

RATION COUPON BANKING

Beginning March 1st, the 3,200 branches of the Chartered Banks of Canada, undertake another wartime service, namely Ration Coupon Banking. It is a vital part of the nation-wide rationing program.

Facts You Should Know

- 1 If you are a merchant, jobber, wholesaler or other dealer receiving ration coupons from your customers, your bank stands ready to show you how to deposit or otherwise deal with the coupons you receive. The same applies if you are a "quota-user."
- 2 It has nothing whatever to do with your regular bank account, in which you deposit dollars and draw cheques in dollars.
- 3 It is purely a relationship between dealers and commercial banks. Ration Banking begins only after the consumer has used his coupons to purchase rationed commodities.
- 4 The banks' job is mainly of an accounting nature—acting as an agent of the Ration Administration, Wartime Prices and Trade Board, under carefully defined regulations.
- 5 Ration Coupon Banking relieves the Ration Administration of the tremendous burden of handling, verifying and accounting for used coupons with which consumers have obtained their supplies.
- 6 If you are a consumer only, it in no way affects how much or how little of rationed commodities you receive. Banks do not issue ration coupons, nor do they have anything to do with the actual rationing of commodities.

By this important addition to the many wartime services they perform, the Chartered Banks serve the nation, facilitate business, and seek to save time and expense to the country.

THE CHARTERED BANKS OF CANADA

Business Activity On the Up-Grade

The Bank of Nova Scotia's Index of Industrial Activity ended last year at 174 per cent of the 1935-1939 average. This represented a slight decline from November, but an advance of about 8 per cent over the level at which it stood at the end of 1941 and of some 65 per cent since the beginning of the war. On balance, the Index showed little net change since

the spring of last year, moving rather irregularly at a sign "plateau" level.

The decline in the most recent month reflected quite sharp falling-off in the component index of industrial freight loadings, to which it seems likely that the very unfavorable weather conditions under which the railways have been operating were a major contributing factor. Shipments of forest products—lumber, pulpwood, and pulp and paper—were particularly affected, and there were

also somewhat more than the usual seasonal declines in the important miscellaneous freight classification and in loadings of merchandise in less-than-carload lots.

The other component of the Index—employment—has been considerably more buoyant than its companion index. In the latest three months for which figures are available it has shown a marked upturn; indeed, it has definitely broken through to new high ground after maintaining relative stability since early summer.

In large part, the sharpness of the recent upswing is due to correction for normal seasonal movements; employment has continued to expand at a time when contraction usually occurs. The further rise, as has been increasingly the case during the past year, reflects activity in the war industries. Employment in such predominantly war groups as chemicals, electrical apparatus, non-ferrous metal products, and iron and steel products has continued to show marked further gains. Building-construction employment, too, has expanded most "unseasonably" this winter, no doubt as the result of the numerous important defence construction projects under way and the continued large volume of Wartime Housing work. On the other hand, the employment figures continue to provide more and more evidence of restriction in non-war activity. This is to be seen not only in the lower level of employment civilian branches of the manufacturing industries, but also in such evidence as the less-than-seasonal rise in logging work, and the further curtailment in the working force of the gold mines.

Hartford

A small group of W. I. members met at the home of Mrs. Perley Hagerman Tuesday afternoon and quilted a quilt for the Red Cross. Another quilt will be quilted this week at the home of Mrs. Domic Tompkins. The regular meeting will be held March 11th at the home of Mrs. Guy Baker. Mrs. David Bagley, Mr. William Bagley and Miss Marie Bagley of Hartford have been recent guests of Mrs. Harley Graham and Mr. Graham.

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The Devil's Pail

By Madge Macbeth

As I see it, there are just two ways of looking at this stamp-buying business. We've got to buy more War Savings Stamps in order to help the war effort, and we've got to buy more stamps in order to feather our own nests for the future. Forgetting patriotism entirely, we are doing a good stroke of business for ourselves.

"What," asks the sarcastic little woman who lives across the hall, "do we use for money?"

There are a hundred substitutes for money, the handiest being WORK! Hold on, you it's not half so bad as it sounds. In the first place, we have accustomed ourselves to think that we must avoid all kind of work except executive work for which we get paid. But there's a kind of work that will help us to save money; to avoid paying somebody else to do it. Then, that money can be put into War Savings Stamps.

Think more, plan better, use your imagination. Put your wits against the needs of the day. Never say, "Oh, I can't be bothered!" This phrase has become practically a national slogan in Canada within the memory of living man.

