

Some Local Boys Crossed Ocean on These Super Ships

Some of our local boys have returned home aboard the Queen Mary and more will be returning aboard this magnificent liner before the year is out. To them added to the biggest thrill of all, that of returning home was another, that of travelling on the largest heroine of the sea, which along with her sister ship, the Queen Elizabeth have borne allied armies unscathed across perilous oceans for five years.

Before these two ships had even commenced to carry the vast host of men across the Atlantic for the invasion, they had ferried 105,000 troops and steamed 339,000 miles to other theatres of war such as North Africa and the Pacific.

The Atlantic ship is short compared to these and a larger number of passengers can obviously be accommodated.

It was accordingly determined to pack them as closely as possible with troops. In making the alterations that ingenious invention, the standard, proved its worth. The ordinary ship's hammock, to which marines of every nation the world over are accustomed, had proved an object of doubtful value as a bed to the Australian and New Zealand troops. The mysteries of hammock slinging are not for landsmen and there was no reason to suppose that men from Canada and United States would be more expert in their manipulation of hammocks than were their Dominion comrades in arms. They were therefore abolished, and in their place a neat stretcherlike contraption, supported on steel uprights and made of canvas stung on poles, was substituted. The great advantage of these tiered bunks, or staterooms, was the small amount of space they occupied. Staterooms so fitted could accommodate ten times the number of passengers they had held in time of peace. Moreover, the canvas shelves, being hinged, could be folded flat against the side of the ship and could be built up in tiers of anything from two to six. They were installed everywhere—in the great saloons and dining rooms, in all the staterooms except the few reserved for the officers of the ships. Only two dining rooms and two lounges were retained to provide a space where eating and some form of recreation were possible. The swimming pools were made into dining rooms and the squash courts into stores. In fact, the only parts of the great ships which were left clear were the alleyways and companionways. In this manner it was possible for some 8,000 troops to repose themselves, but this was not enough. A man does not sleep for 24 hours a day. So a two-shift system was instituted and the number, which could be carried was almost doubled. There were, in fact, two men to every bunk. Thus it was that from May to September 1943 the average number of troops carried by each ship on each voyage was more than 15,000, and even in the winter months which followed it never fell below 12,000 on the Queen Mary or 13,000 on the Queen Elizabeth. In other words, for every voyage lasting less than a week a whole division of infantry could be taken into the battle zone.

The two main problems confronting the authorities responsible for the ships were, first, to see to it that his great host should never go hungry and, second, to provide a sufficient number of safety devices to ensure that in the event of disaster every man on board should at least have a chance of saving his life. The English proverb, "A hungry man, an angry man," was constantly borne in mind by the cooks of the Queen Elizabeth and the Queen Mary. With upwards of 15,000 troops on board it was impossible to produce more than two meals a day. The number of sausages fried in any one day would, if put end to end, stretch entirely round the ship, or the amount cooked on occasion was three tons. Each ship had a lifeboat certificate for 4,000 persons. A number of additional boats were fitted but it was impossible to provide enough for all. The deficiency was made up by installing large rafts and these, together with the boats, provided emergency accommodation for 25% more than the maximum number of troops ever carried on any one trip. Boat and raft drill were rehearsed at least once daily and at all times, light and day, every officer and man on board was required to carry a life belt.

There were other aspects of the problem of giving 15,000 men tolerable conditions in which to live during the voyage. Conditions on board ven vessels as huge as the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth could never be more than "tolerable." But cramped quarters can be made easier to bear by organization. It was impossible to allow the freedom of either ship to everyone. Consequently they were divided into three zones—the red, white and blue—and every man, before he came on board was given a card of one of these colors. That card entitled him to live and move only in that part of the ship corresponding to his color. It indicated the place and hour of his meal. Each soldier provided his own "eating irons" and washed up by means of special equipment at the door of each dining hall.

Peanut hulls have become the source of a new material. Women's handbags, chair pads, wallboard, and furniture panels, shoes, are a few of the products that have been developed from the new material.

AUCTION SALE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE INCLUDING RADIO, RUGS, DISHES, COOKING UTENSILS, ETC.

