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Lord Halifax And Our Future

There can be no mistaking the import of the speech delivered in Toronto this week by Lord Halifax, British Ambassador at Washington.

Trade Board Activities

The admirable report submitted by President V. A. Ainsworth at the annual meeting of the Board of Trade last night sums up most of the Province's trade and transportation problems.

Post-War Population

With all its wide open spaces, of which so much is heard, Canada has a particularly perplexing population problem insistently calling for attention.

favourable conditions which had surrounded her first 70 years of nationhood had disappeared, and she must look to new forces and attractions.

The second fact regarding Canada's prospects has reference to the vexed question of immigration. The trend of population in the western world is downward, which means that if Canada decides to seek population through immigration she will be doing so when population is assuming a scarcity value.

The third fact regarding post-war population is that nearly a million men will be demobilized from Canada's armed forces, and probably another million persons now engaged in war industries will require a change of job.

The fourth consideration to which attention should be given is the thought of some persons, looking at Canada's "great open spaces," that this country could support hundreds of millions of people.

A brief presented to the Rowell-Sirois Royal Commission estimated that Canada has not more than 18 million acres of arable land still available for occupancy, and described it as inferior, wooded, and patchy.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions, has been mentioned as the likely appointee to the new Ministry of Reconstruction.

The City of Charlottetown is now happy and prosperous—thanks, in no small measure, to a more progressive spirit. The rich no longer benefit by pay-in-advance discounts at the expense of the poorer taxpayers.

Giuseppe Verdi, Italian composer, died this date, 1901; known almost solely by his operas; achieved success in 1851 with Rigolotto, Il Trovatore in 1853, La Traviata in 1855; these closed his triumphs until his Aida was produced at Cairo in 1871; his career ended brilliantly with Otello in 1887 and Falstaff in 1893.

Here is a pleasant prospect for nearly all of us. A Vancouver inventor who refused to give his name is quoted by the Vancouver News-Herald as saying he planned to drive across Canada this summer at an operating cost of 38 cents in a motor vehicle powered by electricity drawn from the air. The 38 cents, he said, would be expended for lubricating oil. The invention has been patented.

Should Quebec Legislature adopt the Government's proposal to nationalize the Montreal Heat and Power Co., the rumour is that Dr. Augustin Frigon, acting general manager of CBC will be appointed to the presidency of a newly constituted Quebec Hydro Commission. He was formerly principal of Montreal Polytechnical school and a member of the electricity commission named in 1934 to study electrical matters in the province.

Conditions that produced 1943's increases in retail selling still obtain, according to an article in Nation's Business. The outlook for 1944 has been further improved by promise of increased supplies of materials for civilian goods. Textiles are ample. Synthetic rubber has been authorized for specified items. The manufacturer is beginning to find a solution to the manpower problem.

"Our greatest curse today is lack of faith, not only in the electrical industry but in all industry that is based on the profit motive." Mr. S. B. Williams, New York City, editor of Electrical World, told delegates to the annual winter conference of the Canadian Electrical Association. He spoke on Faith in Tomorrow. "We have lost faith in ourselves, and we have lost much of the faith the people had in us as business men," he said. "It is such loss of faith that gives rise to government ownership, to regimentation, to schemes for social security." Urging the delegates to be ready for the "greatest era of expansion" after war, he said: "Let us be ready for it, and so busy in our job of expansion that we have no time to worry about government ownership. If we do our job the public won't worry. Let us spend less time in efforts to protect what we have, and spend more time risking our all in expansion because of our great faith."

Notes By The Way

In the lively field of crime the season's high is the theft of 1,000 sets of false teeth. Now for the ration coupons to correspond.—Winnipeg Tribune.

Mrs. G. F. Fisher, the wife of the Bishop of London, broke an age-old custom the other day by being the first woman ever to speak in St. Paul's Cathedral.—Fredericton Gleaser.

Goebbels is reported to have all Berlin guessing about a shadow and a question mark. Posters have appeared over the ruins of bombed buildings and on the front page of newspapers showing only the shadow of a man and a shadow that, with a large question mark, perhaps it is meant to warn of coming events.—Hamilton Spectator.

