

## Canada Year Book a Complete Record of the Dominion

Official Statistical Review of Canada Ready for 1939

The publication of the 1939 edition of the Canada Year Book, published by authorization of the Hon. W. D. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce, is announced by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The Canada Year Book is the official statistical annual of the country and contains a thoroughly up-to-date account of the natural resources of the Dominion and their development, the history of the country, its institutions, trade, demography, the different branches of production, trade, transportation, finance, education, etc.—in brief, a comprehensive study within the limits of a single volume of the social and economic condition of the Dominion. This new edition has been thoroughly revised throughout and includes in all its chapters the latest information available up to the date of going to press.

The 1939 Canada Year Book extends to over 1,200 pages, dealing with all phases of the national life and more especially with those susceptible of statistical measurement. A statistical summary of the progress of Canada is included in the introductory matter. This gives a picture in figures of the remarkable progress which the country has made since the first census of the Dominion was taken in 1871, sixty-eight years ago.

Attention is called to some of the more important features of the present volume.

In Chapter II, an article on the Relationship of the Department of Public Archives to the Historical Records of Canada, followed by a Bibliography of Canadian History, contributed by Dr. Gustave Lanctot, LL.M., D.Litt., LL.D., K.C., F.R.S.C., Deputy Minister and Dominion Archivist, appears at pp. 34-40. In the introduction to Chapter VIII—Agriculture—an article on the Historical Background of Canadian Agriculture, by G. S. H. Barton, C.M.G., B.S.A., D.Sc.A., Deputy Minister, Department of Agriculture, appears at pp. 187-190. A special article on Noxious Forest Insects and Their Control, prepared by J. J. de Gryse, Ph. Cand. (Lov.), Chief, Forest Insect Investigations, Department of Agriculture, pp. 254-263, in an added feature of Chapter IX—Forestry. T. W. Grindley, Ph.D., Secretary, the Canadian Wheat Board, Winnipeg, has contributed an article on the Origin, Development, and Operations of the Canadian Wheat Board, which appears at pp. 569-580. An extended article on the Development of the Press in Canada, together with statistics for all the daily and the principal weekly newspapers and magazines, supplements Chapter XVIII where it appears at pp. 737-773.

The extra space given to these special features this year more than accounts for the increase in the total number of pages in the volume. Indeed, the regular chapter material has been substantially condensed, without impairment of the treatment, by rearrangement and close editing. On the other hand, the statistical series of several chapters have been broadened by the inclusion of tables showing special census analyses that, it is considered, will be found useful to readers.

All parts of the volume have been carefully revised and brought up to date; the latest information appearing to the date when each section was sent to press is included. Under Section I of Chapter VIII—Agriculture—a special subsection explains the loan-

ing operations of the Canadian Farm Loan Board since its inception in 1930. Further progress has been made this year in completing the framework of Chapter XVIII—Transportation and Communications—especially in regard to Part VII that deals with Radio Communications. Chapter XX—Prices—has been revised especially in relation to Subsection 2 dealing with Retail Prices and Cost of Living, under which heading a new subsection summarizes the latest results of a special study on family living expenditures, now being undertaken by the Bureau as a phase of the Nutrition Survey. The material of Chapter XXVII—Judicial and Penitentiary Statistics—has been recast and certain statistics reclassified in line with the procedure now adopted by the Judicial Statistics Branch of this Bureau.

In the present edition, a complete list of special articles and of significant historical or descriptive text that has not been subject to wide change and is therefore not repeated, is given following the Table of Contents. This list links the 1939 Year Book with its predecessors and indicates the extent to which the "Year Book" must now be regarded as a series of publications rather than as a single volume.

There are over thirty maps and charts contained in the volume, and a photogelatine insert illustrating the special article on Noxious Forest Insects. Three lithographed maps are included. In commemoration of the Royal Visit to Canada, May 17 to June 15, 1939, colour plates of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, together with official pictures of incidents connected with the unveiling of the National Memorial and of the Royal Assent to legislation of the 1939 Session of Parliament, appear as frontispiece. At pp. 1155-1160 a short account of the Royal Tour across Canada together with a condensed itinerary is given.

