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EDITORIAL

In Peace or War

The Red Cross Society is making its annual appeal. Your support will enable the carrying on of a peace-time program that is of equal or perhaps more importance than the emergency of wartime work. During the war we heard a good deal about making this Canada a better place; providing for the returning veterans and using the same energy in peace as we put into winning the war.

We've had a year or more of re-adjustment. An analysis of the program and features worked out by the Red Cross Society indicate much study and planning has been done by this organization in playing a part in this world-betterment program. It's a big program with a large expenditure. If it is to be successful it needs the support of every citizen now, just as it did in wartime. Give as generously as you can.

A Well Taxed Commodity

There is rightly some concern over the cost of taxes on gasoline that motorists are forced to pay. It is estimated that with provincial and federal taxes an average of 12 cents is levied on every gallon across Canada. On top of this the retailer pays his business tax, municipal tax, profits and income tax and it is further estimated that it all adds up to close to 50% of the retail price in this district.

We're not sure what is to be done with the provincial revenue collected, but it does seem unusual to spend so much to attract tourist trade and then slap on a tax on every gallon of gasoline the visitor buys that is going to give him the impression that this is an expensive tourist paradise. Folks put up with a lot of tax imposts to win the war, but it's going to be difficult for the service station man to give an explanation when the American visitor finds it costs him so much more to fill the tank on this side of the border in comparison with the amount required in the United States. On top of these taxes it is hinted that when the ceiling is lifted on gasoline prices there is likely to be an increase of three cents per gallon in the cost.

Watch This Spending

Municipal taxpayers throughout Canada are receiving bad news. Tax rates are being raised, municipal expenditure is going up.

Municipal revenues from 1939 to 1946 so outstripped expenditures that total net municipal debt was cut 30% and debt service costs (excluding retirements) dropped 34%. This put municipalities in the strongest financial position in many years. Revenues for the seven-year period were up 21.5% but expenditures only 14.8%.

But now that trend is sharply reversing. There was a big increase in spending last year and more is contemplated, including large capital expenditures. These new increases, too, are coming at a time when municipal revenues may be approaching their peak. Prudent municipal officials will watch their budgets carefully.

Capital expenditures which can be deferred until the huge backlog of demand in their lines is more nearly filled, should be deferred both in the interests of the nation's economy and from the standpoint of costs.

Tax payers should be kept fully informed, given the fullest possible information regarding expenditures.

It is only by a careful examination and planning of all expenditures that municipalities will be able to keep their present high financial rating and consolidate the improvement in their finances. Financial Post.

Famine and Feast

In January we told our readers of our troubles securing sufficient newsprint to get out each week's

edition for several weeks. A mill shipment just disappeared and it took several weeks to have it replaced. Finally our stock room was full again and we had no more worries on that score for a few weeks, when along came the shipment made in December and we have storage space available for only half of it. It does seem to hit extremes, but now readers can at least be sure for several months that the local paper will have sufficient to meet the needs.

With all that pile of paper in sight we'll be glad to add some new subscribers to our lists. Incidentally that shipment of newsprint has been to Nova Scotia and back so it'll be well travelled paper by the time it gets to our readers and since it has at last reached its destination, we'll find storage for it some place and hang onto the supply.

Battle Line No. 2

Home, Life Under Fire. Divorce, delinquency, cruelty to children, illegitimacy rise to new records. Yet these are only the surface eruptions of a bloodstream that has lost its color and its strength. The home life of nations is in decay. This world disaster does not happen by chance. There are godless forces at work with a planned program. These forces exploit and ride to power on moral confusion, weak will and self will, disunity and discontent.

What stands in their way. Homes — the ancient strength of nationhood, the training ground of character, the source of contentment, the school of teamwork and unity, the cradle of renaissance.

The godless forces must use every resource to discredit and destroy this their greatest enemy. Broken or lusterless homes are their most fruitful harvest field. For it is only in disillusioned and heartsick men and women that a philosophy of bitterness can take root and flourish. People without the security and anchor of a sound home drift vainly looking for some other satisfaction — someone else's wife, someone else's money, someone else's country.

The wild waves of men's folly that have washed away both the seeds and fruits of success conferences beat and storm against the peace of every home. The greed for power, appeasement, fear, insincerity, suspicion, irresponsibility — all these, unmastered, go from the home to the conference table.

But democracy, too, has a planned program for homes. Like its enemy's, this program does not happen by chance. It comes through change. Democracy's inspired ideology is for the breakfast table as well as for the peace table. That ideology is born from the control of God over human nature.

Homes which live democracy, where the battle is not between husband and wife or parents and children, but for a common service under God's direction, are the powerhouse of the answering ideology. Such homes have no place in or for a philosophy of godless materialism and class warfare. From them flows a stream of healthy public opinion and public action, creating the will for teamwork in industry, choosing and backing sound leadership and statesmanship, and swelling into a mighty positive force and philosophy in every country across the world.

EDITORIAL NOTES

That three cent tax on gasoline that was to come off on April first was only an illusion. The taxing of gasoline now all goes to the province, but to the motorist it makes little difference as long as it has to be paid.

When \$600 millions of six-month treasury notes became due March 1, the Government retired \$50 million and refunded the remainder for six months at 4% interest. This brings to \$320 millions the total of federal debt retired in the present fiscal year. This is exclusive of indirect and CNR indebtedness. A further \$42 million was retired by the CNR in January.


A reduction in postage rates for air mail has been effected. This would benefit a few people. What is much more to be desired is a cut in the cost of postal services that are used most by the general public. With a surplus of over ten million dollars last year the P. O. Dept. can well afford to make a general lowering of rates says the Barricade Examiner.

An outbreak of advertising contract cancellations, reported from New York, is giving USA radio broadcasting industry the jitters. Programs costing several millions of dollars for talent and air time have been dropped on the major networks in recent weeks by economy-minded manufacturers. The general idea seems to be "belt-tightening" to cut company costs. Some cancelling sponsors will save all the ad money they're pulling out of radio. Others will switch much of their advertising dollars to magazines and newspapers.

In view of the fact that many have admired the new arena in Waterloo with its artificial ice surface it will be interesting to hear of the cost of the project. Debentures were issued for \$50,000, after \$30,000 had been subscribed privately, but now the town finds that the cost will be \$120,000, instead of the \$80,000 previously estimated, and the town is being called upon for another \$40,000. It is a story that is being repeated in many towns for different kinds of buildings.

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 10:38 a.m.; 11:43 a.m.; 2:50 p.m.; 5:13 p.m.; 7:33 p.m.; 8:33 p.m.; 8:52 p.m.; 11:23 p.m.

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 a—To London.
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 y—To Kitchener.

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Westbound
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