A Providence lady had rather an exciting telephone call the other day. The Long Distance man told her that she would accept a collect call from Miami. "We're not allowed to tell you who is calling," the operator said. "It's a military secret." Being a shrewd guesser the lady accepted the call and sure enough reported her son who had joined the Navy. His first words were, "Hello, Mother. This is George. I can't tell you where I am—military secret."—The New Yorker.

The Duchess of Windsor has kept her place at the top of the list of the most famous women of the world. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth is not even mentioned in the first part of the list. The Duchess is not mentioned in the first part of the list. The Duchess is not mentioned in the first part of the list.

Uncle Sam has given eyeglasses to more than 1,000,000 soldiers to improve their eyesight and make them more efficient for military duty. The American Optical Company reports that the eyeglass program is being carried out in the army. The program is being carried out in the army.

Challenging a manpower shortage Tokyo is simplifying book-keeping in Japanese banks. The first step already announced was to stop paying interest on deposits. The next one it would seem probable, should be to stop withdrawals. This would save more than \$100,000,000 a year.

An indication that a person who loses consciousness during a disaster stands a better chance, if he escapes by himself, than if he is helped by others. This is the conclusion of a study of neuro-psychiatric complications in victims of Boston's St. Valentine's fire published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. The study is the work of Dr. J. H. Adams of Boston and is based on examination of 46 of the 131 victims of the disaster.

A queer instance of a baseless story widely credited, is the denunciation of Mrs. Stow for being misrepresented. Kentucky had had big, savage bloodhounds chasing Eliza. L. Lamprey writes in the American Mercury. The common version is that Mrs. Stow knew nothing about the South; a real bloodhound is a gentle little beast that would not hurt a child.

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PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Editor reserves the right to accept or reject any article. It is necessary to adhere to the opinions of correspondents.

A NON-ALCOHOLIC "KICK" NEEDED

Sir—Mr. Clark and some others want prohibition abolished in P. E. I. It does not make sense to my idea to expect less drinking by making drinks more alcoholic. We are getting to think about the coming generation, and keep them from temptation by not putting it in their way. The alcoholic beverage belongs to the horse and buggy age if it ever rightfully belonged to any age.

MR. W. A. GAUDET FOR MAYOR?

Sir—Mr. W. A. Gaudet's letter "Protect Swimming Places" which appeared in the Patriot on the 21st inst. is well written and very much to the point. The Kensington Beach is an old swimming spot of his, remember as a very young sufferer from the diphtheria. "Bicycle Champ" Gaudet speaking out to a spot behind the butts for his kind words. It is my recollection that he usually rode on a bicycle having a yellow frame. Bending low over the handle bars, he was pumping in perfect rhythm. He would fly over the ground with the man on the flying trapeze.

Mr. Gaudet's efforts to provide good healthy amusement facilities would be objected to the inclusion in such a Cabinet of Mr. Bracken; nothing in Mr. Bracken's record suggests that he could not function comfortably and effectively in a cabinet position.

THE MARKED GAS TAX

Sir—As the opening date of Legislature draws nearer and many of our hon. friends are busy arranging their speeches, there is one question that has not yet been overlooked that is the marked gas tax.

Every fisherman and farmer of user of marked gas has to pay ten cents extra on the gallon mark. He has to purchase (which certainly runs into big money). This is the government's use of the word "marked" gas.

In the year just passed I used over four hundred gallons of marked gas for my home and fishing purposes only. There are many fishermen and farmers throughout our Province who have used much more, and are taking it on the whole most of us would be amazed at the amount of money the government has received to for a number of months each year without having to pay any interest whatsoever. Yet this goes on and on.

So here's a challenge to quite a number of our hon. friends during their campaign on the eve of the Provincial election last autumn. Let them try to get the government to follow through on their promise to impress the public, of the great deeds they had done in the past, and the greater deeds that they are to follow through on their government be returned.

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Saturday Night's Sudden Conversion

(Sydney Post-Record) Toronto Saturday Night, formerly independent but vigilantly looked after by its present editorial management, has just achieved the heady prize of National Government in a featured first page editorial. The process of its conversion is not set out in this rather remarkable editorial leader, but last summer's Provincial election in Ontario, followed by the explosive results of four Dominion by-elections, may have furnished some of the causal elements which produced the change.

