

ONTARIO BACKS WAR TO THE END

Legislature Asks People to Make it First Duty

LEADERS SPEAK IN HOUSE

**Crucial Nature of Present Situation
Realized and Call Made for Every
Possible Effort — No Sacrifice Too
Great.**

"In no part of the British Empire must Britons be found wanting in this crucial day."—Sir Wm. Hearst.

"We have no right to ask or expect a father or mother in England, Ireland or Scotland to make sacrifices that we should not be equally ready to make."—Mr. N. W. Rowell.

Ontario's Legislature, with unstinted enthusiasm, recorded its approval yesterday of the allies' war policy, expressed appreciation of the heroic services of Canadians on the battlefield, and called upon the people of the Province to keep the successful prosecution of the war above all other considerations. Earnest patriotic speeches were delivered by Sir William Hearst and Mr. Rowell, who moved and seconded the resolution respectively, and other members of the House. After the resolution was adopted the legislators sang "God Save the King."

Ontario United For Allies.

The resolution, copies of which will be sent to Mr. Lloyd George, Prime Minister of Britain, and the Commanding Officers of Ontario regiments in France, Britain, and Ontario, was in the following terms:

"That we, the members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario individually and as a body, hereby re-affirm our belief in the righteousness of the cause for which Great Britain and her allies are fighting, and record our approval of the firm and statesmanlike answer given by the allied Governments to the recent peace overtures made by the President of the United States and by the Teutonic powers. We heartily endorse the declaration that no peace is possible until the objects for which the allies are united have been achieved in such a way as to insure the future security of civilization against a repetition of the wrongs that have been inflicted upon it.

"We desire to express our most earnest appreciation of the splendid and heroic services of Canadians on the field of battle, as well as our admiration of their patriotism, determination and dauntless courage on all occasions. We recognize, moreover, in the cheerful and uncomplaining demeanor of our wounded and suffering soldiers qualities which none the less indicate valor of the highest order and appeal to our gratitude as a nation.

"We hereby solemnly pledge ourselves anew to assist in every way in our power in the struggle for freedom, alike by increasing our fighting strength and military resources, by conserving our energies as a people and by exercising industry, thrift and economy.