit Bears  
this Label

Manufactured exclusively by the  
**MONTREAL SHIRT & OVERALL CO.**  
LIMITED, MONTREAL

# “Enemy Aliens”



- 500,000 German, Austrian, Hungarian who were residents or citizens of Canada
- Fears of sabotage, spying

# “Enemy Aliens”

## War Measures Act

- Placed restrictions on them
- Many were fired from jobs
- Could be arrested/searched
- Sent to internment camps in remote areas
- “Censorship”- banning books, etc. in enemy languages



*Pekwawa Internment Camp: Arrival of Alien Enemies.*

Source: A. A. Chesterfield Fonds, Queen's University Archives



*Petawawa Internment Camp: Men airing their bedding.*

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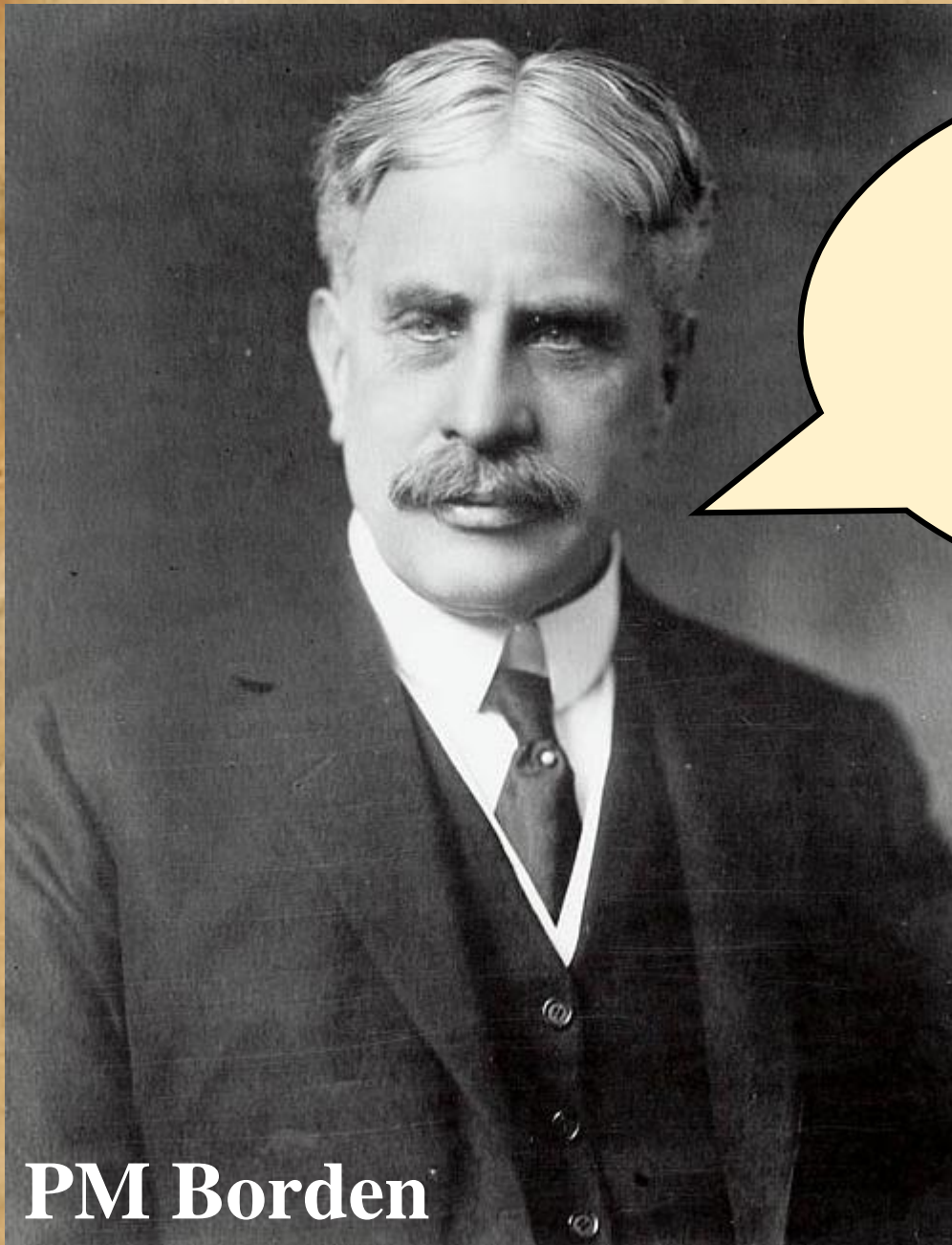


