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PRICE CONTROLS TO BE RETAINED IN CANADA

Following the statement in parliament by Prime Minister King that Canada will retain her price and rationing controls...

On June 30 the emergency legislation in the United States which authorized price, rent and rationing controls expired...

A four point re-alignment of the country's stabilization program was outlined by Finance Minister Lally in the House of Commons...

THE WAR OF IDEAS

By George West, Bishop of Bangor The War of Ideas is hands down academic, somebody else's business, unimportant, innocuous...

People who have ever done anything have first been captured by an idea. People who don't stand a chance are people with no idea.

Both ideas were born in bitterness, nourished in passion and let loose in fury. They became ideologies and national faiths.

Here is the one unifying idea. It is also creative. It draws the best from all and fights for the best in all.

The new world does not begin when pens inscribe signatures on parchment at a Peace Table.

TOURIST INFORMATION

Canadian tourists going to the United States this summer may take along butter, meat and preserves up to the value of \$5 according to an announcement made by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Prices Board officials urge all tourists to acquaint themselves with regulations on either side of the border to avoid difficulties and delays in crossing.

The Week at OTTAWA

BY H. DENY HODGSON Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP) — While debate on Finance Minister Lally's 1946-47 budget dwindles out in hot weather speeches, the issue of choosing a distinctive Canadian flag has suddenly emerged as a major political controversy...

Described not so much as the "choice" of the joint parliamentary committee but rather "the remaining design after 2,696 others have been eliminated," the committee tabled in the Commons a recommendation that the national flag of Canada should be the familiar Red Ensign with a golden maple leaf, bordered in white, replacing the coat-of-arms in the fly.

Progressive Conservatives were on record as willing to compromise on any flag design as long as it had in it a Union Jack. French Canadians had offered no objection in the choice of a design as long as it didn't contain a Union Jack.

With the tabling of the report, the committee left the matter smack on the floor of the Commons and Senate. As long as it could, it had catered to both sides, and the final elimination was a flag sponsored by La Ligue Drapeau National, composed of red and white triangles with a green maple leaf in the middle.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King, who was reported anxious to take the new flag with him to the Paris peace conference later this month, focused attention on the issue at a Liberal caucus. Mr. King favored the red-ensign-maple leaf design.

However, Hony Arsenault, independent member for a Quebec constituency, who attended the Liberal caucus, was reported to have pleaded with the Prime Minister for more than half an hour to change his mind.

Actual form of the proposed flag was not decided by the committee, which at the last minute added the white edging around the maple leaf as an appeasement to Quebec members.

The national flag of Canada should be the Canadian Red Ensign with a maple leaf in autumn colors in a bordered background of white, replacing the coat-of-arms in the fly; the whole design to be so proportioned that the size and position of the maple leaf in relation to the Union Jack in the canton will identify it as a symbol distinctive of Canada as a nation.

Debate on the budget around three main points: its income tax changes, its proposals for tax agreement with the provinces, and the general question of whether or not the government was being extravagant.

Progressive Conservative members criticized the government on all three counts. J. M. Macdonnell, Progressive Conservative financial critic, rapped the budget's "unrealistic" unreality in its deferred tax relief, in its facing of deficits and in failure to accentuate production and make an all-out attack on the "titelard of extravagance."

He said the prime minister's offer of new financial agreements with the provinces was a "shotgun substitute" for compromise and agreement, and said substantial tax reductions could not come while the government evaded the problem of reducing wartime expenditures.

The C. C. F. party criticized the government for failure to increase income tax exemptions sufficiently, and urged greater relief, particularly for low-income brackets. It also criticized failure to provide social security measures in its offers to the provinces, and to recognize co-operatives as non-profit-making organizations.

The C. C. F. view was summed up by Angus MacInnis, member for Vancouver East, who characterized the budget as "looking backward to yesterday, not forward to tomorrow."

Prime Minister Mackenzie King will go to the peace conference in Paris this month, and take with him Health Minister Claxton, two members of the diplomatic corps and a member of the external affairs department.

Sending of an all-party delegation was decided against because "the Paris conference is not to be confused with a peace conference to determine the final settlement with respect to Germany," said Mr. King.

Mr. King also announced that Finance Minister Lally will represent the dominion at the U.N.R.R.A. conference at Geneva, beginning August 5.

BIG TOURIST TRADE NOW ON IN ONTARIO

The rush is on. Canadians in the tourist business can now look forward to what, from all indications, is going to be one of the most profitable seasons on record.

