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**EDITORIAL****Don't Push**

We recall during one of the war year's being at a fall fair and the baby show was being held not far from the midway. We were trying to get sufficient room to photograph the prize winners and the babies didn't seem to understand their rise to the halls of fame and refused to smile all at once. We had just asked the crowd about to give elbow room for a moment and stepped back when one of the human obstacles we met shouted in no uncertain terms, "Don't Push." We looked down and it was a well seasoned soldier with several service ribbons and with sufficient of that fighting spirit in him to defy the colonel and he kept repeating the words "Don't Push" even though the need for room had ceased to exist and any pushing had likewise ceased.

We thought about those words many times since it came to our mind when we read the account of labor union leaders taking an opportunity to meet Mr. Howe that wasn't on his schedule for his few hours of relaxation. We thought of it again this week when we read of a delegation of unionists storming Ottawa to enforce their demands. We thought of it many times during the months when we had little help to do the work that was required and longer hours have been necessary to partially meet the demand.

There are a lot of frayed nerves in this reconversion period even civilians have them as well as servicemen. People are not in the mood to be pushed—they've had six years of being pushed about. Perhaps it would be well for us all to remember this. It may make a smoother reconversion.

**Roll Over for Another Hour**

Add an hour a day to man's life and you extend the scriptural span by three years. Take an hour a day off a farmer's life and you cause trouble—and that's what happened when the efficiency experts started toying with established time.

The trouble brewed up when some fiendish city-dweller with a nine-to-five job devised daylight-saving time is cooling off. Pretty soon country folk will be getting up with the sun instead of ahead of it—and milking will be timed to suit the cows and not the railroads.

No wartime restriction so irked the farmer as abolition of standard time, an arbitrary infraction of nature's laws for which farm people never could see sound reason. Once they get standard time back, only a fast-thinking government will whisk it away again, even for a summer.

At that, Canada's rural residents had it easy compared to the British farmer with his double dose of daylight-saving during the war. As the war started, he faced British Summer Time which means one more hour of morning darkness, like daylight time in Canada. Soon the British government invented Double British Summer Time which brought milking time to 4 a.m. instead of two hours later.

Under D. B. S. T., even the city folk in England had their worries. The sun glowed feebly in the east as Londoners felt their way through the fog to catch the 8 a.m. (really 6 a.m.—of course) bus from Clapham to the office. Yet in winter, the sunset blackout curtains were drawn often before they got away from work.

In the States, year-round daylight-saving time (called War Time) vanishes with the advent of peace. Canada follows suit and her farmers get a chance once again to get out on the land not deep in dew and to have the hired man work until dark instead of ducking into town while it's still daylight.

Now that there's not a war on, the best sign of the peacetime norm out in the country will be that it's nice to get up in the mornin' when the sun begins to shine.

**World Brotherhood?**

At a time when restrictions are being generally lifted and when most folks feel that we should be emerging from wartime regulations we have meat rationing brought in again. And with what a variety of opinions it is greeted. Nobody likes it. In fact all restrictions are irksome. The opinions given from many quarters are certainly confusing. Personally we don't like it. We don't blame meat dealers for not liking it and the added work it means.

There is only one thing to justify it, and that is sharing from our plenty with other folks who have been closer to the ravages of war than we have. We've talked to many of the boys returning from overseas. They're delighted to get back to homes in Canada and they like the more plentiful menus that are obtainable here.

When we compare some of the rations allowed in England and other European countries it does not seem too much to ask that we share out plenty for awhile until they recover and can produce more themselves. Meat rationing is one way we can extend a helping hand to others less fortunate and perhaps put into practice some broader world brotherhood. It's up to the individual Canadians to eventually decide the matter. They can help or they can hinder but it's the practical and not the empty promises that build world friendship.

