

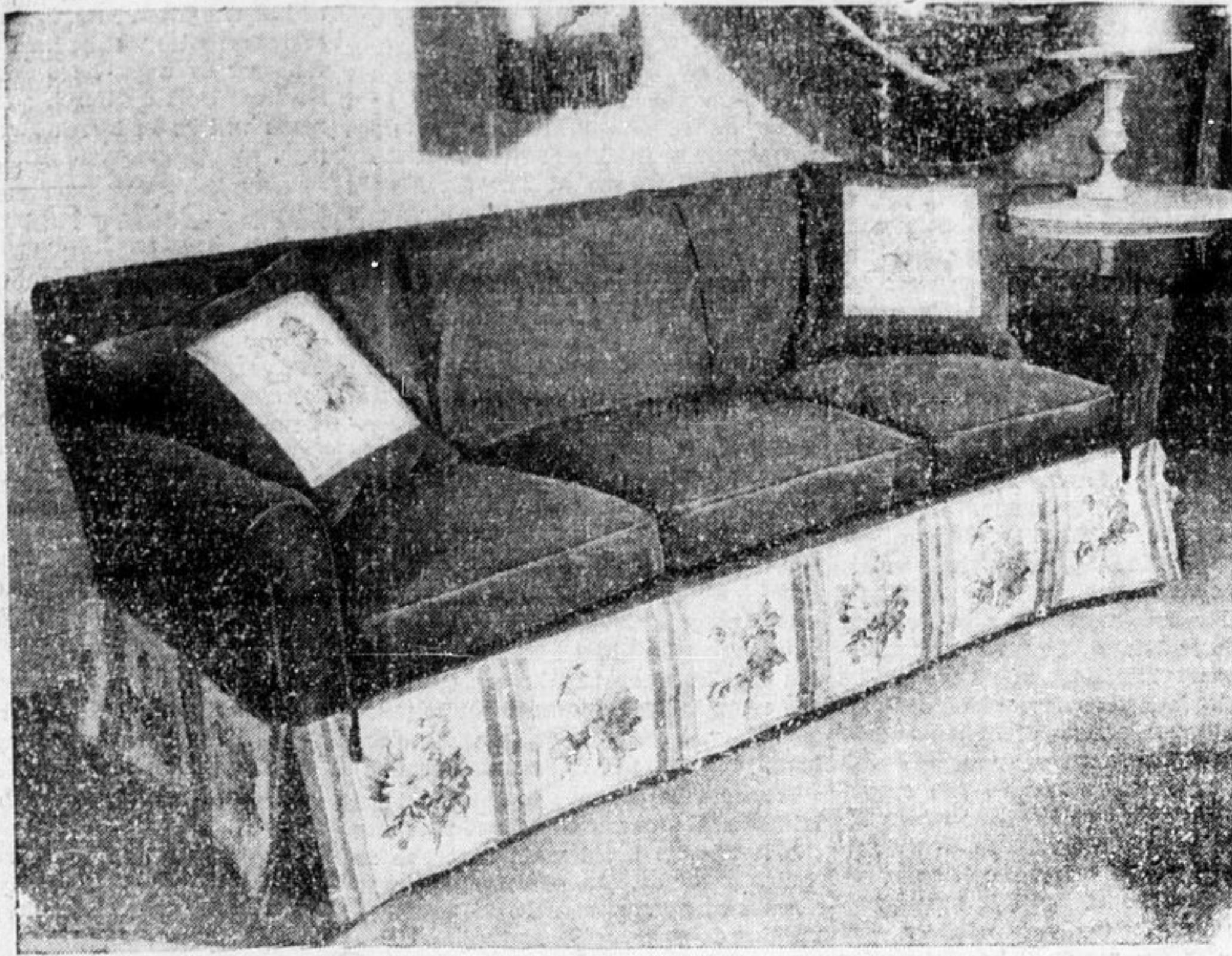


PLEASANT HOMES

by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin

REDECORATE WITH SLIP COVERS THIS SPRING

Old Furniture Gets New Lease on Life With Fresh Covers and With Lightening of Frame and Inside Structure



This dark green slip cover with square cushions to match, is finished smartly with a straight flounce made of a figured material in square pattern. The fabric is a tightly woven cotton of both a texture and colour that can take a lot of hard wear—and that's a big point in these days.

(By Elizabeth MacRea Boykin)
Looks like the burden of spring redecorating will fall on slip covers this year, for that weary old sofa, that tired old wing chair turn out to be mighty sound in structure, compared with the new upholstered furniture you can't find. At least—with a little inside repair, they're good for lots more deep comfortable sitting. While a fresh slip cover can put them right in the swim as far as style goes. (Like a zesty flowered hat and a facial for a tired housewife.)

