

# PATRONAGE DISPENSERS NOT YET OUT OF BUSINESS

Political Associations are Still Making Recommendations to the Union Government--The Ottawa Journal Thinks that Civil Service Reform has Become Stalled --Suggests That a Census of Employees Be Taken.

(Toronto Globe.)  
Who is obstructing Canada's new War Union Government in the carrying out of its pledge to abolish patronage and the spoils system? Why

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the delay? What is the meaning of the fact that political associations are still "recommending for appointment" and that partisans are still counting on "pull"? If the Administration stands by the pre-election scrap of paper upon which it asked and received a mandate from the people, it had better get busy at once. Action is overdue.

The Ottawa Journal properly calls attention to this matter. Civil service reform, it says, insofar as it applies to appointments to the outside service and to temporary positions, seems to have got stalled. These appointments "are still being made in the old-fashioned way, and some of the departments are still putting on large numbers of temporary employees without

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any reference to the Civil Service Commission, and largely without any real consideration of the qualifications of the appointees"

The Journal is right. It knows what it is talking about. One of the first duties of the newly-elected Administration in December last should have been the promulgation by order in council of an edict ending the scandalous spoils system. Yet the Globe learns that party executives and patronage committees are still doing business at the old stand and in the old way. This must stop — and at once.

Until parliament meets and the necessary legislation is enacted to reor-

ganize and reform the whole system, the cabinet must move by order in council under the War Measures Act. That it should have done before now. There is no excuse for further delay. The order should issue within forty-eight hours. The ministers are committed to it, and the country has given them their mandate.

Preparation of the permanent measure to be submitted to parliament should then be proceeded with. Our Ottawa contemporary counsels a complete overhauling of the Civil Service at the capital with a view to ascertaining whether its resources are being conserved in accordance with the national obligations of wartime patriotism. Much extra work has been thrust on certain of the departments, while on the other hand, not a few pre-war offices have become sinecures. There are whole staffs, it suggests, who have been deserted by their occupations and expensive machinery is lying idle and going to decay. What is needed, according to the Journal, is thorough reorganization, even though that reorganization be temporary. "A census of employees and what they are doing, with comments on their necessity or otherwise, should be taken to the end that branches and departments which are overmanned contribute to the branches and departments which short of efficient help."

The recommendation is business-like. It deserves attention from the government. Its adoption should contribute to efficiency and economy in this time of stress and to facility in readjustment when the war is won. As to the new and necessary appointments in all branches of the Civil Service, inside and outside, The Globe believes that parliament should adopt two general principles. The returned soldier should have first claim upon any position he is capable of filling in the civil service of the country he has served, and, after the soldier, the basis of decision

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