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## EDITORIAL

### Pattern For Statesmanship

The atomic bomb pushed the news of the Dominion-Provincial Conference out of the national spotlight last August. But just as the terrific light of atomic energy has shown us that nations must learn to live together peacefully or perish from the earth, it reveals to us also that Canadians from all provinces must learn this lesson too.

Experts from the provinces and the Dominion are in Ottawa now working on the proposals of the Conference, and the provincial premiers will have further sessions with the Dominion Government at the end of January. The interest and concern shown by the country in these fundamental problems has been shockingly little; yet upon their satisfactory solution the future of Canada depends. If we want our leaders to show statesmanship of a high order at this crucial time, then we must show them that we will back unselfish, just and far-sighted policies. For each country gets exactly the kind of leadership it deserves.

Surely it is plain that the wealth of all provinces must be distributed fairly, for our whole economy is inter-dependent. If the rich provinces refuse to share with the less fortunate, we will certainly not be building in our country the new world that Canadians have worked and died to create. Ours has been a proud record before the world where we have shown we will co-operate fully in any prospect for the common good. But real and costly co-operation must be born at home, springing from our deep love of this land and each other, springing from our gratitude to God that we have such great possessions to share together.

At the beginning of this year President Truman said, "1946 is the year of decision. This year we lay the foundation of our economic structure which will have to serve for generations." Dr. Frank N. D. Buchanan, leader of The Oxford Group said in a speech in 1938, "Suppose everybody cared enough, everybody shared enough, wouldn't everybody have enough? There is enough in the world for everyone's need, but not enough for everyone's greed."

Canada can set a pattern for a new economy at home which will be an example all the world can follow.

### A Climbing Sport

Many day dream of golden sands and palm trees when the mercury slides but thousands of ski enthusiasts go into action with wax and cloth, whooping with delight as the new flakes being to pile up on the slopes.

Toddlers on front lawns soon mark out strange designs with their abbreviated skis while their elders head for the hills in cars bristling with equipment. Many Canadian skiers have not had a snow-happy winter and they make the best of each opportunity.

The popularity of the sport has grown tremendously in the past 10 years. Clubs have increased from a handful of experts to associations that number thousands on their rolls. Skiing bids fair soon to rival all others in Canada as a participatory sport.

Enthusiasts say the sensation of speed experienced while dropping down a smooth, steep slope is matched only by flying an airplane close to the ground. They claim that the Canadian landscape is most beautiful when its lines are softened by a deep covering of snow. Their assertions lead to the belief that if horse racing is the sport of kings, skiing must be the sport of poets.

The monotonous yet musical rhymes of the cash register are welcome sounds in the ears of resort owners throughout the Dominion who cater to the hickory trade. Accommodating and entertaining the thousands who flock northward during the snow season has provided a new industry. While the

summer flow of visitors from the United States is not equalled, many are attracted to the winter carnivals that are featured by some centres.

Clothing manufacturers have also found a new outlet for their industry. The design and manufacture of ski clothing has become an important part of the trade. The simple lines of ski jackets are popular with the young Canadian who has spent up to five years admiring or wearing battle-dress.

In war, special troops were taught how to handle wooden slats on the pleasure-slopes of Banff. Some skiers, unfortunately forced down in Sweden, happily plied the hills north of Stockholm. Others won championships in ski meets in the stately Himalayas of northern India.

With the return of these fortunate devotees of the sport, along with the hapless skiers who were confined to the comparatively snowless plains of England, Holland and France, the hills will be swarming with swooping figures, bent on healthy pleasure rather than destruction.

### Give Business A Chance

We have reached the stage where businessmen are too much shoved about, too much meddled with, too much suspected and frustrated. To be a businessman on this continent to-day, to help in developing the country by producing wealth and work and wages, is to be a mark an object of suspicion.

Recently Collier's said something on this score worth thought. Listing the multiplicity of laws and controls that harass enterprise, it said:

"There is one type of law, however, which we do not have, and which would not work if we had it. That is a law requiring any businessman or business organization to stay in business against his or its will.

"No law compels Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, Graham-Paige, Hudson, Packard, Willys, et al. to produce automobiles. . . these and other automotive concerns are in business because up to now they can make money out of staying in business money for their shareholders, their dealers, their employees, but they can quit business any time they feel like doing so."

