

# Say Deficit is Nothing Sinister

During the next few weeks you are going to hear a great deal of nonsense about deficits from people who will suggest that the answers to most of your problems and ills can be found in a balanced budget. How absurd are we likely to get?

In the first place there is nothing whatever sinister in a deficit, any more than there is in your own use of personal credit to buy a home, to finance a car, or to provide your family with any number of desirable comforts or worthwhile advantages. Your use of credit depends on your needs and you limit your debts to your ability to repay without inconvenience. And this is the story of Ottawa.

Can't Afford Dislocation  
This year's Federal Deficit has been estimated at \$745,000,000 in other words your government will borrow this sum over and above the revenue it expects to collect in order to finance the things it feels are necessary for continued prosperity of this country. There are obviously any number of ways in which this deficit could be written off — by higher taxes for instance, by a reduction in expenditures in this area or in that one, but in no case could this be accomplished without creating some serious dislocation in your own economy or in that of the nation. Such dislocation is one of the things we cannot afford.

Having achieved one of the highest standards of living in the annals of humanity, Canadians should not now be expected to sacrifice part of it, in peacetime at any rate, for the empty achievement of a balanced budget, which, by itself, can mean very little to you or me.

Take a Look  
Without dealing in more detail with the nature of current deficits, let's take a look at our debt position and our ability to repay. This year Canada's net national debt stands at a per capita level of \$716, a substantial amount. But in none of the years, 1952 to 1955 inclusive, under the former Liberal Administration was it so low.

Let's look at it as a percentage of your gross national product — perhaps a more realistic measure of our ability to repay. This year, the net national debt stands at 35.9 percent of our gross national product. And again this is a substantial percentage. Yet in none of the years, 1952 to 1957 (this time inclusive, under a Liberal Administration, was it so low.

Alltime Record  
This year, Canada's National debt is 13.2 billion dollars. Yet in 1961 alone, Canada's gross National product was 37.4 billion dollars, an alltime record and an increase incidentally of 6.8 billion dollars over the total for 1956, the last full year of Liberal administration.

Last year Canada's exports — another sound measure of the nation's ability to repay its debts — totalled 5.7 billion dollars, again an alltime high and an increase of 900 million dollars over the total for the year 1956, under a Liberal government.

Such is the record of the Diefenbaker government, over that of the tired old administration it replaced.

Earned, Spent, Saved  
But for a few more comparisons: Last year Canadians earned 28.7 billion dollars compared to 21.6 billion dollars in 1956. They spent 24.6 billion dollars, compared to 18.8 billion in 1956. And they saved 1.7 billion as compared to 1.3 billion in 1956.

With the Diefenbaker government, Canadians last year earned more, spent more, and saved more than ever before in history. Let's keep it that way. — (Published by the Halton County Conservative Association.)

## List Prize Winners At Institute Euchre

There were players for 13 tables at the Bannockburn W. I. euchre in Bannockburn School on Saturday evening, April 28. Ladies' first prize was won by Mrs. Robert McEnery and ladies' second prize, Mrs. Fred Lambert. Gents' first prize went to Mr. Willard Britton and second prize to M. Livingston of Georgetown.

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CLOUDS OF DUST were sent up Friday afternoon when Acton's new street sweeper was first put into service. The accumulation of sand and dirt from the winter months plus the dry weather was sent flying in billows of dust as the brooms began to turn, Monday when the above picture was taken. The enshrouding dust was missing as Sunday's heavy rain dampened down the streets. The machine was purchased from the City of Toronto and delivered Friday morning.

### LIMEHOUSE

## 4-H Menuettes Hostesses To Parents, Leaders, W.I.

On April 25 at Limehouse Memorial Hall, the Limehouse Menuettes served their 4-H supper to their parents and former leaders and the president of the Limehouse W.I., by which the club is sponsored.

Green and yellow crepe paper streamers across the ceiling met in the centre with a gaily decorated hat with spring flowers overflowing its sides. Yellow and green (the club colors) canules and a yellow bouquet of daffodils and chrysanthemums decorated the table and on each of the separate tables were daffodils and pussy willows.

Maureen Williams introduced herself and welcomed each and every one, expressing pleasure at such a good attendance. Former leaders present included Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. S. Gisby, Mrs. Ed Sanford and Miss Lampman, home economist, were unable to attend. Mrs. Jack Roughley, W.I. president, was asked to lead the line for the buffet style supper.

Made Their Skirts  
The club girls were dressed in skirts which they had made in a previous club, "Summer Separates" and white blouses. The last two clubs have been under the leadership of Mrs. Cy Wilson and Mrs. Ted Brown.

Local Interest  
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hamilton attended the funeral of his uncle, the late John Donally, in Toronto on Wednesday.

