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Taxation

A contributor writing about taxation sends the following:

"We are informed our taxes are small—at least that the rate of taxation is low. Duty we are told on certain articles is, say, 10 per cent., this varies. The case in question the rate was 10 per cent. duty, the invoice cost was about \$18.00. The per cent. on this called for \$1.80. The latter was added to the invoice cost and then tax of 8 per cent. (sales tax, it is assumed) was added to the invoice plus the duty, or the 8 per cent. tax was imposed on \$19.80. Then an additional 3 per cent. tax was added to the cost plus the 10 per cent. duty. The 8 per cent. tax added \$1.58, the 3 per cent. tax added 59 cents. Total taxes \$1.80 plus \$1.58 plus 59 cents, make a total of \$3.97 which brings the rate of taxation to a trifle over 22 per cent. Rather steep. Still it must be borne in mind that the government must have the money. Despite this urgent need, this truth cannot but bring certain feelings to the minds of many, namely that when the government needs something it is going to obtain it."

[All this is, unfortunately, true, but our contributor, in fixing blame, loses sight of one thing which is too often lost sight of in just such discussions. He speaks of the government as if it were a thing apart from the people who pay the taxes, instead of being the very essence, as it were, of the taxpayers.]

The people of our Dominion grumble because taxes are high, and because they are called upon to make substantial contributions to treasuries, civic, provincial and Dominion. In almost the same breath, however, they will advocate such projects as large paving schemes, huge public works plans, and other expensive projects.

In all discussions of matters such as taxation and public expenditure there are two or three things to be kept clearly in mind. First, the government of Canada has to pay huge sums, amounting to something like fifty per cent. of the total tax collections by federal authorities, toward paying for our bit in saving Europe during 1914-18. This must be paid, if Canada is not to be listed among those nations who have defaulted in their obligations rising from the war, and, clearly, it is no small item in the taxation which our people have to face.

Secondly, rightly or wrongly, the government of Canada agreed to take over the bonded indebtedness of certain railways which now form the Canadian National System. For years, the people of Canada have been paying deficits for a railway system which was built long before its time. Again, however, if this Dominion was not to default in its obligations, those deficits had to be paid.

Thirdly, in matters of public works and such things, governments will spend no more and no less than the people of this Dominion—who are, after all, the real government—wish them to spend. In other words, the available part of Canadian taxation—that over and above war debt settlements—is directly dependent upon the people of Canada themselves, and upon their will.

Taxation is indeed heavy—heavier than, probably, most of us realize. But taxation is the price we must pay for such diversions as participation in wars, for the programme of public works upon which we have insisted, for our insistent demands for government expenditures, the while we howl dimly for a balanced budget.

And those in authority despair of our ever learning.—Summerside Patriot.

The "Money Barons" Not Suffering

A job for an inquiring reporter would be to interview every millionaire in Canada and learn from him the amount of his investments in

- Alberta government bonds.
- Alberta municipal bonds.
- Alberta mortgages.
- Substantial investments in Alberta in any form.

Dollar to doughnuts that few, if any, of the alleged "Money Barons" of the East have a dollar in the first three in the list of four classes of investments and have other substantial investments only if they are interested in a business enterprise which is, or has been, active in that province.

The so-called "Money Barons of the East" are the dragons whom St. George Aberhart has been promising to slay. Or St. George at least has been promising to free borrowers in Alberta from the shackles of interest which bind them to the lenders of the East. Few have any sympathy for the "Money Barons" who thus are pictured as holding in a type of modern slavery the poor people of Alberta—people who borrowed blithely and are now happy that they need not, if Aberhart's laws stand, pay any interest and not much, if any, principal.

Nor is there anything to indicate that the "Money Barons" holdings of Alberta securities will make an appreciable difference to the provincial treasurers of Ontario or Quebec when succession duties come to be collected on their estates. That shrewdness of judgment which enabled them to acquire their wealth would insure that they would have eschewed Alberta investments for many months. Moreover, the successful man—the "Money Baron"—does not usually hold investments which cannot be easily sold. Thus, we think, he cleaned his strong box of Alberta stuff on or before August 22nd, 1935—if he ever had any.

No, the people "back East" who have a vital interest in the Alberta debt situation—the repudiation of provincial obligations and the compulsory scaling down of private debts—are mostly those whose income is small enough that a blow from Alberta is an attack on the dinner table. The people who are mainly affected by Aberhart's actions are people who know not Florida or the Riviera. They have no steam yachts or sumptuously panelled offices. It is doubtful if they travel nearly so much as the farmers of the Prairie Provinces and particularly those who, in the good years, were wont to peregrinate both Eastward and Westward during the winter season—whether the mortgage was paid off or not.—Financial Times.