Persons requiring the Year Book may obtain it from the King's Printer, Ottawa, as long as the supply lasts, at the price of \$1.50, which covers merely the cost of paper printing and binding. By a special concession, a limited number of paper-bound copies have been set aside for ministers of religion, bona fide students and school teachers, who may obtain copies at the nominal price of 50 cents each.

### When Stalin and Hitler Signed Their Compact

Last week The Northern Tribune, of Kapuskasing, published the following row of verses, handed to the paper by a reader:—

**Signing the Pact**  
Hitler: Say how about a pact with me?  
It won't hurt much because you see,  
A pact with me, if old or new,  
Means no more than it does to you.

Stalin: This is so sudden, Adolf, that  
It takes my breath and knocks me flat;  
Your books and all those things you said  
Convinced me you were anti-red.

Hitler: I like to do things by surprise  
And knock the world between the eyes;  
A pact would make an awful fuss  
And still not mean a thing to us.

Stalin: But what of John Bull? He  
And I  
Are waiting now to ratify;  
While I sit here and hesitate  
His envoys wait and wait and wait.

Hitler: Well, let 'em wait; that is their  
way;  
They never mind a long delay;  
John wants his pledges plain and  
clear—

### WARS NOT WON BY BOMBS ALONE



Going into war Britain counts more than guns and shells as her resources. Courage, cheerfulness and resolution of her people will win for the allies. Germany has been warned by R.A.F. leaflet attacks. Gas masks over their shoulders these Londoners pause to reflect on this appeal to the nation.

He's not like you and me, old dear.

Stalin: You've said some bitter things of me  
And said 'em pretty candidly;  
To team with you I must confess  
Would make me feel a mild distress.

Hitler: Say, lissen, I'm no more for  
you  
Than you're for me—and that is true—  
But pacts, we sign 'em by the score!  
So, what the deuce is just one more!

Stalin: I guess it's all in good, clean  
fun—  
This pact is but another one;  
Your name's here; if mine goes above it  
I trust you'll not remind me of it.

Hitler: I understand just how you feel;  
But sign and bring the proper seal!  
The newsreels' cameras are grinding...  
You have my word, this won't be  
binding!

Stalin: Heigh ho! Here goes with foun-  
tain pen!  
But never bring this up again;  
I'm now for you and you're for me...  
Until we think we shouldn't be!

Hitler: 'Tis done! The Russians and  
the Deutch  
Are now in one embracing clutch!  
We're buddies under one bright star!  
We're bosom pals... Likell we are!

### Discussing War and War Measures and Some Other Wars

Including Golf, Brokers, Lloyds, Etc.

Writing in The Toronto Telegram, Thomas Richard Henry has the following:—

**We May Need One**  
A friend of ours met a man he had known in the last war, coming down the City Hall steps yesterday.  
"What are you doing now?" he asked.

"Guarding public utilities," was the reply. "I'm stationed at the Inspiration Plant out at Scarborough."  
It seems too bad that there isn't an inspiration plant that might do more good than a filtration plant.

We could do with a little help from some kind of inspiration plant to carry us to the end of this column.

**War Measures**  
A scout informs us that the pigeons the brokers used to feed with grain, around Bay and Melinda street, have all disappeared.

He says the brokers look better fed these days.  
We don't know whether the brokers porridge.

We mean we don't know whether the pigeons left because the brokers diverted the grain to their own use—or because they converted the pigeons to their own use.

**Sideshow Fight**  
Joe Louis and a man named Pastor meet in a heavyweight boxing bout to-night, as further evidence that Smokey Joe is a world champion.

The continent is supposed to wait with bated breath to make sure Louis will get the champion's end of the purse of the next world championship fight.

Possibly a better indication of general feeling was given by one of our club members last night.