"Aren't you going to turn off the light in your kitchen?" you ask the girl across the way.

"Oh, I can't be bothered," she answers, comfortably inert on the chesterfield. She snaps on lights all over the place when she could see quite well without them. It's a habit. Of course, for reading, that's a different matter.

Couldn't you mend that pillow slip?—Couldn't you wash Junior's play suit instead of sending it to the cleaners? Couldn't you do your own nails and walk at least one way to town?

"Oh," says she, "I can't be bothered!" She simply won't realize that piling up pennies is worth while. She's a fairly good housekeeper; that is, she serves appetizing meals when she can order exactly what she wants. I don't know how she would manage when instead of buying a tin of prepared spaghetti, for example, she had to make her own. It never occurred to her that the money she had budgeted for raisins or mushrooms or fruit juice or something unavailable might be popped right into the Stamp box. I'm afraid that it didn't occur to her to buy one package of cigarettes less each week and go to a movie less often. She, like too many of us, wants to eat her cake and have it, too. Perhaps she, like many of us, can't imagine that twenty-five cents will have any appreciable effect upon the progress of the war.

"Twenty-five cents might buy just enough ammunition to save a soldier's life. Try to imagine a boy holding on to his machine gun while a crowd of Germans are attacking. He has courage to us, and he shoots well until—'I'm a goner', he mutters. "There's no more ammunition."

A War Savings Certificate might buy just the grenade that meant life instead of death to one of our boys. It's difficult to see your money in these terms. You know only that it passes over a counter and you get a piece of paper in return. But you're getting so much more than that!

On to the story of the Devil's Pail, those who feel that twenty-five cents is of little use; A certain girl is a compact with the Devil. He promised to free her lover if she could fill a pail with water carried a spoonful at a time from the distant river, in the space of one night. The girl despaired. The task was impossible. But the villagers offered to help, with the result that by dawn the pail was overflowing. One spoonful of water would not have been very useful, but one multiplied by hundreds See?

In wartime and all the time, it pays to advertise.

—Sentinel, Ads for Best Results



Give - HUMAN SUFFERING IS GREATER THAN EVER Now!

The need was great last year. It's infinitely greater today. YOUR Red Cross dollars must keep up the work. Give fully!

Canadian Red Cross \$10,000,000 needed March 1-20, 1943

Richardson's Drug Store

Argyle

Mrs. Victor Crabbe had a quilting on Wednesday last. Those present were: Mrs. L. Wilson, Mrs. C. Jordan, Mrs. A. Lunnie, Mrs. C. Anderson and Mrs. John F. Scott of Glassville. A delicious supper was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. A. L. Lunnie.

Mrs. Bruce Harvey is spending a few days in East Glassville visiting Mrs. W. Haynes.

Mrs. John Scott spent Thursday calling on friends in Argyle.

Jennie Condon and Margaret and Shirley Anderson and Shirley Lunnie called on Katharine and Jean Crabbe one day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Doherty of Juniper spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Condon.

Mrs. A. Lunnie and Mrs. C. Anderson spent Monday evening with Mrs. V. Crabbe.

Mrs. Herbert Stone of Glassville spent several days with Mrs. V. C. Crabbe.

Mrs. Charles Jordan, Mrs. V. Crabbe and Mrs. Stone called on Mrs. Arlie Lunnie.

Mrs. George Branscombe spent Thursday with Mrs. A. Lunnie.

Elsie and Stella Biggar of Foreston, called on Helen Condon on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wilson called on Mr. and Mrs. A. Jordan and Chas. Wilson on Sunday.

Bud Anderson is in Bath Hospital taking treatment for a crushed toe.

LADIES AID

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Charles Jordan on Wednesday. Those present were: Mrs. Olys Tushes, Mrs. Arlie Lunnie, Mrs. Arthur Jordan, Mrs. Jessie Harvey, and one visitor Mrs. Leslie Wilson of Divide. The afternoon was spent in quilting on a crazy patch work quilt for Overseas use. It was decided to meet every week from now on for a while in order to get more done. It was also decided to hold the meeting next week at Mrs. John Hovey's. A nice supper was served by the hostess and the usual collection taken which is used to carry on the work of the Ladies' Aid.

JUNIOR RED CROSS

On Feb. 12 the Junior Red Cross of Argyle with the help of their teacher, Mrs. Clarence Anderson had a social evening in the school house. It was just a small party but everyone enjoyed themselves very much with contests and games; the winners being given small prizes. At the close of the evening a lunch was served, each person, paying 5 cents. The sum of \$2.75 was realized for Red Cross. As this event was so successful, they are planning another for the month of March.