And Ontario stands to reap a large share of the benefits. Attracted by the province's beaches and woodlands, well-stocked streams and facilities for almost all summer sports, Americans are flocking into Ontario in numbers reported to exceed the peak of post-war days.

Although merchants late last week feared the parity of the American and Canadian dollar might injure the tourist trade so far this has proved no detourment.

Freed for the first time since 1941 from wartime restriction on gasoline and travel into Canada, the tourists are flocking in at every point of access. The most continuous flow is over the Rainbow Bridge at Niagara Falls and the Pearce Bridge at Port Erie.

The number of trailers attached to visitors' cars would indicate the Americans intend to stay a while. Border towns are hardest hit by the influx and the invasion has taken its toll of scarce consumer goods.

Owen Sound tourist camps are usually well-filled for many of the visitors stop off there before going on to northern Ontario resorts. Waukegan Beach has blossomed into a boom town with an unprecedented population while at Midland last week a record was set for the issuance of ration books to visitors.

And, according to reports from the border cities, our American neighbors are going to be dropping in regularly. One restaurant owner reports a customer's remark "if prices remain the way they are, we will be coming to Canada to eat all our meals."

SAY RICH GOLD REEF UNDER JOHANNESBURG

JOHANNESBURG (CP) — Citizens of Johannesburg, the Golden City, visualize the day when they will be going about their business while 3,000 feet below them men will be mining the rich ore of a gold reef which runs approximately through the centre of the city.

W. H. Auret Pritchard, a pioneer surveyor, believes that the gold reef directly below the city is extremely rich, and could be mined with safety at 3,000 feet.

In the early days of Johannesburg, due to lack of funds, the then republican government was often obliged to pay officials for their services by granting them stands which, contrary to expectations, became extremely valuable in later years.

Town planning experts have often criticized the early planning of Johannesburg, they forget that in those days few people expected the sensational growth of the largest city in South Africa.

Red Lake District Pegged End to End

Gold Mining Activity Increases in Northwestern Ontario Area

RED LAKE, Ont. (CP) — The news of peace was like the ringing of an alarm clock in this mining centre. Normal activity which had given way to wartime quiet for six years suddenly returned and the pace is increasing.

Many veterans are following the urge to go north to the goldfields and they are arriving daily by plane from Sioux Lookout, Kenora and Winnipeg. Gold is the life-blood of the people who live in Red Lake. The men who muck in the dark depths of the mines, the engineers, prospectors, assayers, geologists and office workers all have this common topic to discuss in their off-hours.

Mine and lumber workers have an advantage over everyone else for the mines and lumber camps provide living quarters for their employees. For others the housing situation is grim — far worse than anything in the crowded cities. Newcomers usually realize within an hour of their arrival in town that they are out of luck.

There is money in Red Lake. But it is difficult to tell who the richest men in town are. That shabby, unshaved prospector across the street may be pointed out as "Jack" who recently sold some claims for \$30,000.

Cost of living is high — freight is flown in at \$30 a ton and the supply situation is precarious. The spring break-up presents further problems to residents for as soon as cracks appear in the frozen surface of Red Lake ski-equipped planes bringing food, mail and other necessities can no longer land until the ice has shrunk enough to permit pontoon-equipped aircraft to land on open water.

In spite of the uncertainty of obtaining supplies in the spring, in 1945 they had to be dropped by parachute. Red Lake has been staked almost completely. Claimsmen have staked the surrounding country until it almost bristles with pegs and, in some cases, their claims run into the town itself.

USES OF GRAMMAR

It is remarked that people's mistakes in grammar are overlooked when they offer to pay money or order goods. It is different when they are applying for a job of clerical work, or one requiring them to write letters. A letter with many grammatical mistakes would look as if a person's education had been limited, which would not help him any.

It is one advantage of completing a high school course and going on to college, that the grammatical mistakes to which a person is addicted, would be pointed out when he hands in his themes and compositions. Thus he would get the habit of writing correctly and his letters would get a finished appearance and suggest he had thorough training.

ALL A MISTAKE

REGINA (CP) — Firemen raged to an alarm box here recently and discovered an apologetic visitor to the city who explained he had brought them out unnecessarily by attempting to mail a letter in the alarmbox.

WATERY AWAKENING

REGINA (CP) — Watering the front lawn has a distracting effect on one prominent Regina citizen. When a friend hailed him he turned to reply and put the nozzle of the hose-water full on—into his pocket.

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