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## Democracy Depends Upon Responsibility of Individuals

Yale President Tells How Citizens Are Responsible In A Democracy

Unlike communism and fascism or any form of the totalitarian state, democracy assumes that no citizen is capable of making the fundamental decisions. Things that turn out to be wrong can be changed, under democratic rule. Thus did President Angell of Yale University, remind this year's graduating class that democracy depends upon the responsibility of the individual.

This idea that wrongs can be changed is worth remembering when governments grow violent and thought breaks down under the pressure of trying circumstances. Besides paying his taxes the citizen of a democratic state owes his government much private thinking.

Although the taxes are severe, paying them is the easier of the two obligations. Thinking requires command over knowledge, which is bewildering in amount, and personal strength of mind. During periods of long crisis minds become weary and nerves draw taut, and when there is a general collapse in private thinking, the State loses strength, direction and moral principle. Great leaders may be able to pull a democratic State through a crisis by personal force of character; but in the long run they require the incentive of an enlightened electorate.

If every citizen were wise and also virtuous, democratic government would be simple. It could confine itself to performing the elementary functions of admin-

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## Halifax Observes 186th Anniversary Of Its Founding

Progressive Spirit of Its Citizens Is Still in Evidence.

Halifax, Nova Scotia, is being congratulated upon attaining the ripe old age of 186 years. It was founded on June 20 by Hon. Edward Cornwallis. The men who settled there chose well, for today the site where rude log cabins once stood close to the shore, great wharves and warehouses are important features of world commerce.

One hundred and eighty-six years ago a handful of pioneers of sturdy English stock and descendants of French noblemen had landed on the shores of one of the finest natural harbors in the world, cleared the forest, set up their homes and founded the city of Halifax.

Today their spirit determination and consistent enthusiasm coupled with the progressive policies of past citizenry has resulted in a city with excellent waterfront facilities, with vast cargoes going in and out; as a centre of education, Dalhousie, King's, Nova Scotia Technical College, and St.

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## Freight Rates Are Detrimental To Maritime Trade

Concessions Granted in Ontario and Quebec Nullify Provisions of Act.

The Maritime Freight Rates Act, as the public generally know, is a statutory projection of the freight rates recommendations of the Duncan Report (1926).

The most vital section of the Maritime Freight Rates Act is No. 8, which reads as follows:

The purpose of this Act is to give certain statutory advantages in rates to persons and industries in the three Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and in addition upon the lines in the Province of Quebec mentioned in section two, together hereinafter called "select territory" accordingly the Board shall not approve nor allow any tariffs which may destroy or prejudicially affect such advantages in favor of persons or industries located elsewhere than in such select territory.

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## CELEBRATES 42nd BIRTHDAY



This latest picture of the PRINCE OF WALES shows the heir to Britain's throne is beginning to look his years. It was made during the ceremonies in connection with the Silver Jubilee. The Prince of Wales celebrated his forty-second birthday on Sunday, June 23rd.

## Public Must Be Kept Informed On C. N. R. Finances

Proposals Of Chairman Of Trustees Meets Stern Opposition

The finances of the Canadian National Railways are of interest to the people in all parts of Canada for they have to bear the burden of providing for the deficits of that railway. There has been much talk of writing down the C.N.R. capital structure, but while Mr. Bennett remains Prime Minister there is little likelihood of this. According to the correspondence between Mr. Bennett and the chairman of the C.N.R. Board of Trustees there is a sharp difference of opinion between these two gentlemen, but the Prime Minister seems to be standing on firm ground.

The Prime Minister insists that the Canadian people should have a correct picture of the stake which the country has in this railway enterprise. This is the kernel of the whole case, says the Montreal Gazette. The advocates of truncation do not want the public to have this correct picture but they have never yet offered a satisfactory explanation of their advocacy. They have not shown, because they cannot show, that the earning capacity of the Canadian National system would be improved in the slightest degree. What they are asking really is that the earnings of the system be made to look better in the eyes of the taxpayer by misleading the latter as to the true relationship of such earnings to the real overhead. Those who are seeking to bring about this condition are naturally apprehensive lest public ownership and operation of railways become utterly discredited in the public mind by reason of the inability of the system to carry so great a capital load. There is also a suspicion that some of these advocates look forward to a time when, by misrepresentation of the actual financial position of the railway, an apparent improvement in the relationship of earnings to capital may be used as an argument for a further depression of rates. That such a demand in such circumstances would be forthcoming is not a matter of guesswork on the part of anybody who is at all familiar with the political aspects of the railway problem.

It is quite possible to remove many millions of capitalization from the books of the railway.

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## A Message From Premier Tilley

TO MY FELLOW CITIZENS OF NEW BRUNSWICK  
VOTERS OF NEW BRUNSWICK:



Hon. L. P. Tilley,  
Premier of N. B.

I am confidently expecting that by the exercise of your intelligent vote, the Government party will be returned to power at Fredericton on Thursday of this week. I base this expectation upon a thoroughgoing survey made during the past fortnight throughout the Province.

It has been a rather exciting campaign for our staid Province, in some spots a regrettably noisy one. The Government party takes satisfaction in the knowledge that unseemly interference with public speakers and the many sharp practices used to becloud the public mind, were none of its doing. Its campaign has been dignified, straightforward and waged upon the merits of the Government's achievements.

The sensible and discriminating electorate in all parts of New Brunswick is realizing more each day that Thursday's balloting will be upon the record of a Government that succeeded in keeping this Province out of the depth of depression and enacted over a score of laws and regulations beneficial to wage-earning people in the present economic conditions and a safeguard to them for the future.

I feel my Government ministers and members of the late House have given you a true and faithful account of their stewardship. They are gentlemen whom you considered worthy enough to be your representatives, and those of them offering for reelection, I feel certain, retain that high honor. Our new candidates, too, are men of high standing and integrity in their communities; thoroughly equipped in the practical knowledge and business insight you expect of a legislator.

The Government party stands shoulder to shoulder from one end of New Brunswick to the other. It pledges anew to uphold the solemn obligations of the Province and to protect the religious and secular rights of every section of its people. In these troublous times, with radical elements creeping into every civilized country, our party has always been a stalwart defender of British institutions and British fair-play.

The Government party makes no sectional appeals. As a group of citizens, representative of both tongues and all creeds, it goes to the polls Thursdays confident in the thought that it has succeeded in piloting New Brunswick through the terrific economic storm of the past few years, and has placed on the statute books, for this and future generations, stabilizing measures that will ensure happiness and plenty.

We thank you for past endorsement of our efforts to serve you faithfully and honestly and solicit a continuance of your support through the medium of the ballot box on June 27th. Thus with a clear conscience we have striven—striven successfully—to give our Province good government, economic government, a government that brought the Province through the hard times without a defaulting municipality.

We depend upon you, my fellow citizens, to vote in the interest of your Province by supporting the present Government.

L. P. D. TILLEY.

## Listen In Wednesday

6.30 to 7.00 Old Time  
7.30 to 8.00 Daylight

Premier Tilley will review the campaign in all its phases.

This speech will be broadcast from all Radio Stations in New Brunswick.