

Fifty-Six Years of Canadian Railroading

This message was issued today by E. J. Humphreys on the conclusion of 56 years of active railroading in Canada and on his retirement as Chairman of the Canadian National Railways.

"All things come to an end, and when I was succeeded in the Presidency last year by Mr. Vaughan and became Chairman it was an implication that my lengthy active service with the great organization was drawing to a close. I now advise that I shall give up the Chairmanship of the Board at the end of September, 1941.

"The termination of this lengthy official connection with our railway system, embracing as it does the most interesting portion of my life work, is attended with regret as well as with a feeling of sadness for the reason that my association with the splendid men and women who constitute the large staff of the system will necessarily not be as close as it has been. However, the feeling of sadness is to a large extent relieved by pride and satisfaction in the great work that we together have accomplished in bringing the entire facilities, organization and service of the Canadian National Railway to such a high and satisfactory state of development. The ability of the System to handle the

present record-breaking volume of traffic with such prompt dispatch and comparative ease is a matter of the utmost satisfaction, as is also the knowledge that the administration of the whole property is in most capable hands.

"Another feature that one recalls with great pleasure is the fine and cordial relationship which exists between the management and employees. This whole-hearted co-operation has been a most important factor in the development of the System and has been a source of pleasure and satisfaction to both officers and employees for many years. The deep personal interest and splendid efforts of the officers and employees cannot be over-emphasized, as it is only through their combined endeavours of all concerned that we can make the services of the Canadian National Railway contribute their maximum to the war effort of the Nation. May the spirit of good will and co-operation, so very much in evidence during these trying times, continue to grow and expand in the years to come.

"A person of my age is naturally given to retrospection. It is now fifty-six years since I began railway work. This period covers the devel-

ment of the railway from the wood burning locomotive, the hand brake and the crude facilities to the present time when railroading has become a science and there is the greatest reliability and efficiency in all branches of the service. Thinking of what has been done, I marvel at the accomplishments, but no feature impresses me more than the improvement in the relations between management and employees, already referred to, and equally the growth of a fine spirit of understanding between the general public and the management.

"May our great railway system go forward steadily through the years ahead to fulfill its manifest destiny as an instrument of incalculable usefulness in our national development. I am confident that it will, and I am likewise confident that the men and women in all departments will do their utmost to make it so."



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APPLE BLOSSOMS IN OCTOBER

Not to be outdone by Mrs. Hunter and Mr. Ford with their October raspberries and strawberries, Mrs. J. H. Herko brought into the office last week a twig from an apple tree which was in full bloom. This must surely be rare for apple trees to bloom this time of year, and we refer the item to Andy Clark's Neighbourly News Broadcast, who is rather an authority on the addition in the news

Owing to the current shortage of beef, over a recent week end, the troops at Camp Borden were "forced" to eat turkey instead of the old reliable which is usually served every day in the week.

Give the best that is in you by buying Victory Bonds until it hurts.

WE'RE GOING TO NEED SO MANY THINGS WHEN THE WAR ENDS ... things that are hard to get now



Every day, almost, we find that something else is getting scarce. So often, we are told "they're not making it any more". Factories are making guns instead of ploughs, tanks instead of tractors, planes and shells instead of stoves and beds. We'll have to replace so many things when the war ends ... things we can't buy now.

MONEY INVESTED IN VICTORY BONDS

will provide the cash to buy them

TWO WAYS TO BUY VICTORY BONDS NOW



— with Cash

... in one lump sum, with money we have saved. There is no safer investment ... no better way to protect our savings.

Or—we can buy bonds and pay for them through our banks in monthly instalments. As the instalments come due the bank will charge them to our accounts.

— with Produce

Farm folk can pay for Victory Bonds in another, convenient way—by using the "PRODUCE FOR VICTORY" TICKET. By simply signing a "Victory Ticket" you can authorize those who buy produce from you to send all or part of the proceeds to the War Finance Committee to buy Victory Bonds for you. (Ask your local War Finance worker for details.)

WHAT A VICTORY BOND IS

Look at a dollar bill. A dollar bill is like a bond. It's a promise to pay to the man who has it. You get bills when you sell things and pay them out when you buy things. A Victory Bond is "a bill" intended to be saved. When you keep a \$100.00 Victory Bond for a year you receive an additional \$3.00. (3% interest). Buy all the Victory Bonds you can—lend money to Canada to help to win the war. Save your bonds to have money for things you'll need when the war ends.