The undersigned has received instructions to sell by public auction at the residence of

HARRY BRILLINGER
MAIN STREET WEST
STOUFFVILLE

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 29

1945, the following property
Gerrard Heintzman Piano & Bench in good condition
2-piece Chesterfield, new 2 yrs. ago
Cogsweal Chair & Foot Stool
Coffee Table, Walnut
Mahogany Lamp Table
2 Walnut End Tables
Two-Light Electric Lamp
Table Lamp Occasional Chair
Mahogany Floor Lamp
8-piece Dining Room Suite, fumed oak
Round Mirror Mahogany Rocker
Wilton Rug, 6 1/2 x 7 1/2
Mahogany Bed Hall Mirror, new
Mattress & Springs
Large Mahogany Dresser with beveled mirror
Walnut Dresser
Walnut Bed, Springs & Spring Mattress

Rose Bedroom Rug
Walnut Dressing Table & Bench
Large Chest of Drawers
Walnut Occasional Chair
2 Bedroom Lights
Oval Mahogany Table
Barometer Floor Waxer
Telephone Desk & Chair, Walnut
Leather Hassock
Magic Air Vacuum and all equipment, near new
2 Card Tables
Columbia Radio, 10 tube, in first class condition
Square Wall Mirror
2-piece Chesterfield Suite with slip covers

Studio Couch with Spring Mattress
2 Bed Couches Round Table
2 Drop-Leaf Tables
Bridge Lamp Small Rug
Mahogany Table Lamp
Axminster Rug, 7 x 4 1/2
Axminster Rug, 4 x 6
Velvet Rug, 9 x 12
Iron Bed and Springs
Metal Bed & Springs, Simmons
Mahogany Washstand
Electric Sandwich Grill
Electric Toaster, Hot Point
Dresser Mattress
2 Brass Mantel Lamps
Child's Crib Bedroom Box
Quantity Books
Electric Sewing Machine, Western Electric
Quantity Pictures
All Cooking Utensils including a large quantity Aluminum Ware
Quantity Glass Dishes and China
Number Good Vases
Bread Box Flour Bin
Electric Kitchen Clock
Harris Ice Refrigerator, white enamel, like new
Acme Electric Stove, 2 high speed elements, in first class condition
Drapes

4 White Kitchen Chairs
Table, White Enamel Top
Baby's High Chair
Table Linens Baby Carriage
Veranda Gate 2 Rocking Chairs
2 Pair Velour Portieres
Window Shades
Large Gardener
2 Square Kitchen Tables
Number Large Crocks
Garden Table Step Ladder
Large Quantity Good Jars
Stone Churn Lawn Mower
Extension Ladder, 30 ft
Quantity Hose Shovels
Clippers Lawn Chair
2 Large Veranda Chairs

Terms, Cash
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No Reserve, as owner is leaving town
Lloyd Turner, Clerk
A. S. Farmer, Auctioneer
Gormley, Ont., Ph. Stouff. 7312

CHALK RIVER BOMB PLANT MATERIAL MOVING FOR YEAR
Sudbury, Aug. 13 — They didn't know its exact nature but railroaders of this Canadian Pacific Division have known for over a year that "some big thing" was underway near Chalk River, Sudbury district, where it was revealed that a processing pilot plant for the new atomic bombs is under way.

Chalk River, a turnaround terminal, 2 miles from Pembroke and served only by the Can. Pac. Railway was the place where construction material has been laid down for the new plant since the summer of 1944.

The movement was just as secret as President Roosevelt's fishing trip to Manitoulin Island over our lines in 1943, said a member of the staff of F. M. Donegan, superintendent of the Sudbury Division, who was in charge of the Chalk River shipments.

An average of 150 cars per month were spotted on the C.P.R. main track for a 12-month period up to last June, it was revealed and the movement is continuing.

The construction company got the material to the plant site under elaborate security regulations, railroaders on that run were told.

The construction project, which is part of the United Nations' gigantic gamble to split the atom meant an increase in the freight staff at Chalk River, where normally the C.P.R. maintains staff for a round-house, car repair, track and terminal operation.

Chalk River's population numbers 500, most of them dependent on the C.P.R. It is a place where the railroad's Quebec and Algoma districts meet.

It pays to use Tribune Classified ads for prompt results

New Varieties of Rust-Resistant Wheat

During the past week, the York County Crop Improvement Association, in co-operation with local Jr. Farmers groups, held three field meetings to give farmers an opportunity to see several plots of new varieties of rust-resistant wheat. In four rust areas in the county, seed had been supplied by the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, to test out these new varieties on drill width plots and the very striking differences were pointed out by agricultural representative W. M. Cockburn.

On the Snively farm at Lake Wilcox, operated by Geo. I. Smith, the new and unnamed 601, the Roxton and Vicland (a U.S.A. variety) were all standing up in this very bad leaf rust area. The new Beaver and Ajax were badly broken down and the Erban also damaged to some extent. About 25 local farmers attended in spite of the rain on Tuesday evening.

On Wednesday evening, fifty neighbors, meeting at Wm. Cameron's south of Woodbridge, found that the 601 and Roxton were the only varieties standing, there being no Vicland planted there. The farmers present however, reported that the Erban was showing fair resistance to the leaf rust.