# Conscription, 1917

= Compulsory (forced) military service

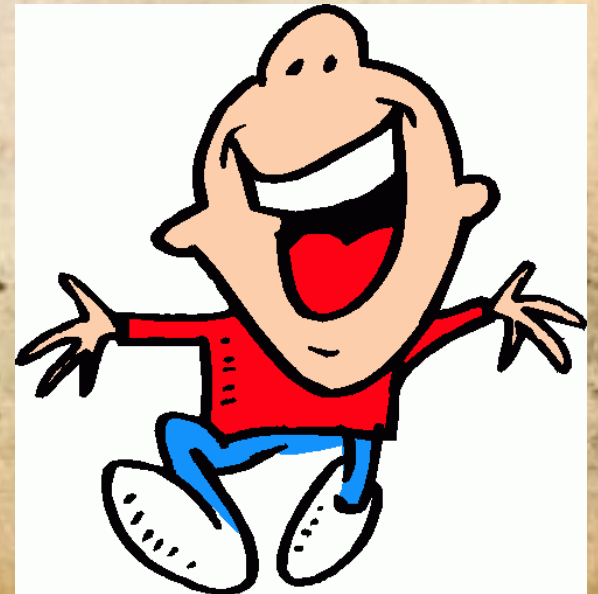


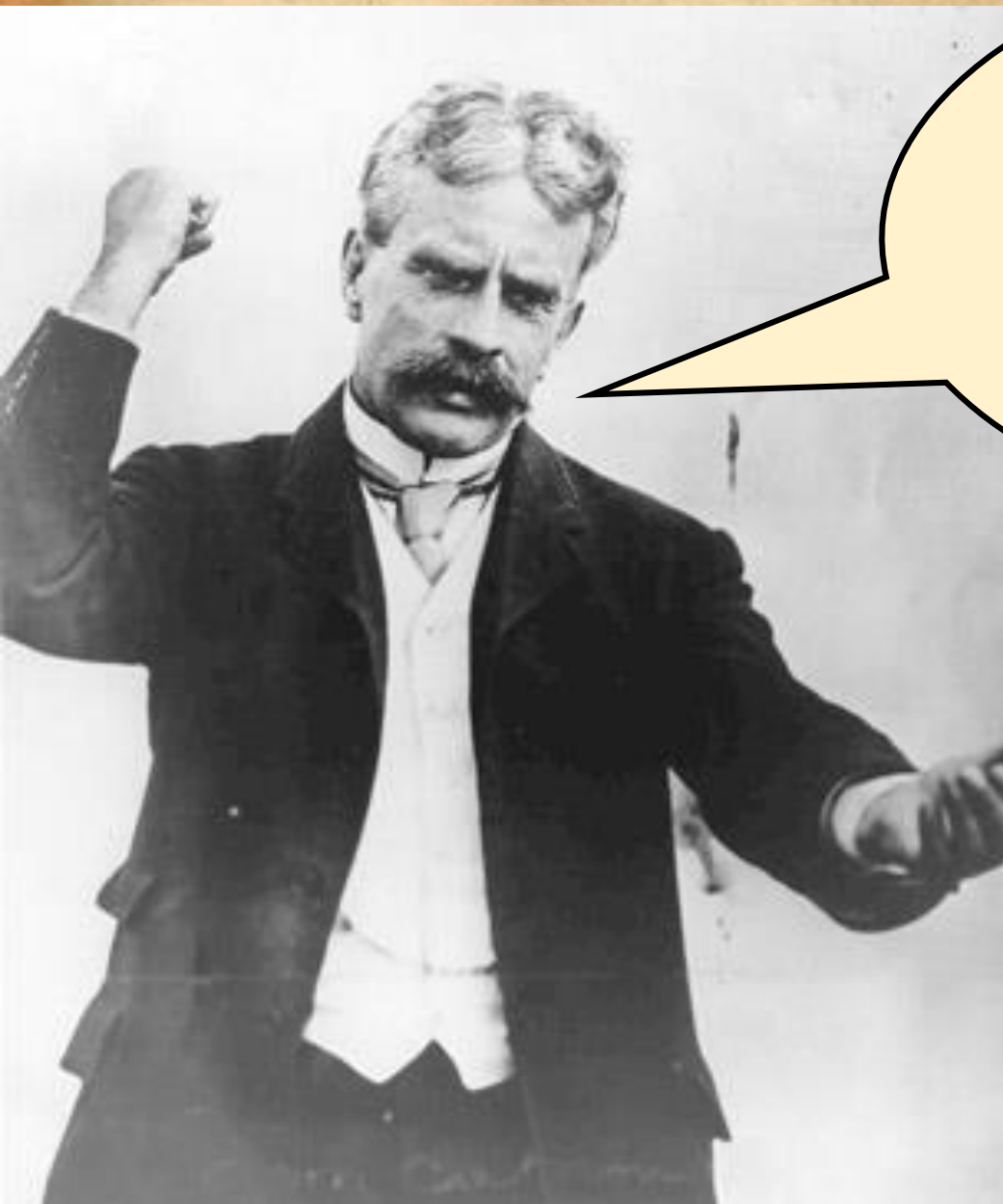
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-cu7Jy2gDBg> (1:08)



PM Borden

Don't worry... we  
won't make you fight  
in the war... no  
conscription!