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BUY ALL THE VICTORY BONDS YOU CAN!

Your Safest Investment

"Canada never has failed and never will fail to meet her obligations promptly and in full."

Our country urgently needs every dollar we can spare from our savings and from our earnings. Canada will pay back every cent with interest.

When you buy Victory Bonds you lay up for yourself the best of all investments. They are backed by all the resources of the Dominion of Canada; they yield a fair rate of interest; you can borrow against them; and they are readily saleable when you need the cash.

If we lose the war we lose everything. If we win the war it will be because you and fellow-Canadians backed our fighting men to the absolute limit of your ability.

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"As We See It"

By J. A. Strang

IT LOOKS as though that old established fall feast known as "The Fowl Supper" is another institution that may be out for the duration. And, as in the case of other things that are out until after the war, we would think that we will be able to get along without it. In fact we never did understand why anyone would want to eat a heavy meal at night. If the fowl supper could be held at noon it would be much more sensible we would think. Another angle of the situation would be that those fowl that have so often been donated, for the fowl supper, if sold at today's price would likely bring more cash than they would if they had gone to make up the meat dish for the big supper and think of the work that would be saved. If it is going to help win the war we can very easily get along without the fowl supper.

CANADA'S THIRD VICTORY Loan got away to a good start last Monday morning. The total amount aimed at in this Loan Drive is seven hundred and fifty million dollars. We aren't very familiar with millions, but we think that it must mean quite a lot of money. However even a million dollars is made up of small amounts added together to make the total which we speak of as of being one million. We are apt to forget this when we consider our little one thousand or perhaps one hundred that we may happen to have that is not working and that we could invest in this Third Victory Loan. Some one has made the statement that life is made up of the little things and we could say that same thing about Loans of this nature, in fact we could say the same thing about Democracy, that institution that we are all interested in preserving at present. It is true that our streets aren't as well lighted as they used to be but they are still lighted. The folk over in England can't say that about their streets. If you are in the habit of pulling down your blinds at night you can still look out past them and see the neighbours lights but over in England there wouldn't be a light showing. If you want to visit the near-by city you can still take the old bus and drive down but civilians over in England aren't to get any gas at all for their private cars. It is true that we may not be able to get as much gas as we have been used to getting but we can still get plenty for normal needs. If you want a new suit of dress or shoes or any wearing apparel you can still drop in to your nearest store and buy them, you don't even have to bother about coupons as they do over there when purchasing clothing. If you think that the youngsters in your family should

have oranges for breakfast there is nothing to hinder you getting them and of serving them at breakfast but it is a long time since the Mothers in England could do that. If you enjoy smoking you can still get all you want at any tobacco store along the street, over there they haven't a very large supply of tobacco and if it is cigarettes that you have in mind you would have to have the empty packages with you in order to get another ten fags. Perhaps you might want to take a bath and you may like the tub filled up for the job. Over there the tub has a line on it five inches from the bottom and you wouldn't be allowed to fill it any higher. We have been guilty at times of making rings around the bath tub, maybe you have too but there was nothing compulsory about it. Even the King saw to it that the five inch ring was painted on the Royal tub. It is these little things that we want to preserve for our children isn't it? We like to be able to say or write what we like without fear of being shot for so doing. So far we have been comparing our lot here in Canada with that of folk over in England. If we go on a little further and compare them with those unfortunate folk in the unoccupied countries the comparison is much worse. We all want to keep these advantages that we have, we want to keep the war as far away from our own shores as possible and we also want to get it over with as soon as we possibly can. We aren't all able to fight, we can't all be pilots, or a lines, but most of us can dig up perhaps one thousand dollars or maybe one hundred dollars and lend it to our Dominion in order that our country may continue to carry on its part in this war. We aren't even expected to lend that money for nothing but we are to receive at regular intervals a fair interest for our loan. The least that we can do is to dig up all that we possibly can and to lend it willingly so that the grand total, when the books close will not only be three quarters of a billion but they will be one whole billion. All in favour say, "Aye".

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