At Pefferlaw, the lots on the farm of Albert Weir, were all standing, but as with the other tests, the 601 was very clean in the straw. On all farms, the Roxton was standing but showing some rust. However, this is a rather late variety with very long straw and does not appeal to the York County farmers, particularly on heavy land.

Send the Tribune to absent friends.

WILLOW BEACH FAVILION WILCOX LAKE DANCING

Thurs. and Satur. Nights
12.05-???

KEN ROSE AND HIS BAND
ADMISSION 35 cents

Roller Skating
Monday, Wednesday and Friday NIGHTS
Matinee, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.
"DANCE AND SKATE AT WILCOX LAKE"

WESTERN HARVEST AT HEIGHT IN ONE WEEK

Harvesting of early sown grains, chiefly barley in Manitoba and Southeastern Saskatchewan, is reported during the past week, but cutting will not become general for another week to ten days. In the drought area, which embraces Western Saskatchewan and Eastern Alberta many sections reported using every means to harvest the crops that remain while in certain areas livestock are being turned into grain fields owing to shortage of pasture, according to the weekly crop report of the Department of Agriculture of the CNR.

CHANGE STUDIED IN GASOLINE TAX EXEMPTION PLAN

(Continued from Front Page) exists, but the Gasoline Tax Act has now partly fallen away," one Government official explained. He indicated that "a drastic change in policy" now is likely.

Alternative Systems
It is understood the Department of Highways is considering three solutions:

1. A return to the affidavit system of rebating taxes. This would mean refunding tax on a sworn affidavit that the gasoline was not used for travel on Provincial highways.

2. Institution of a modified affidavit whereby up to \$5 tax would be rebated on a simple application by the user.

3. Wiping out entirely of all rebates and refunds of gasoline taxes as some of the United States already have done.

The Government is unwilling to adopt the third course and it is said that it is also unwilling to embark on a plan to market "marked" gasoline tax free. Under the present system there is no provision for farmers and others in this category buying the other two grades of gasoline above the "marked" type. Furthermore, many farmers are protesting that the purple dye used in the "marked" gasoline is harmful to farm machinery. Opinion generally seems to lean to a return to the old affidavit system, but in a modified form. Decision will be made by the Highways Department within a few days, it is expected. Best argument for such a course, officials indicated, is that it will eliminate entirely the mounting and expensive abuse of the present permit system while still guaranteeing an annual saving of nearly \$4 million in cheaper gasoline to farmers, fishermen and others whose livelihood depends on it. Exemptions now granted to dry cleaners and a number of other businesses under affidavit will be continued.

FOTO NITE

\$115.00

To-night (Thursday) and every Thursday, is FOTO-NITE at the **Stanley Theatre** STOUFFVILLE

There are only two things to do to be sure of qualifying for the \$115. offer.

1. Be sure to sign your name on a Foto-Nite registration card
2. Be sure to be present at the STANLEY THEATRE, on Foto-Nite

Mrs. Vera Woodward, whose name was selected last week, was not present at the theatre, so we are adding \$15. to the original offer. Therefore, to-night, August 23rd's offer is \$115.

It's a Lot of Fun! It's a Lot of Cash!

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- #### FOTO-NITE REGISTRATION CARD
1. Sign your name on FOTO-NITE REGISTRATION CARD.
 2. Deposit it in FOTO-NITE BOX in lobby.
 3. Register only once. All duplicates destroyed.
 4. If your name is selected and if you are at the theatre the management will offer to enter into a contract for the purchase and use of your photograph subject to the terms therein contained.
 5. The management will offer to purchase your photograph the following Foto-Nite.
 6. Children under 12 years not eligible.
 7. The management reserves the right to purchase or reject your photograph.
 8. You must respond when your name is called to be eligible.

