

The Ottawa Spotlight

By Wilfrid Eggleston

Ottawa, December 15.—A substantial improvement in the value of Canadian field crops is one of the brightest news items which have come out of the Bureau of Statistics for some time. The gross value of production was \$85,000,000 higher this year than last year; and at the best level for six years. It would not be true to say that the cash income of the Canadian farmer from field crops was up quite that amount, because some of the crops are fed right on the farm. Just the same, it means that the farm income is the best since 1930, and as it was accomplished during a year when only light harvests were secured in many parts of the country, it is all the more significant. The gains were not evenly distributed throughout the country. The increase in Prince Edward Island (over 1935) was 20%; Nova Scotia 14%; New Brunswick 39%; Quebec 16%; Ontario 18%; Manitoba 49%; Saskatchewan 15%; Alberta 1% and British Columbia 21%. The gains were, of course, almost entirely due to better farm prices. Since a great deal of the secondary industry of Canada depends upon farm purchasing power, these are encouraging figures for many parts of Canada. A good deal of that extra \$5 million dollars will find its way into commercial channels at once.

Shock of Abdication

The news of the King's abdication fell upon the capital like a thunderbolt. If the time and geographic element had not made it impossible, there is no doubt that a special session of parliament would have been called so as to be sitting when the momentous announcement was made. If it had been, legislation would immediately have been passed concurrent with that in the British House. As this was impossible, the next best thing was to call a special session of cabinet council, and there an order was approved requesting the British government to include the Dominion of Canada in the necessary legislation. The Canadian capital heard of the news with profound regret subsequently mingled with some relief and resignation that it was over. Aside from the coronation plans, the designs which had been completed for stamps, coins and bills, it was not apparent in the early stages that the abdication would have any deep lasting effect on Canadian affairs. It was clear everywhere that allegiance and reverence would be amply paid to the new monarch.

The Provincial Conference

Eight provincial premiers and a host of ministers and officials gathered at the capital for the National Finance Committee's sittings last week. The whole question of provincial budgetary positions, the need for further help in balancing budgets, the desirability of better timing for loans, and the need of greater uniformity in fiscal statements, were threshed out. It was decided that the obsolete 'gold clause' which was contained in many bond issues, of governments and corporations, would be eliminated by legislation. When Canada went off the gold standard, there was still in existence clauses in many bond issues requiring, if strictly adhered to, the payment at maturity in gold at \$20.67 per fine ounce. Of course gold could not be secured by private corporations, or even, perhaps by provincial governments, and the payments were never insisted upon. It would have ruined anyone who tried it, because the dollar, in terms of the old gold standard, was now only worth about 59 cents. A \$1000 bond would have required over \$1600 in gold to redeem it.

The simplest and easiest way for the provinces to get out of the woods would be to get some more large hand-outs from the federal government. The trouble with that solution is that the federal government has gone behind about a billion dollars in the past six years, and doesn't think that the process can be continued indefinitely without heading into disaster. The provinces, I understand, were told that last week by Hon. Chas. Dunning, who is just as anxious to balance his budget as anyone.

New Export Plans

The conference this week of the agricultural authorities is expected to bear important fruit in a strengthening of the farm export machinery. Hon. J. S. Gardiner is a great believer in push-

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OTTAWA.

Once more it is my privilege to appeal to the Canadian people to support the Tuberculosis Association in their campaign against one of the most dreaded scourges of modern times. The war against tuberculosis is not, however, a losing cause. Every year fresh victories are won, and there is every hope that within a reasonable time tuberculosis may be as much a rarity as some of the other diseases that have yielded to the forces of science, properly applied.

In these days we hear much of the clash of conflicting ideals, the suspicions and fears which have caused unrest and uncertainty, but tuberculosis is the enemy of us all. Here we are on common ground in breaking its onslaught.

As Patron of the Association, I warmly commend its great efforts in the cause of humanity. In particular, I appeal to all my fellow-Canadians to give their most generous support to the sale of Christmas Seals. At this season of the year, our thoughts turn to the children. With their care and protection is bound up the whole future of our national welfare. In saving their lives and preventing the spread of tuberculosis, the public owes a tremendous debt to the Tuberculosis Association, and I know I shall not appeal in vain when I ask for your whole-hearted support.

Christmas, 1936.

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OFFERED TO SELL BABY FOR \$75

Reports that Lillian Cornell, 18, and her father, Jim Cornell, 54, had attempted to sell Miss Cornell's two-months-old baby on the streets of Baton Rouge, La., for \$75 led to an investigation by authorities. Meanwhile, both father and daughter, alleged hitch-hikers from Alabama, were held in custody, pending further check of the case and their conflicting stories as to the paternity of the child.