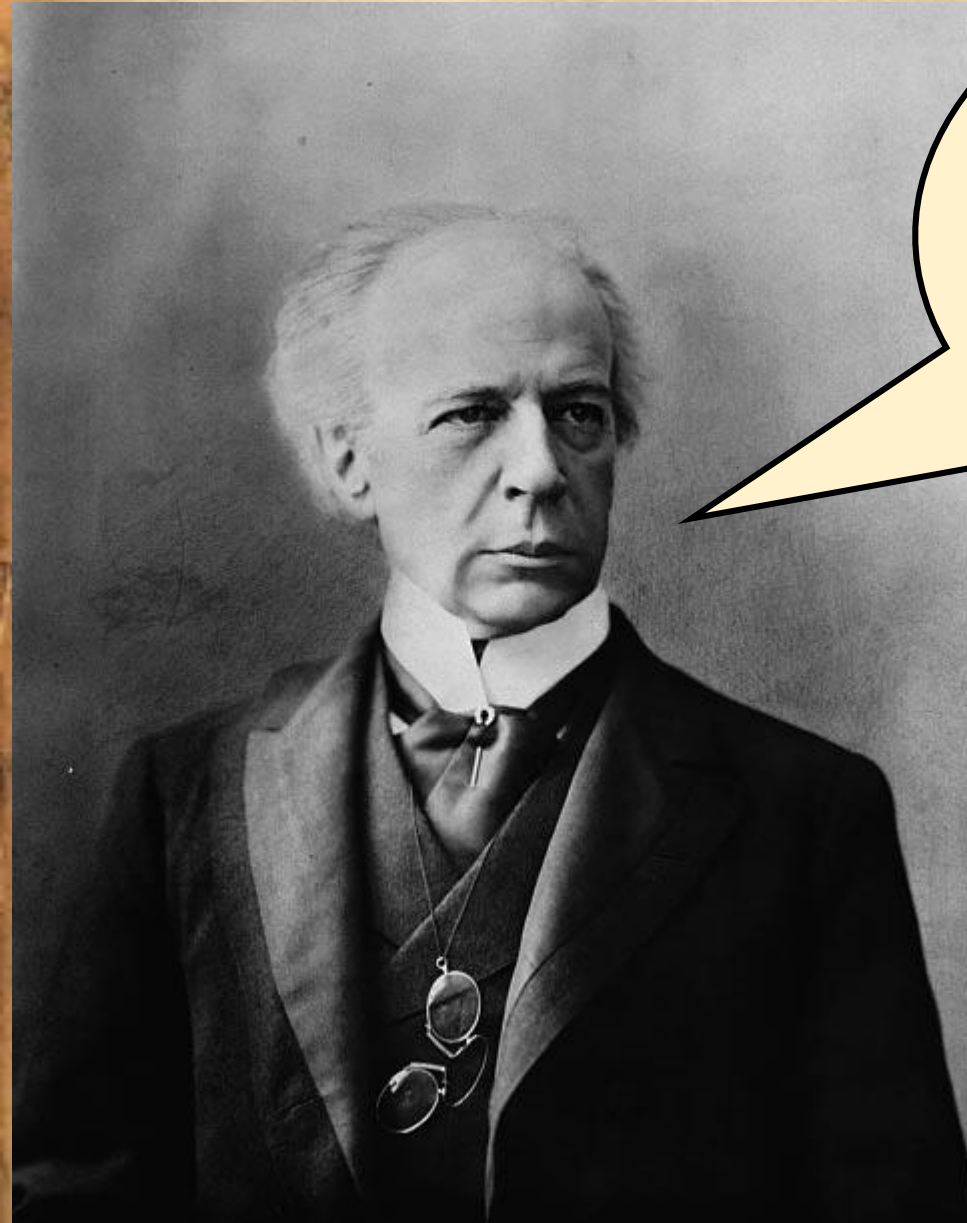




**PM Borden**

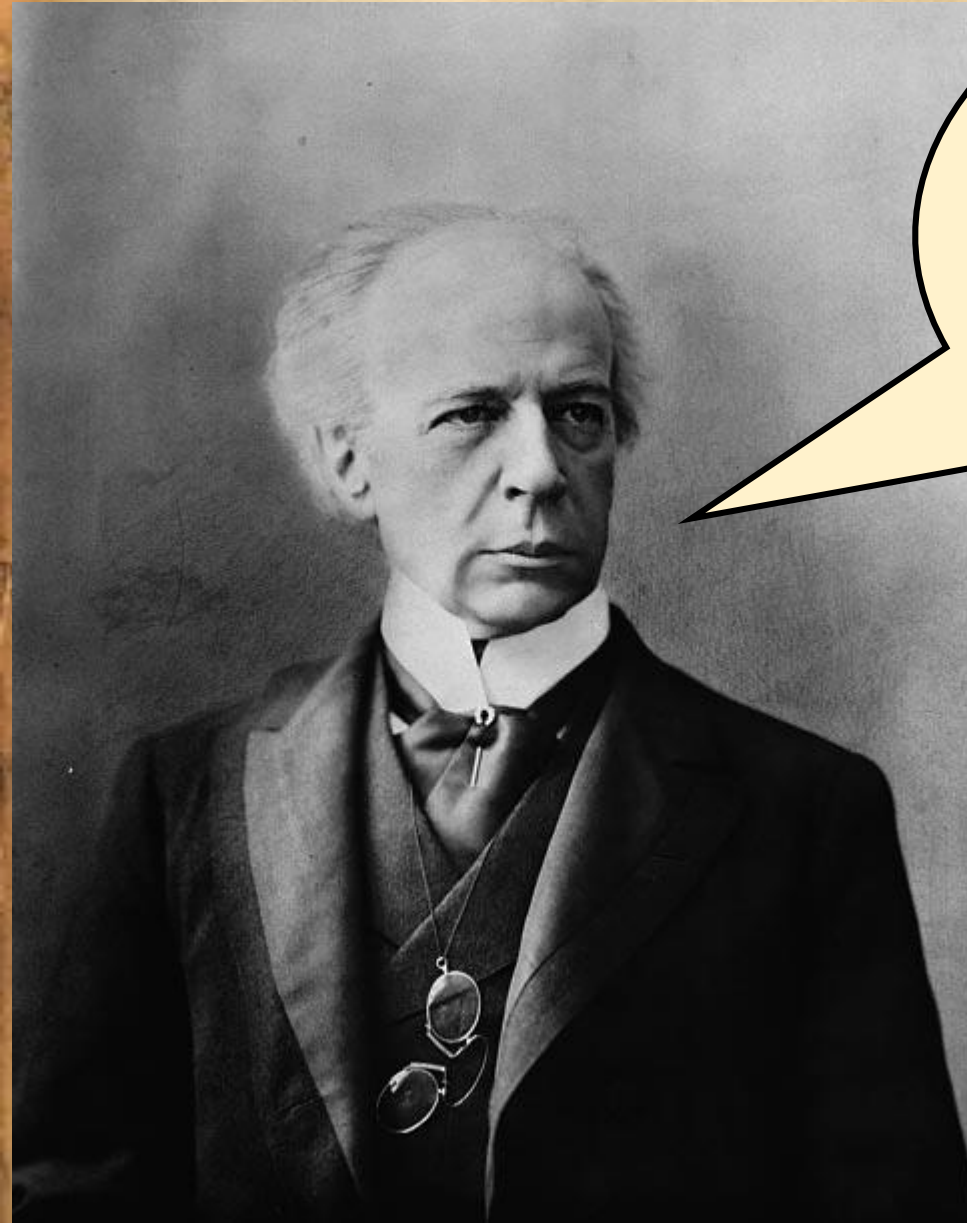
**We don't have enough  
soldiers... they keep  
dying and we have few  
volunteers...  
CONSCRIPTION!!!!**





**NOPE!**  
The law of the land  
declares that **NO** man in  
Canada shall be  
subjected to compulsory  
military service except to  
repel invasions!

(Wilfred Laurier, leader of  
the opposition and former  
Prime Minister)



**Borden, If you do this, it  
will alienate Quebec, and  
tear Canada apart!!!**

(Wilfred Laurier, leader of  
the opposition and former  
Prime Minister)



**PM Borden**

**I'm doing it anyways!!  
CONSCRIPTION!**



# Military Services Act: 1917

- Makes enlistment mandatory for all men 19-45
- Exemptions to several groups including **conscientious objectors** (people who opposed fighting on moral or religious grounds)
- Many French Canadians were against conscription especially **Henri Bourassa**.



Borden knows he must do something to sway voters in his direction...



**Conscription riot in Montreal protesting the Military Service Bill**



## Military Voter's Act

- All British subjects (male and female) who were part of the Canadian Armed forces could vote.
- Voting was done overseas  
Significance: Most people who were in the Canadian Armed Forces would vote for conscription because they were already in the Armed Forces.

## Wartime Elections Act

- All wives, sisters, mothers and daughters of soldiers who are fighting overseas or have fought overseas would be granted the vote.
- The right to vote was denied to conscientious objectors, and those of enemy birth.
- Significance: All women who had relatives fighting overseas would support conscription.
- Conscientious objectors (clearly against conscription) would be denied the vote.



**Canadian nurses voting in France**

# Task

**Complete Conscription “pros”  
and “cons” chart using your  
textbook, pages 69-70**