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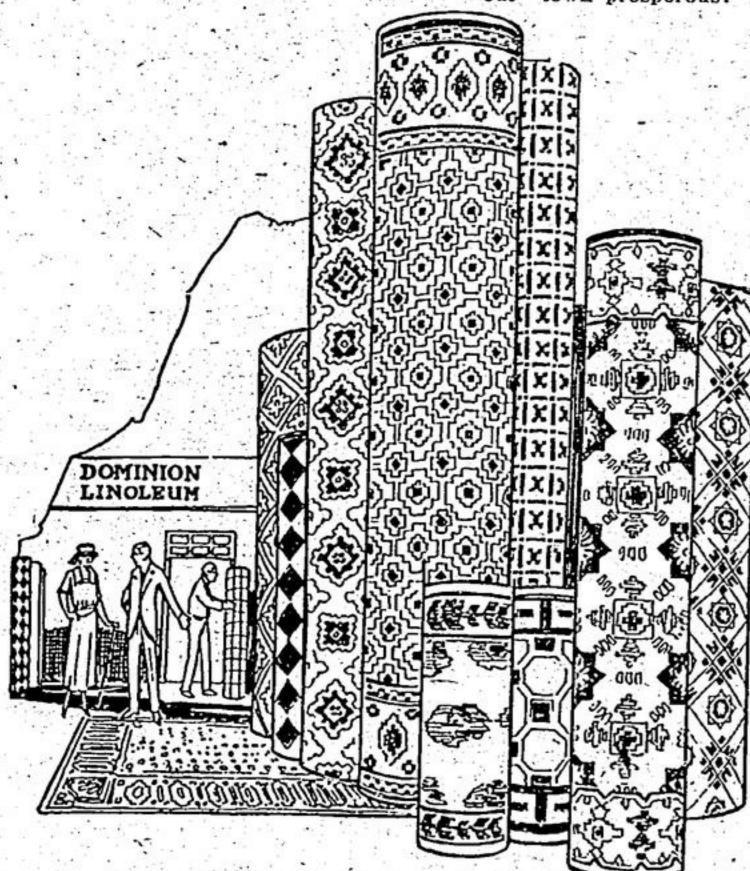
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ing expenses:
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Lands and Forest 8
Dept. of Mines 1,0
Dept. of Health 5
Prov. Treasurer
Dept. of Agriculture 7
Salaries
Prime Minister \$14,0
Cabinet Ministers, each 10.0
Cabinet Ministers, each 10,0
Travelling Expenses
Attorney-General \$ 5
Minister Lands and Forests . 9
Minister Mines 1,2
Minister Public Works 1.00
Minister of Health 1,00
Prov. Treasurer 1,0
Prov. Secretary 6
Min. Agriculture 1,00
Entertainment of Visitors . 5,83
Expenses of Depts.
Prime Minister's \$ 91
Attorney-General's cs 14

Northern Development ... 29,940 Education ..... Land and Forests ..... 149,945 18,407 Game and Fisheries .... 74,963 Public Works ..... 12.952 Public Highways ...... 123,783 75,741 Labor ...... 29,644 Public Welfare ..... Prov. Treasurer ......

#### PUTTING ITS HOUSE IN ORDER

Agriculture .....

Less than a year ago we heard of Australian finances. These even went as far as suggesting national bankruptcy. What can be done when governments come to their senses and face realities with drastic economies is shown in the recent budget speech of Hon. Mr. Lyons. Australian Prime Minister, whose statement gives a surplus of something over \$6,500,000 instead of an estimated deficit of \$5,700,000.

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Need for Readjustment of Price Relationship is Evident

Only Way to Augment Real Purchasing Power of the Farmer is to Increase Industrial Production to its Former Level - Only Obstacle is Financial

By Fred V. Stone, in Saturday Night

We have been told that the farmers are the back-bone of the country. It is said that, when they produce much wealth and prosper, the whole nation shares in that prosperity. The abundance of their production is the basis for increased wealth among other

What then is wrong with the back-bone of the country to-day, if according to the old adage, that particular part of the body politic has been correctly identified? Is our economic distress the result of a weakening backbone? Not if abundance of production is the criterion of a strong spinal column. The farmers are creating as much real wealth in the way of foodstuffs and other goods as they ever did. There is nothing wrong with the back-bone of the country as far as production is concerned. The wheels of. industry may stop and factories may lie idle, but the farmer keeps on plowing and harvesting. No problem of unemployed for him.