Smart Tricks
With so much depending on slip covers, you might know that the decorators are turning handsprings to make them alluring. The most popular trick is combining more than one fabric in the same slip cover—especially effective with a plain dark high color used with a bold big figured design. One of the smart sofas slips for instance is mostly dark green with a figured fabric in a square panelled design used for the straight tailored skirt. Another has dark green on the inside and for the flounce, with a big flowered design on white for the outside back and arms. Combinations of plaid and stripes as well as flowered designs look smart and fresh too.

Extra cushions do a lot for slip covered sofas—big square drooping-hem styles—small pert round ones—beautiful boxed types in square, oblongs or ovals. Anything from velvet and needlepoint to plaid gingham and bright felt will be seen for these extra cushions—or they can be made of exactly the same material as the slip cover.

Main thing is—they add decorative accent as well as comfort to any sofa. Even newer than cushions for your back are ebhions for your feet—fat hassocks of material matching your slip cover but made to rest your weary dogs;

The Brunt of Wear
Collar and cuff sets for chairs and sofas replace old-time antimacassars but serve the same useful purpose. But they're often made today to fit the shoulder and arms of the pieces an abbreviated slip cover. The smartest are of the same material as the slip cover so they don't show but they take an awful lot of the brunt off the slip cover—and come off easily for washing or dry cleaning.

This spring's slip covers, like this spring's fashions, feature an awful lot of ruffles! Deep ruffled flounces around the bottom—sometimes ruffles where the welting out to be—sometimes ruffles around the cushions. But the tailored slip cover still looks better in most rooms—such as the straight flounce with inverted corner pleats for chairs and for sofas the same except sometimes there's an extra inverted pleat in the center.

Sail cloth in alluring colors is featured by some stores—made of canvas rejected by the army and dyed to taste in some grand shades. Another fine material that's worthy of the skill of making a good slip cover is flat weave mohair, which is offered in beautiful designs and colours—cost more than run of the mill fabrics, but is worth more for it not only wears a long time but looks right a as long as it lasts. Stout printed cottons are shown in a versatile range of patterns too, as well as in lovely colorings. Most of those shown are enduring designs—for restrictions eliminate the peace-time dabbling with novelties. One unexpectedly different design in a dramatic current show is a question of grey scroll on white—looks wonderful in combination with bright red!

Use to Tone Down
In planning slip covers don't forget that sometimes its dramatic effects are achieved by retiring fabrics as by spectacular materials. For instance in certain rooms, slip covers to match walls or carpet can either tone down a too-busy room or accent the tranquility of a monotone room.

The department stores offer helpful repair services these days—they'll take old upholstered pieces and buck up their constitutions then finish off with young fresh slip covers. All at a cost that sounds reasonable to anyone who's ever tackled the job at home. Because it's WORK anyway you take it! If you do decide to make your own slip cover, take a tip from the professionals and hoist the piece on a table to work on it—make the job much easier. Cover the table top to protect it, of course, and use millions of pins! Our bulletin "How to Make Slip Cover that Fits" gives directions for the job—it will be sent on receipt of five cents (coin preferred) Write Pleasant Homes (name of paper), P.O. Box 75, Station O, New York, N.Y.

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Twenty Years Ago

From the Porcupine Advance Files

The Advance twenty years ago says: The euvre under the auspices of the Ladies of Charity held in the parish hall last night proved a noteworthy success, and all attending found the evening very enjoyable from start to finish. There was a very large attendance, the hall being crowded and the proceeds totalling over \$250.00. The musical programme was much appreciated. The step dancing by Mr. Joliceur was also a number of special ef-

fectiveness and much appreciated by all. The Ladies of Charity express sincere thanks to all who gave prizes, to those who bought tickets, to the large attendance, and to all who in any way assisted in making the evening so pleasing a success.

The Advance of March 26th, 1924 says: "Mr. R. Hogarth intends shortly to open a hardware store in the Minthorn Block, corner of First avenue and Birch street, at the south of the town. "Bobby" is one of the well-known and highly regarded young men of the town and may well be expected to make good in business for himself. He has had a long experience in the hardware line, for some years past being with the Taylor Hardware Co., at Timmins. He believes that there is going to be great growth and expansion in Timmins and he is accordingly pioneering the newer business section of the town to the south and all will wish him the best of success."