"I hope they kill each other," he commented as he pulled off his bowling shoes.

**Golf**  
Golf used to be a fair game but it is being ruined by innovations.

It never was a game based entirely upon skill with niblick and mashie. It is a game where memory, mathe-

tics, mental persuasion and mendacity all figure in the total score.

Golfers are distributed in strict categories.

The man who shoots below the 80 mark is a professional.

Anybody, not a professional, shooting below 90 is either a golfer or a liar but generally the latter.

Those coming between 90 and a 100 are a hybrid variety mixing fair golf with some competent lying, and a fairly comprehensive loss of memory in embarrassing situations.

Golfers who shoot between 100 and 120 represent the masses because they admit a score that most golfers shoot but do not admit, and if you can find anybody putting down a score of more than 120 you have found what Socrates failed to find—you have found an honest man.

But golf was ruined by the innovation of a handicap.

The ingenuity of golfers was taxed beyond endurance when they not only had to make the number of strokes jibe with their idea of how well they thought they should play the game, but they also had to take the handicap menace into consideration.

Then came the "kickers' handicap," in which as far as we could ever understand, you pick your own handicap, go out and shoot a game as near to the figure you have decided as possible (and there is no reason why it should not be close because you decided on it yourself). Turn in the score and pray.

A number is then drawn from a hat and the golfer whose average of score and guess, comes closest to the number drawn from the hat, wins the tournament.

About this time we took up bowling which consists of only getting a bowl closer to a little white "cat" than the other fellow and they measure to find out whether the bowl is in or out.

**New Technique**  
One thing about this war that is different, is the taking time off between rounds to call each other names.

Kaiser Wilhelm was born twenty years too soon.

How he would have loved to rave to a listening world about German kultur and the inferiority of other races.

**Lloyds of London**  
We are heartily sick of being told that Lloyds are betting four-to-one on this or that.

The last is, that the war will be over by Christmas.

Usually there is nothing to these vague rumors and we always suspect that somebody sets them going for something more than mere amusement.

Lloyds of London is a unique Association of Insurance Underwriters and will insure almost anything that they can reduce to mathematics—but we venture to say that usually they have never heard of the odds that they are supposed to have placed on world affairs.

**First Contingent**  
Canada needs those two divisions that will be recruited, right here in Canada.

Australia is keeping her soldiers at home for a number of reasons, one of which probably being because she is a neighbour of Japan.

But Canada has a more urgent use for at least two divisions of men than Australia can boast.

These two divisions should be used to reinforce the civil service army at Ottawa.

If all Ottawa was busy on government work up to the present it will certainly take at least two divisions: extra to check and file all these new forms that must be filled out.

## Men on Relief in North to Cut Wood for Those in South

Will Reduce Coal Bill for Relief Cases in South.

North Bay, Sept. 27.—Girding for war, Queen's Park is pressing into production every employable and partially employable man on relief in the province.

And to this end, disclosed E. A. Horton, deputy minister of the department of public welfare and municipal affairs, the Ontario government already has two very definite plans of action which are to go into operation at once. They are:

1. Each family on relief must produce its own vegetable supplies.
2. Heads of relief families in the Northland are to be prepared for a call which may come at any time in the immediate future, to go out in gangs into the bush and cut, haul and ship hardwood south, for the fuel supply of families on the welfare rolls in all sections of the province.

**Outlined Plans**  
The deputy minister detailed the department's plans when he conferred Saturday in the city here with Northern Ontario relief heads.

Under the "Vacant Land Cultivation Amendment Act, 1939," passed at last week's special session of the Ontario Legislature, details of which have already been widely published, relief recipients must produce garden produce on special plots of land which will be allotted them by district or municipal relief offices. Failure to comply with this will immediately cost an indigent family its government support.