A few extracts from Saturday Night's first page effort will serve to show where it now stands and why it stands there instead of where it formerly stood. We quote: "This Journal has at no time joined in the clamor for a National Government in Canada, because of its conviction that such a government could enlist no support from a very large element, and a very important and self-conscious element, of the Canadian nation. But when time has elapsed and the one issue which ensured the abstention of that element, could we not hope for a pretty general rallying of the nation around a Cabinet containing most of the really effective members of the Cabinet of the last four years, of both races, together with some trusted and able men from other parties?"

Some of this language is good—as Hamlet might say, "very good." The word "clamor" for example, to describe the demand for National Government before Saturday Night favored that kind of thing, is eloquent with meaning. The circumscription by which the people of Quebec are described without being named, by which conservatism is discussed without being mentioned, and its post-war burial indicated but not affirmed, is a masterpiece of the oblique method of approach—a veritable gem of indirection. But here it is the purple-patch of all: "Most of the really effective members of the Cabinet of the last four years." Saturday Night does well to "name no names."

But Saturday Night does mention the Progressive Conservative leader. "No element in the country," it observes patronizingly, "would object to the inclusion in such a Cabinet of Mr. Bracken; nothing in Mr. Bracken's record suggests that he could not function comfortably and effectively in a cabinet position."

Despite the C.P.F. Socialist leader's "flow of opinion of the whole economic system," he is urged not "to remain outside the national organization."—Saturday Night's "flow of opinion" is a real gem of indirection from a figment to a reality,—but to participate in it and help it to succeed, in the faith that even a crooked Canada must some day adopt what he regards as the only economic gospel. Even Labor, the Toronto paper, concedes, might also step into the picture.

But there can be no profit in following this shadow—boxing through all its vain rounds. Without interest, in any case, magnetic power, or the integrity of its underlying Liberalism, its thin-walled attempt to salvage Mr. King and some "really effective members" of his Cabinet from the coming electoral avalanche, is a task beside which the resurrection of Humphrey Dumfries would be the door on National Government, and those to administer Canada's affairs in this war through a one-party Ministry, he became the destroyer not only of national unity, but of his own Administration and of the political careers of all those "really effective members" of his Cabinet as well. No responsible public leader would, in the circumstances, dare to take political pot luck from now on with Mr. King and his associates; for by so doing they could only arrive in time to share in a great electoral debacle. A Coalition may or may not be organized after the next election, but it is a matter of time before it is returned. Before that time it must remain impossible. And it is impossible because Mr. Mackenzie King has made it so.

Cooking In Liquors

(H. S. Sarsion, in Nature) Until the turn of the nineteenth century meats and fish cooked in holiday delicacies, but merely re-purposed a meal to come home to at the end of an ordinary day.

In those pre-vitamin days it is type of cooking was a mixture of poor Mr. Sarsion suggests. Wines and ale rich in riboflavin, vitamin G in America, vitamin B3 in England improved to the foods which they were prepared enough vitamins to replace a substantial dose of present-day vitamin pills.

Mankind, fifteen century dish, was made from a mixture of finely shredded pheasant, partridge and capon, often with the addition of port or wal. During the cooking process wine was added six times, and also once.

Sir Kenelm Digby, a 17th century gourmet, recommended that chicken fed be mixed with ale, and that chickens have strong ale to drink.

For stewing rump of beef. Sir Kenelm instructed: "Put upon a slow fire about two parts of good strong deep well bodied claret wine. In this time a mixture of scurvy-grass, wormwood, horehound, and various herbs steeped in five gallons of ale. The patient was required to drink a pint of this stimulating brew at night and morning for a three-week period."

Port and sherry were used on all possible occasions in 18th century cuisine. Sherry was usually stewed in ale. For caplains of stewed vessels, a recipe for mushroom ketchup to keep 30 years states: "Take a gallon strong stale beer."

Present-day departure from this type of vitamin-laden cooking can be traced to the industrial revolution of the 19th century, notes the author. A population movement toward the city, with its cramped kitchens requiring ready prepared foods, coupled with the ever-increasing tax on fermented liquors and the decline of home brewing, resulted in the change to

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The Peet's Corner REQUISITION. In lonely watchtowers at night Great visions burst upon my sight. For down the stretches of the sky The hosts of dead go marching by.

Dear Christ, who reign'st above the flood Of human tears and human blood, O house them in the home of God.

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