**"Labor Doesn't Want Inflation"**

Labor doesn't want inflation, it wants security. William Genoves, president of the Toronto District Trades and Labor Council, stated last week. That is an understandable and reasonable aim and it will be echoed by most Canadians, farmers, white collar workers, professional men, as well as labor. Real inflation would be a tragedy for all of them. But those other people and most of responsible labor too, will have difficulty in supporting Mr. Genoves' theory that higher wages do not constitute inflation.

Quoting from a Toronto newspaper here is what he said: "We wouldn't consider that a man receiving the same rate of pay for 40 hours a week as he formerly did for 48 hours, was creating inflation. We would consider that was creating security."

Let's see how that would work out. Suppose a worker is getting 75 cents an hour. For a 48-hour week this would amount to \$36. Mr. Genoves would cut this man's working weeks to 40 hours but pay him the same weekly total. In other words this would be a wage increase of 15 cents an hour.

Now suppose the factory employing this man is turning out stoves selling at \$50 apiece. Into these stoves go 40 man hours, or \$30 worth of labor at the old rates. Under the Genoves plan of the same pay for 40 hours as was formerly paid for 48 there is an immediate increase in labor cost of \$24.12.

That may not be much in the way of inflation according to German or Chinese standards but it is very real inflation according to Canadian and it hits all consumers—the wife of the worker who builds stoves as well as the wives of farmers, white collared workers and everyone else. Furthermore producers of other products would naturally demand increases, and prices would climb faster and faster, spurred on by rising costs and fewer goods turned out.

In the reconversion period which has rushed down upon us must faster than anticipated, some difficult and temporary painful adjustments must be faced. But we are not going to make them less painful or difficult by using the wrong labels. Shorter hours and higher hourly wages, no matter how desirable, are inflationary factors and especially at this critical period when the whole country is so short of consumer goods. Financial Post.

**Big University Classes**

Anticipating an eventual registration of more than 30,000 ex-servicemen by the time demobilization of the armed services has been completed, Canadian universities this month are gearing themselves for an educational job on mass-production lines that promises to revolutionize the teaching theories they have held for literally generations.

On May 31 of this year, 1,500 returned men were in attendance at Canadian universities. This month that figure will be doubled at least. The figures are infinitesimal compared to what may be expected in 1946, but from their modest start educational authorities have already learned much concerning the special problems involved in this ambitious postwar educational program.

That the problem is a big one is indicated by the sheer numbers involved. The total number of full-time students in Canadian universities immediately before the war was about 35,000. If present calculations prove correct—and educational authorities across Canada are convinced they will—the influx of ex-servicemen and women a tremendous increase in student body necessitating a tremendous increase in teaching staff, classroom facilities, laboratory equipment and all other paraphernalia required for modern study.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

Meet you at the Fair on Saturday—Acton Fair, of course.

1946 motor cars will only carry one license plate this year. After all it is just as well not to overload them more than necessary.

**French Lassies****Merry Comrades  
But Love Paris**

Many friendships are made by servicemen in gay capital but few blossoms into romance.

PARIS (CP)—When boy meets girl in Paris it doesn't always end in a lifelong romance. Most of the meetings which take place when a serviceman gets a few days leave in the gay city are fleeting incidents and few broken hearts are left behind.

The various hospitality centres which provide a whole series of dazzling blouses and affliting Frenchmen in order are not in the morning market.

French girls like a good time, they explained at Canada Corner, the hospitality centre run by the Federal Institute of Education in the Avenue de l'Opera. "But to marry and go right away to Canada or the United States is different," said the girls. "The poor little things are scared of the thought of going far away and want to stay at home in Paris." They'll marry the Frenchmen in the end.

**Lasting Friendships**

But though we get few real romances there are many lasting friendships made. In years to come many a British Tommy and Canadian will come back here, perhaps with his wife and all the children and seek out again the girl he used to talk around on Paris leave.

They showed how they keep a register of all the girls' names and "Two Hundred Families" of France all the facts concerning her, notes on her age, personal appearance and qualities as hostess. The notes are coolly, business-like, oftentimes cruel but the book containing them is carefully locked away. One I saw listed as "not pretty but very gay and talkative."

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