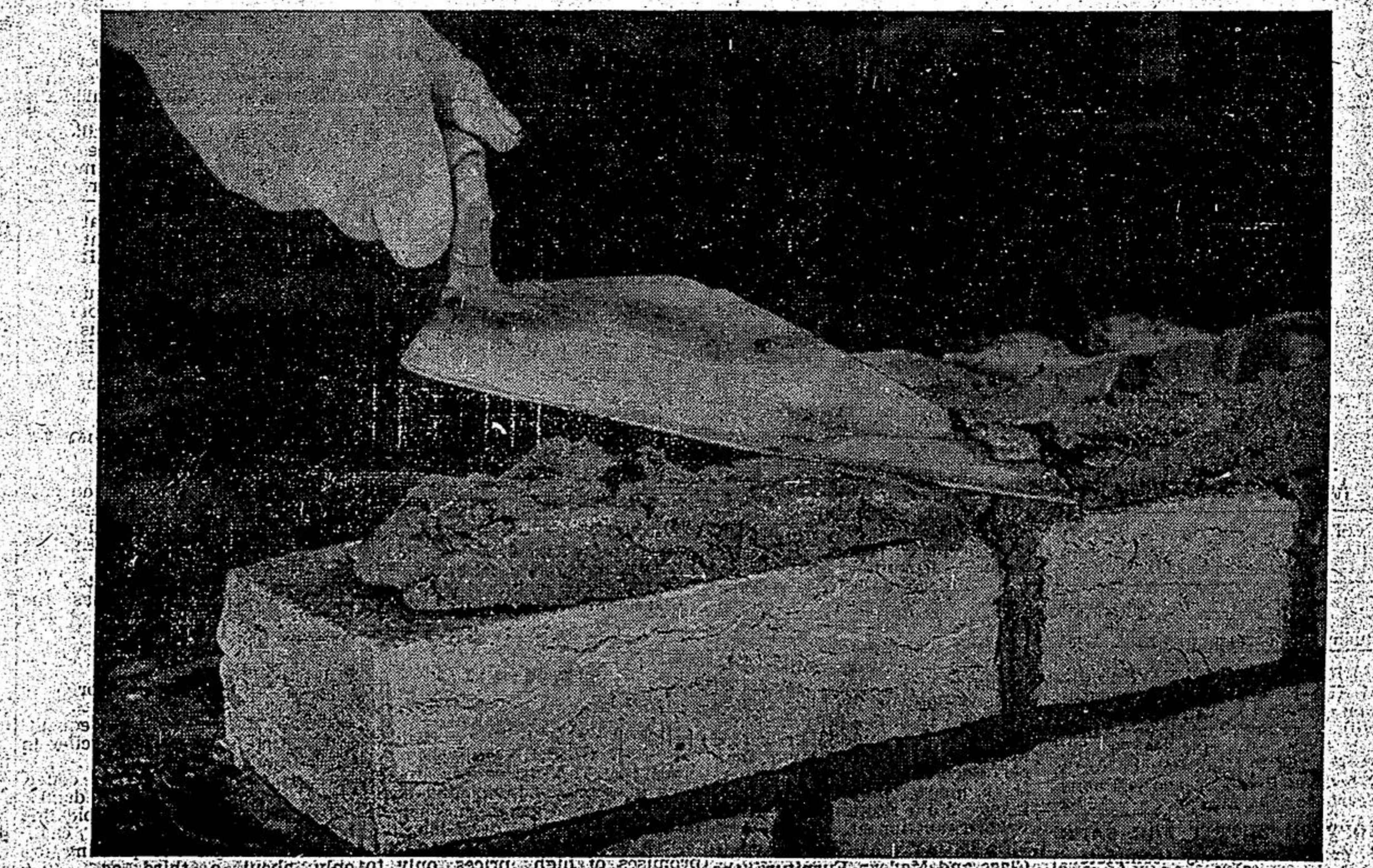
REGISTER NOW! at the theatre, either by phone or in person

To-night on our screen!

"The Very Thought of You"

with Dennis Morgan and Faye Emmerson

Stanley Theatre, Stouffville



It takes more than bricks!

SOMEDAY THAT DREAM home will be yours—if you are willing to fight for it today! Bricks may build a house, but to build a home you need more than bricks! You need security—a job—a future! And these depend on a Canadian dollar that will always buy a full dollar's worth of goods—a steady, sound dollar that's not pulled down to half its value by inflation! That's why it's necessary NOW—more than ever now—for all of us to fight and work to keep that dollar worth a dollar!

Why is it so important NOW? Because now is the time civilian goods are scarce, and money is plentiful. NOW is the time we must guard against paying MORE than things are worth for, or buying things we

don't really need. We must support rationing, observe price ceilings, and avoid black markets. If we do this, we can keep prices from shooting sky high. If we don't, some day we'll be paying a dollar for fifty cents' worth of goods. (This means your dollars—those dollars you've saved to buy your home—will only be worth fifty cents! This is inflation!)

And after inflation comes depression! We know what happened after the last war! It mustn't be allowed to happen again. That's why, for our own sakes, and for the sake of the returned men to whom we owe a job, a future, a home of their own—we must make sure Canada's dollar remains steady. We must keep up a constant fight against our country's enemy—inflation!

Make this Pledge Today!

I pledge myself to do my part in fighting inflation:

- By observing rationing and avoiding black markets in any shape or form.
- By respecting price controls and other anti-inflation measures, and refraining from careless and unnecessary buying. I will not buy two where one will do, nor will I buy a "new" where an "old" will do.
- By buying Victory Bonds, supporting taxation and abiding by all such measures which will lower the cost of living, and help keep prices at a normal level.