

Conscription

- In the first two years of the war 350,000
 Canadians volunteered for the military
- By 1916 the flow of volunteers dried up. Why?
- Borden and the Conservatives decided to pass the <u>Military Service Act</u> which conscripted, or drafted, single men between the ages of 20 and 35

• Who was opposed to conscription?

- Farmers
- Manufacturers
- French-Canadians
- Passifists

120,000 conscripts were raised in WWI

Women in WWI

- Women played many roles in WWI in Canada:
 - Nurses
 - Military office personnel
 - Ambulance Drivers
 - Worked on farms
 - Worked in factories
 - Raised houses full of children

Women who worked in factories were paid less than half of what We Can Do It! men made

What happens to these women after the war is over and the men return???

 Most women lost their jobs after the war ended

Suffrage Movement

<u>Suffrage:</u> the right to vote

- As women ran the country while the men were at war, they gained more power politically
- In 1917, Borden passed the <u>Wartime</u>
 <u>Elections Act</u>
- In 1918, he passed the <u>Federal Women's</u> <u>Franchise Act</u>

Women before WWI

Women after WWI