The growing popularity of the "back-to-the-land" movement would seem to suggest that what we need is more vertebrae in the back-bone of the country. But already our farmers are producing a larger quantity of agricultural commodities than can be consumed. The price of farm products is less than 50 per cent of what it was three years ago; in some cases, notably wheat, the farmer receives about one-third the pre-depression price, and still surplus stocks accumulate. Call it over-production or call it underconsumption, the solution is not more farmers. 'Already we have too much back-bone and we don't need any more vertebrae. -

A "back-to-the-shop" movement would be much more appropriate to the needs of the nation. Industrial production and the the distributive trades are the weak organs in our economic system. The Employment Index of Canada which relates to industry and all firms engaging fifteen or more employees has dropped from 127 in August, 1929 to 86 in August, 1932. This means that approximately only 67 per cent of the industrial and commercial working force is operating at the present time. In other words, while the farmers have maintained the level of their production during the past three years, the industrial and distributive activities of the country have been severely curtailed.

It may be argued that increased production is futile because the market for industrial output has shrivelled in the face of diminishing purchasing power in the hands of the consumer. It is pointed out in particular that the farmer has no money with which to buy the finished products of industry. Truly he has less money, not by reason of decreased production, but on account of a greatly reduced price level for what he has to sell.

The abnormally low purchasing power of the farming class, which includes about 50 per cent of the total population, arises out of the changed relationship between the prices of farm produce and the prices of finished products, the output of industry. While farm prices have gone 50 per cent or more since 1929, retail prices and cost of services have been reduced not more than 20 per -cent. As a result of this changed relationship in prices, the farmer's purchasing in terms of finished products is only 60 per cent of what it formerly was. In other words, 100 units of farm produce which formerly exchanged for 100 units of finished goods, can be exchanged today for only 60 such units.

Now this alteration in the rate of exchange as between farm and finished products can be explained by the decrease in industrial production which has amounted to 35 per cent since 1929, while agricultural output has remained approximately constant. This leads to the conclusion that the only way to augment the real purchasing power of the farmer is to increase industrial production to its former

Physically there are no obstacles to be overcome in realizing such an increase. The raw materials, the factories, the equipment, the man power are available and ready for use. The difficulty to be faced is a financial one because, unless farm prices go up as industrial production increases, prices of finished products would have to go down. The lowering of such prices necessitates reduced operating expenses and fixed charges in all the industrial and distributive trades, which involves decreased nominal salaries, wages and interest rates. However it must be remembered that the real purchasing power of incomes derived from these sources as a result of industrial and commercial activity would not be reduced. The lower nominal income would be balanced by the lower retail price level, thus maintaining the level of real incomes.

The "back-to-the-land" movement which is being assisted by the Dominion and Provincial Governments as a relief measure, signifies a partial breakdown in our industrial system. From an economic standpoint: we don't need more farmers. What we urgently require is more industrial workers busy at their jobs, so as to enable industry to catch up with agriculture in the matter of production.

Those people returning to the land to-day can live only on a subsistence basis, providing for themselves nearly all the necessities of life, but buying or selling very little. From the social point of view it is undoubtedly better to be so situated than to be on relief in the city. If the industrial system refuses to provide employment, while raw materials pile up and factories stand idle, then a return to the semiprimitive and self-sufficient way of life offers a welcome escape from the monotony and demoralizing effect of unemployment. It is a reaactionary movement which represents the turning back of the hands of time. If and when prosperity returns through the resuscitation of industry and commerce, these people will inevitably drift back to the cities where the normal trend of economic developments clearly indicates they belong.

The readjustment of price relationships is a prime necessity in the economic situation of to-day. Forces impeding it are a hindrance to the return of prosperity. Until it is effected we shall have greatly reduced purchasing power in the hands of producers of raw materials and mass unemployment among industrial workers. . The clarion call to industry is "carry on" and reduce costs of production in a measure commensurate with the decreased money incomes of that great body of consumers upon whom the market depends.

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