Under the wood-cutting scheme, which is to be put into operation through Northern Ontario, the same conditions prevail. An employable or partially employable man receiving relief will be required to work it out cutting wood for fuel supply of welfare families in all parts of Ontario. Any opposition or passive resistance or shirking on the part of the employable relief recipients in the wood-cutting plan, will mean that the recipient will be deprived of all relief, both for himself and his family.

**No Shirkers**  
"There can be no shirkers in relief ranks, no more than there can be in any other group of people in the pro-

vince," said Mr. Horton. "We are at war, and the use of every man is urgent."

Wood-cutting operations will be started first in the North Bay district, to be quickly followed up in the Sudbury district and other sections of the North.

Shipments from North Bay, drawn from a source of supply which Mr. Horton said for the time being must remain undisclosed, are to start for the south shortly.

Queen's Park hopes to get special rate concessions from the railways, said the deputy minister.

No bush camps are to be established he explained. Wood-cutting relief recipients will be trucked out daily to the scene of operations and brought back to their homes in the city at night. A similar arrangement will later go into effect in the Sudbury district.

**Must Be Ready**  
While there will be no immediate movement of men to the bush, employables on relief must prepare themselves for a call on such service at any time, warned Mr. Horton.

Just how widespread and thoroughgoing this wood cutting by relief men will become, will depend entirely upon the price of coal, said the deputy minister.

Revaluation of the Canadian dollar in terms of United States funds has already made it uneconomical to draw upon the Ohio and Pennsylvania fields for fuel supplies.

"Price of domestic coal—fuel from Alberta and Nova Scotia—has also advanced, and the department fears it will continue to rise," said Mr. Horton.

Relief families in Northern Ontario in past winters have used wood for heating, but is not the case in southern, central and western Ontario, removed from the North's source of supply. And it is for the joint benefit of these former coal-burning relief families of the south and the elimination of a heavier drain on provincial funds through increased coal prices, that the wood-cutting plan will be put into operation, explained Mr. Horton.

**Not Much Expense**  
As the department of welfare sees it, the only heavy expense in the plan will be the transportation, and rate concessions from the railways is expected to ease that burden.

The wood will be placed at track-side in Northern Ontario communities for shipment south, at a negligible expense. Cost of cutting will be relief, drawn by the families of the men who bring the fuel out of the bush.

As men on relief in the North will be expected to wood-cut their relief allowances, they will be paid at a flat rate, charged to and marked off against the value of the food, clothing and shelter they receive from the taxpayers.

Relief families in the south who will benefit by the labour of men on relief in the North, will repay this extra effort by the greater production of the truck gardens in their section of the province. Here in the North—where the growing season is shorter and the land not so suited to truck garden agriculture, value and volume of crops will be more limited than in the south.

In Essex county, for example, relief truck gardeners will be producing lettuce, radishes, onions and other early season crops, weeks ahead of Northern Ontario. Then again, with the longer season, greater crop rotation is possible. The same goes for the Niagara peninsula.

"With the Empire at war," emphasized Mr. Horton, "no man in Canada, no man in Ontario can sit back and assume the 'let George do it' attitude. Winning of this war will be the result of unstinted co-operative effort by every man, woman and child under the British flag. And those on relief are going to do their share."

Mr. Horton concluded by saying that the department knows full well that with no exceptions, every man, every family on the welfare rolls is ready to pitch in, and with the rest of the nation help Britain give Hitler the beating that is long overdue.

### Sudbury Raises \$1,032 to Help Polish Sufferers

The Polish tag day on Saturday at Sudbury realized \$1,032 for the suffering Polish people. It was one of the largest amounts gathered at any tag day ever held in Sudbury. The Hungarian residents of Sudbury took up a collection among themselves the day before and added \$25.65 to the fund. A parade followed the tag day, the Legion and city officers taking part and the British flag being given high honour by the Polish people in Sudbury. Many placards were carried in the parade condemning Germany's invasion of Poland and the war on women and children.

Sudbury Star:—Who remembers when a blackout was nothing more offensive than a two-minute gag in a musical show—which, however, could be pretty offensive.

# ON GUARD

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