The time seems to have come for people to consider this. Businessmen are not going to stay in business just for the sake of being in it; are not going to dwell in the shadow of a meddling bureaucracy and put up with being harassed by taxes and questionnaires and controls and regulations and with being shoved around and suspected and attacked and made a sort of symbol of evil.

For the exploiter and chiseler there need be no sympathy, nor the man who says "to hell with the public." But for the honest businessman, the builder, providing work and wages and wealth, treating his employees decently and helping his community and country, there should be sympathy and common sense.

We in this country talk about an expansion of trade; about exports; about world markets. Does anybody believe we can achieve these things if men of ambition and enterprise are denied chance of rewards for their energy, denied hope of returns on their capital, the while being made targets of abuse by the envious and unthinking?

Canada was built up by private enterprise; by men of pioneer and adventurous spirit who were not afraid to take risks and who were encouraged and acclaimed in risk. Of such men we were proud.

If this country is to prosper, if it is to fulfill the dreams of the old, bold pioneers, if it is to have a population prosperous and employed, then Canadian business, Canadian enterprise and ambition, must be given a chance. It will not get that chance if we go on hamstringing it, frustrating it, cursing it, suspecting it, taxing it, penalizing it, leaving it half bound and half free.

It is time we made up our minds. The Ottawa Journal.

### EDITORIAL NOTES

It takes more than sweeping statements to clear up the mess we're in.

Net operating costs in Canada touched \$722 millions in 1944, against \$484 millions in the last pre-war year; but after depreciation and tax payments, net distributable profits were down 13 per cent. from 1939.

The great rush for new tires expected by dealers with the removal of rationing on January 1 has not materialized, according to information from dealers and distributors. Sales are steady and volume is up substantially, but there has been little difficulty in filling orders.

Alberta may try to make Social Credit a reality, instead of a theory—as it has been for more than 10 years in that province—at the legislature session opening February 14. Government supporters are reported growing impatient, and Premier Manning has voiced a veiled warning to "the financiers" that something may be brewing.

Recognizing the immense value of a good band to a community, the citizens of Orillia readily endorsed a by-law to provide \$5000 to outfit the Kiltie Band there with new uniforms. With the hope of expanding the organization to forty members and with the encouragement lent by the ratepayers, the Band will look forward to their work in 1946.

### Veterans Who Are Undecided

A good many veterans, recently discharged from the armed forces, seem to be having trouble deciding on what line of civilian employment they should enter. The decision of the occupation which one should choose is for many young people a perplexing question. It is so important to hit the right thing, and get started on the right track, that a period of inquiry and investigation is warranted.

The veterans have no doubt spent many hours while on war service in planning for their future, and weighing the chances in the different fields. They have been handicapped by distance from home, and the difficulty of finding out, in their distant locations, what the chances and opportunities are.

Many young people have visions of the kind of thing they would like to do. Some occupation may seem especially attractive to them, but the difficulties in the way may seem insurmountable. The thing they would like best to do may call for more education than they feel able to get, or more capital than they are able to command.

The difficulty in the case of many veterans is increased by the fact that they have married, and many of them have a child or several children to support. The thing they would like

to do may seem too uncertain, or the chances of an immediate income sufficient for family support may seem doubtful or unlikely.

It is the wish of the country that all the veterans will find congenial employment, suited to their tastes and abilities. Many will have to take whatever chances lie open at the moment and cannot spend a prolonged time investigating possibilities. The undecided veteran can well review his various experiences, and ask himself what kind of work he likes best, and what kind he seems best adapted to. One accomplishes more in an occupation for which nature has fitted him.

### WANTED: A BRASS BAND

Among the needs of Kentville we should list near the top is a brass band, because it is a part of our community life which is greatly missed.

There are many functions in the life of a town which require the services of a brass band. . . . Most towns worthy of the name provide a weekly open-air band concert for its citizens during the summer months. . . . Then there are the parades and the public functions which are very dead and flat without a brass band. Nothing can take its place. Kentville (N.S.) Advertiser.

Let's face it. If we don't open up our hearts many of us may have to close up our business.

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