"Are you going to the dance?" "What dance?" "Haven't you heard? The butchers are throwing a meat ball."

Buy War Savings Certificates

Jacksonville

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Culberson were pleasantly surprised by their children and grandchildren on Monday evening February 22; it being their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary. Their children were all present and the grandchildren except one. They received several nice gifts and at the close of the evening dainty refreshments were served. Those assisting in serving were Miss Doreen Culberson and Miss Edith Everett.

Mr. Ralph Orser of Cloverdale was calling on Harvey London Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Eileen Treacartin of Avondale is assisting Mrs. Ronald Culberson with her house work.

Red Cross quiltings this week were held at the homes of Mrs. W. P. Stiles and Mrs. Elmer Burpee; both quiltings were well attended.

Alonzo Orser, Royal Oak Michigan was a dinner guest of his aunt on Tuesday.

Miss Isabel Wiley spent a day recently with Mrs. May Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vail spent Sunday evening in Woodstock, guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. William Kennedy and Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. Wallie Brocker and daughter Eleanor from Fort Fairfield was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Aubrey Albright and Mr. Albright.

Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Vail spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Palmer.

The Boy Scouts held their meeting Thursday evening at the home of Mr. John Martin with a good attendance.

The B. Y. P. U. met with Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Stiles on Wednesday evening.

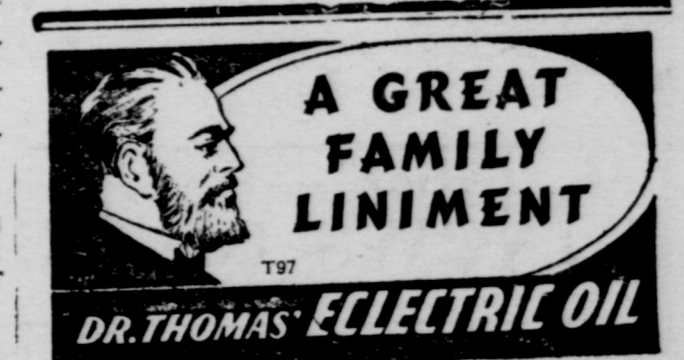
Friends will be glad to know that

Miss Alice Tilley who has been confined to her home with mumps is able to be out again.

Mrs. A. Coker is still on the sick list. All wish for her speedy recovery.

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Help Canada's War Effort—Buy War Savings Stamps.



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Walter Cluff

They need YOUR Help

more than ever NOW!



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As the war widens and intensifies, the need grows. There is infinitely more need for your Red Cross dollars this year than last. There must be more of them, if the need is to be met. Prisoners of war, bomb victims, refugees, the wounded, the dying; the destitute everywhere, count on YOUR Red Cross dollars for help. Dare you fail them?

\$10,000,000 needed March 1-20, 1943

CANADIAN + RED CROSS

This Space donated by: Woodstock United Farmers

The war spreads-the Need grows!



Give--as you never gave before

More money for the Red Cross? Yes! Suffering was bad enough last year. This year the war is on a wider and grimmer scale—and more is yet to come.

If there was ever a need for the utmost you can give in working dollars to relieve human suffering—it is NOW.

Your past support of the Canadian Red Cross has brought succour and solace to prisoners of war, bomb victims, refugees, men in training and in battle. Today—the need is spreading. Will it be met? It depends on YOU!

Give - HUMAN SUFFERING IS GREATER THAN EVER Now!

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NATIONAL SELECTIVE SERVICE

MOBILIZATION OF SINGLE MEN

A RECENT Proclamation, issued by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, provides that certain single men must register immediately for the Military Call-up under National Selective Service Mobilization Regulations.

Single Men who must now register are those who were born in any year from 1902 to

1923 inclusive, and who did not previously undergo medical examination under the Military Call-up.

Men actually in the Armed Services are exempt under this order, but men discharged from the Services, not previously medically examined under the Military Call-up, must now register.

"Single Men," referred to, now required to register include any man—

born in any one of the years mentioned, who has not previously been medically examined for the military call-up, and described as follows:—*"who was on the 15th day of July, 1940, unmarried or a widower without child or children or has since the said day been divorced or judicially separated or become a widower without child or children."*

It is pointed out that any man unmarried at July 15th, 1940, even if married since that date, is still classed as a "single man."

Registration is to be made on forms available with Postmasters, National Selective Service Offices, or Registrars of Mobilization Boards.

Penalties are provided for failure to register

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