Mr. Luke Janssen, teacher at Hillsport, Ontario, spent the Easter vacation home with his mother, brother and sister. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Eldin Askin on the arrival of a

little son at Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital last week.

Mrs. Bert Benton spent a few days with her parents at Meaford last week.

Visitors:  
Cathy Pemberton of Brampton with the Williams family.

Mr. Billie Sanford home from Guelph and Miss Doris Mitchell from Toronto.

Brian Cohoon of Toronto with his grandparents here.

Calvin Sanderson of Ballinacraig spent a few days with the Liams.

Two young hockey players, Gary Wood and Cam Little, from Riverside (Windsor) were guests

at the Herb Arnold's for four days and nights last week.

The Bentons spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Quinton at Meaford.

70th Birthdays  
An enjoyable evening was spent in Limehouse Memorial Hall on Saturday when the family and close friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Brown helped them celebrate their seventieth birthdays.

The Ross Culp's visited his sister at Galt during the weekend.

Mrs. A. Patterson spent last weekend with her sister, Mrs. S. Smith at Weston.

This gathering will be held May 4, 5, 6 at the Guelph Collegiate Vocational Institute, Paisley St., Guelph, Ontario. A full three-day program of instructive demonstrations, lectures and Bible readings has been planned for the edification of the delegates.

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## Public Speaker, Presentation, U.C.W. Meeting of Interest

Congratulations to Murray Taylor who succeeded in winning \$75,000 a cup and scroll of Merit as second prize in prepared speech section of Ontario Public Speaking Contest Finals in Toronto last Wednesday evening.

Learn of Bolivia  
At a recent meeting of United Church Women, Rev. Dean Burns, Baptist missionary home on furlough from Bolivia, South America, was guest speaker for the occasion.

Mr. Burns showed slides of Bolivia and explained each missionary is responsible for 1,000 square miles of territory. Products of Bolivia are tin, coffee, bananas, rice, cattle. The country is noted for beautiful scenery along with some high mountains, also largest commercial air port in world. Mr. Burns reported communism is creeping into the country and more missionaries are needed. Mr. G. S. Bell thanked the guest speaker for his address.

Mrs. Fred Hosking, president, opened the meeting with poem, hymn and Lord's Prayer, and also extended a welcome to ladies of Presbyterian and Anglican Churches. Mrs. R. R. Connor contributed portion of the Halleluiah Chorus from Handel's Messiah. Meeting closed with a hymn and benediction by Pearl Hamilton.

Miss Rachel Anne Wood, who passed away Easter Sunday, was one of four children of Mr. and Mrs. William Wood, who came to Canada from Prestbury, Cheshire, England. Two brothers, Wm. Jr. and John predeceased her. A sister died in infancy. Wm. Wood was well known for his pen and ink sketches which won him many prizes at Toronto in early national exhibitions. He also did some weaving at the Harris woolen mill in the early years of the firm. Ernest Benham, Mrs. George Rea, Miss Irene Hamilton, Miss Myrtle Moore, and Richard Harris were present at the funeral at Star-

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Effective Monday May 14th through to October 25th the following schedule will apply:  
**COLLECTION—Mondays and Thursdays**  
Cameron, Mill (from Victoria Westerly only), Victoria, Cook, Cobblehill, Main (South only), Church, Brock, Ransom, Vimy, Agnes, Willow South, John South, Elgin South, Frederick South, Wilbur South, Fellow, Eastern, York, all of the Crescent, Hillcrest, all of Glenlea, Young, Queen Street East, Wellington, Acton Blvd., Peel, Arthur, Mill (over the tracks from Young to the School).  
**COLLECTION—Tuesdays and Fridays**  
All of Mill Street (from Victoria to the Tracks), Park, Lake, Knox, all of Lakeview, Main Street N., Scane, Guelph, River, St. Alban's, Bower, Willow North, John North, Elgin North, Frederick North, Wilbur North, Alice, Wallace, Perth, Warren Grove, Churchill Rd. North.  
On and after October 25th one collection only will apply for the winter months on Monday and Tuesday respectively.  
Individual notices are being mailed out, however you are requested to phone 853-0220 if you are in doubt as to your collection day.  
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Clerk-Administrator

## Carey Dance School Students Pass Exams

Milton and Ancaster students of Betty Carey School of Dancing took ballet exams from Miss Joy Bury of the Royal Academy of Dancing, London, England, recently.

The seven local students did well. Brenda Schultz received a pass plus, and Carla Santor was commended in the primary grade.

In grade one, Darlene Ferrier, Sherry Lott, Helen Lingham and Linda Lingham were commended while Hillary Conway received honors in the same class. Students from the Carey School received three honors marks, three highly commended, 12 commended and 11 pass plus.

Richard Harris celebrated his 83rd birthday last Tuesday, April 24. He was recipient of birthday cards and wishes for the occasion.

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