The following is from The Advance twenty years ago: A strip at the Timmins landing of the Mattagami River is open again this year. This makes a record for an early break-up of the ice. This early break-up follows the old-time method of testing the ice. It used to be more or less humorously suggested in these columns that the ice was not safe for travel on the river until sometime after a team went through in the late fall, and the ice was again unsafe after a team went through in the spring and were drowned. A couple of weeks ago a team was drowned near the Landing going through the ice. That meant travel on the ice was through for the season, and that an early break-up could be expected.

Among the local and personal items in The Advance twenty years ago were the following: "During the weekend large crowds were attracted by the ski event held on Miller Lake. In Ski jumping and other events a number of experts took part and there was much keen competition." "On Monday there was a big row on street in Moneta with the result that a call was sent in to the police. A number of arrests were made, including a couple of women. The case will come before Magistrate Atkinson at police court here to-morrow." "Mrs. S. J. Coady left last week for Eustace, Quebec, to join her husband who is with the Eustace Mining Company. During their residence in the camp they made many friends and will be missed here in many circles." "Born—At their apartment, Gordon Block, Timmins, on Monday, March 24th, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Kelly—a son." "Mrs. Robert Dye and daughter, Jeanette Helen, left on Monday for a visit to Mrs. R. E. Sullivan, Kirkland Lake." "Band Leader F. J. Wolno is making the best sort of recovery at the hospital after his recent operation and it is expected he will be out again this week." "Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Todd and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fogg have returned from a visit to Florida and other points south." "Innumerable friends in Timmins will regret to know that Mrs. W. W. Worthington is ill with appendicitis, and all wish her speedy and complete return to health." "Born—At Timmins on Thursday, March 13, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cedarberg—a daughter ("Dagmar"). "Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Auer are in Toronto after an extended visit to the far south. They are expected back in Timmins in the course of a few days." "On Thursday night last, some local radio fans were able to listen-in on Hastings, Nebraska. The reception was remarkably clear and distinct. These fans, however, should be careful. Some night they may tune in on Lincoln, Nebraska while William J. Bryan is delivering a grape-juice oration on prohibition of liquor drinking and the descent from monarchs." "Mr. E. H. Hill was a visitor to

Toronto last week and saw some of the sensational hockey matches." "Over 50 Scottish folk attended the meeting some days ago in Sudbury to organize a Caledonian Society for the Nickel Town. Col. D. M. Brodie was elected president and Mr. T. M. Glenesk, secretary. "Thirty-five members have already signed up." "Mr. G. Anderson, manager of the Great Northern Power Co., left on Tuesday for a business visit to Toronto, Brockville, Ogdensburg and Montreal." "A very enjoyable sleigh ride was held by about thirty of the younger people of the town last Friday evening. The party left Timmins and drove out to the Hayden Mines, where a lunch was served, followed by an impromptu dance." "Among those taking in the big hockey matches in Toronto last week were Messrs W. Pierce, F. Aspect and Frank Kehoe. Mr. W. Pierce went on to see the contests at Ottawa between the champions of Ontario (Sault Ste. Marie and the champions of Eastern Canada (Sons of Ireland)." "Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Browns left on Tuesday morning for England. During their residence here they have made a large circle of friends all of whom will regret their departure. Mr. Browne recently sold his photographic business to Mr. A. Tomkinson. Mr. and Mrs. Browne will pay a holiday visit to England but have not decided on their plans further. As a business man and in musical circles, particularly with the Timmins Citizens' Band, Mr. Browne proved himself a very valuable citizen, and he will be specially missed in musical circles. Previous to his departure Timmins Citizens' Band took occasion, to express its appreciation for his generous citizenship, as will be noted in the report elsewhere in this issue of the annual band banquet."

"Mr. J. Dalton is on a visit to New York and other points in the south." "Mrs. M. Greer left last week for Ottawa where she will take specialist's treatment." "Mr. H. Leduc returned last week from a trip to Toronto to which city they had taken Mrs. Leduc for specialist's treatment." "Mrs. Hart returned last week to her home at Cannington after an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Geo. S. Drew." "Mrs. C. G. Williams was among those from Timmins in Halleybury last week to attend the funeral of the late Mr. D. John." "Walter Hewitt, a young man employed at the Ardner-Guibord Mines near Matheson, fell down the shaft at that property last week and was later found dead at the bottom with his skull fractured. There were no witnesses of the tragedy and no one knows just how the accident occurred. The funeral was held under L.O.L. auspices."

Dumplings for Chicken Fricassee
2 cups sifted flour.
1 teaspoon salt.
4 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1 egg, well beaten
3 tablespoons melted margarine
2-3 cup milk
Sift dry ingredients together. Add egg, melted margarine and milk to make a moist, stiff batter. Drop by teaspoons into boiling chicken gravy. Cover closely and simmer for 18 minutes.

