

THE END OF THE COALITION

There was air of pre-war excitement at Westminster when the all-party Government formed by Mr. Churchill in 1940 came to an end. The Labour-Party Conference had decided that its Ministers should not continue in the administration. The House of Commons was once more back to Party Politics, and dominating the political scene is now the shadow of the forthcoming election. The government has decided to go to the electorate.

There was a final gathering in the garden of No. 10 Downing Street of the administration that steered the country to victory over Germany. Under the Prime Minister this team ~~made~~ made up one of the most efficient governments of modern time. Its task is victoriously concluded; a new House of Commons, elected to wage the Japanese war and deal with the problems of peace will ~~breath~~ breathe new life into British politics. For the work of the old government the nation is full of gratitude.