HEALTH

A HEALTH SERVICE OF
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ASSOCIATION AND LIFE
INSURANCE COMPANIES
IN CANADA



DON'T WORRY

Someone has said that the Creator must have intended mankind to worry as practically everybody requires to be examined. Worry causes unhappiness. Worry causes insomnia. Worry causes indigestion. Worry causes mental upsets. Worry may cause complete breakdown; and the Creator must not be held responsible.

It has been said also that worry is a sin. Be that as it may, worry is one of the greatest scourges known to mankind. It does not claim as many lives as cancer, but it attacks many more people. It is the great unseen plague. Unlike the infectious diseases, we can not ascribe it as due to any specific germ, but it is a disease and it can be cured.

A run down system, some chronic infection, overwork, eye-

strain, maladjustment in occupation, or unsatisfactory home conditions,—these and many other cause may bring about a state of anxiety, fear and worry. The thing to do is this: first, find out by proper and thorough examination, if any physical or organic condition is the cause. If so, every effort should be made to put that right. But if the cause is not to be found in the bodily functions, then an endeavor should be made to reason out the situation. Many persons will testify that worry which hangs over them like great oppressive clouds, has vanished into thin air by being looked at and laughed at. Make up your mind that you were born to be happy, that you have a right to enjoy life, that you will take your share of the bitter with the sweet. If adjustments are required in work, environment or home life, carry them out. Practically no price is too high to pay to rid oneself of worry. Worry can be cured. Do not worry!

Questions concerning Health, addressed to the Canadian Medical Association, 184 College Street, Toronto, will be answered personally by letter.

District Ore Shipments

The T. & N.O. Railway reporting at the week-end that there were 40 cars of ore shipped from mines at Cobalt during the period October 15th to December 11th this year. The total amount of the shipments was 1,734 tons and 420 pounds. Cobalt Properties Limited shipper the greater part done to solve the problems of the farmer in this country. At the same time the three western provinces are discussing with the Dominion further long-range plans dealing with drought areas.

C. N. R. Earnings Show Further Increase

Gross revenues of the all-inclusive Canadian National Railways System for the week ending December 7, 1936, were \$3,623,039, as compared with \$3,442,867 for the corresponding period of 1935, in increase of \$180,172.

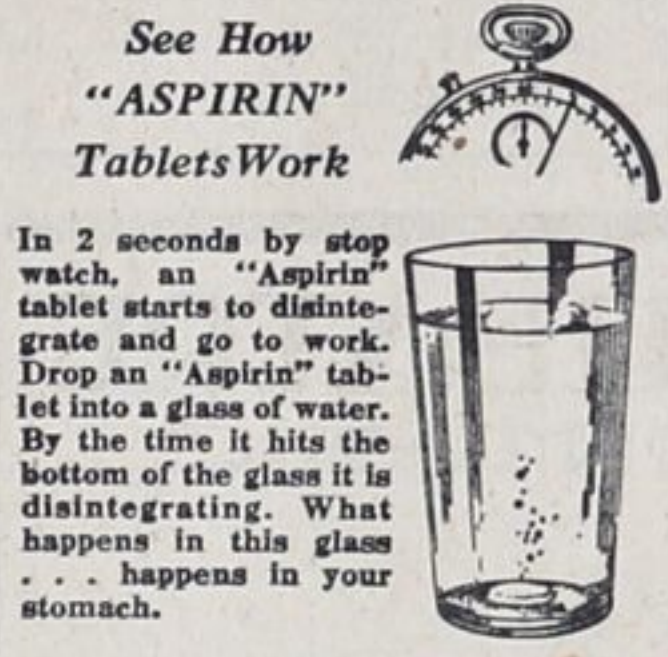
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Holland	f 1.52
Devonshire	f 1.59
Nellie Lake	f 2.10
Porquus	2.30
Monteith	2.50
Val Gagne	2.58
Matheson	3.14
Ramore	3.31
Bourkes	3.51
Sesekimika	f 4.02
Swastika	4.22
Boston Creek	f 4.44
Egglehart	5.10
Heaslip	f 5.32
Earlton	5.46
Thornloe	5.55
Uno Park	6.06
New Liskeard	6.20
Haileybury	6.34
Cobalt	6.51
Latchford	7.09
Goward	f 7.42
Temagami	8.05
Ar. North Bay	10.10
Lv. North Bay	10.59
Ar. Toronto	6.40 a.m.

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