Potatoes, Plentiful Cheap, Low-Calorie Item of the Diet

Culinary Expert Says They are Not Overly "Fattening."

The recent celebration of St. Patrick's day, March 17th, brings to mind the vegetable associated with the Irish—white potatoes.

These have never been as plentiful as they are at present. At 3 or 4 cents a pound they are an inexpensive food, capable of adapting themselves to many variations.

Although generally thought of as a "starch" food, potatoes are actually more than 70% water, in composition. Furthermore, if baked or boiled in their own skins, they are excellent sources of Vitamin C and of iron. They contain small amounts of protein, but what they do have is a type easily utilizable by the body.

There is an old wives' tale that potatoes are fattening. A medium sized potato supplies about 100 calories. A fourth of a cup of raisins supplies the same amount of calories. A third of a cup of stewed apricots gives the same. Eight ounces (half a pint) of whole fresh milk supplies 169 calories. So if you count your calories, you can put potatoes in your diet for at least one meal a day without any possible fear of gaining weight.

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Red Cross Schedule for Bardessona Workrooms for April

The following is the Red Cross schedule for the Bardessona workrooms for April:
Monday, April 3—Mrs. Pickering's Group and Finnish Organization and Eastern Star.
Tuesday, April 4—Finnish Women of Harmony Hall and Hadassah Group.
Wednesday, April 5—Ladies of St.

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Anne and Mrs. Allen's Group
Thursday, April 6—Mrs. Hardy's Group and St. Matthew's Group and Princess Alice Club.
Friday, April 7—Good Friday—Rooms closed.
Monday, April 10—Mrs. Pickering's Group and Finnish Organization and Eastern Star.
Tuesday, April 11—Finnish Women of Harmony Hall and Hadassah Group.
Wednesday, April 12—Mrs. Ralph's Group and La Ligue Feminine Catholique (Mrs. Dubien's Group).
Thursday, April 13—C. W. L. (Mrs. Moran's Group) and Princess Alice Club.
Friday, April 14—French Federation and Dime Club.
Monday, April 17—Mrs. Pickering's Group and Finnish Organization and Eastern Star.
Tuesday, April 18—Finnish Women of Harmony Hall and Hadassah Group.
Wednesday, April 19—Ladies of St. Anne and Mrs. Allen's Group and Home and School Club.
Thursday, April 20—C. W. L. (Mrs. McCoy's Group) and Princess Alice Club.
Friday, April 21—United Church Group and I. O. D. E.
Monday, April 24—Mrs. Pickering's Group and Finnish Organization and Eastern Star.
Tues. April 25—Finnish Women of

Harmony Hall and Hadassah Group.
Wed., April 26—Mrs. Ralph's Group and French Federation.
Thursday, April 27—Princess Alice Club and Women's Institute.
Friday, April 28—Rooms Closed.

Send Thanks for Parcels Sent by Tisdale Council

South Porcupine, March 29, Special to The Advance.
Letters of acknowledgement and thanks for Christmas parcels have been received by the Township of Tisdale from Bert McInnis, J. W. Holmes Lt. F. H. Bowman, W. Blanchfield, Lt. A. K. Douglass, N. Therrien, L.-Cpl. G. R. Smith, Pte. D. A. McDonnell, C. S. Hartling (who says "The book was very much in demand by the boys as reading material is very scarce unless you can read Italian, which unfortunately I cannot do). Winnie Williams and R. E. Caswell.

Globe and Mail: New Year's Day was a great occasion for Toronto civic electors who appreciated their franchise. In addition to voting they brought to the polling booths more than 40 tons of gramophone records, games, books and magazines for the Canadian troops. Thus a doubly patriotic obligation was discharged.

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IN these decisive months all Canada's effort is concentrated on one great objective—the attack that is to destroy the Nazi menace and all that it represents. Years of work have gone into its preparation. The best of our young men are staking their lives on its success.

We in Canada must support and strengthen this attack with all our effort. This one purpose must command our work, our minds and our hearts.

We must not permit any scramble for private gain or individual selfish ends, to distract us from our main task. If we concentrate on seeking, individually or jointly, higher prices,

higher pay or higher profits, we shall be diverting our attention from the main task at this critical time. We shall also endanger the stability of prices which we in Canada have achieved after great difficulties—a stability that is essential to efficiency and fairness in war, and to peacetime prosperity afterward.

Our young men are fighting for a Canada and a world in which all men can have faith, hope and security. Each of them wants to come back to a job—or a farm—with a future. We at home must keep secure for them a strong and stable foundation on which alone a post-war period of promise and achievement can be built.



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