SNAPSHOTS

It is funny how some people who are supposed to be patriotic are so prejudiced. They are stupidly so in many cases. Someone should give them a lesson in true patriotism. Many of them may be sorry some of these days.

The local milk dealers who wanted to boost the price per quart, got left this morning.

How pleasant it is to have nothing to worry about except Spain and Mrs. Simpson.

These are great days throughout the Empire for students of constitutional law.

After all it is a refreshing change to see looming a great crisis which does not involve the possibility of bloodshed.

The failure of Jim Mollison to beat his wife's flying time to South Africa is not likely to modify their domestic differences.

There's no harm in being headstrong provided you are not wrongheaded.

In the general excitement over possible marital developments in Britain even the war in Spain is backed into second place.

CANADIAN VETS NOW IN LONDON CHEER THE KING

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The National Anthem was loudly sung last night by 400 Canadian ex-servicemen at a reunion dinner of the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

Standing stiffly at attention as the chairman, Lieut.-General Sir Henry Burstall, general officer commanding the Second Canadian Division during the Great War, proposed the toast to The King, the men, accompanied by an orchestra, sang the first verse of the anthem.

Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, under-secretary of state for war, spoke of the difficulties of recruiting for the army.

"I am not pessimistic about the outlook," he said. "I am perfectly convinced that when the situation is put clearly before the people of this country, men will be forthcoming, not only when, but before an emergency arises."

Tory Toronto

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in-arm with Lord Rothermere, serves to illumine and focus them. The disturbing thing is that the colors that show up behind the two new figures on the stage are not sentimental pinks nor even passionate purples, but the blacks and browns of thunder-clouds and European shirts.

As disinterested champions of the cause of true love against Mr. Baldwin, the Right Hon. Member for Epping and the current Harmsworth newspaper are not entirely convincing. But they are none the less ominous for that. If, as the news forebodes, King Edward is going to make the question of his right to marry Mrs. Simpson the occasion of a trial of strength with his Ministers, Mr. Churchill and Lord Rothermere are clearly the allies for the adventure. It is less clear where an adventure undertaken in such company may lead.

Mr. Churchill as a power on the King's side is more difficult to estimate. He is, bar none, the most brilliant Parliamentarian in British public life. He comes close to being as well, the most universally distrusted of politicians. But universal distrust was no bar to the career of that gifted opportunist John Churchill, Duke of Marlborough, and Winston Churchill is his descendant and devout admirer. In thirty-five years of public life, from private member to Chancellor of the Exchequer to private member again, Mr. Churchill has practiced opportunism as consistently though not quite as successfully as his great ancestor did. If at 62 he sees the present as his last and greatest opportunity he will not hesitate to grasp it.

But the same touch of Fascist coloring would explain the indecision of the Parliamentary Labor Party in the present crisis. When James Maxton, a Glasgow Laborite, and not a changeable man, turns overnight from an upholder of King Edward's matrimonial freedom to a partisan of Conservative Government and constitutional checks there is something behind the change. The something, might well be the Fascist tendencies ascribed to Mrs. Wallis Simpson.

SIR ANTHONY EDEN WILL NOT ATTEND MEETING

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The six members of Parliament who were appointed an investigating committee into Spanish affairs held a meeting this morning with Sir Anthony Eden. It was given out that Sir Anthony Eden will not attend the next meeting at Geneva.

OUR MAIL BAG

AN OLD TIME TEACHER

To the Editor of The Daily Mail, City.

Dear Sir:

In the course of an interesting article on the old time teachers of Fredericton, read by Mrs. Susan Squires before the Historical Society and reproduced in your paper, I notice that a tribute is paid to the late Solomon Denton. Mention is made of the late Dr. A. B. Atherton, a noted physician and surgeon of this city, as one of his pupils. Allow me to point out that another was the late Hon. A. G. Blair, who afterwards became Premier of New Brunswick and subsequently Minister of Railways and Canals in the Dominion cabinet. I am told that still another was the late Hon. James Mitchell, who succeeded Mr. Blair as Premier. Mr. Denton's wife was a Miss Mitchell, an aunt of the latter, and she was also a sister-in-law of the late James Campbell Sr., of Kingsclear and of the late John Anderson, ex-M.P.P. of The Barony. Upon retiring from the teaching profession Mr. Denton took up his abode on a farm near the shore of Macquapit Lake, in Queens county. This farm is now the property of Duncan Estabrooks, High Sheriff of Queens, and is noted for its early fruit and vegetables, including water melons.

Yours sincerely,
ONE INTERESTED

Maritime

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Island, told of the improvement in business conditions in Canada's far east and also of the bright hopes the Maritimers hold for the future.

The addresses, for the most part were in humorous vein. Each premier, in jocular manner, praised the scenic beauties, history and tourist attractions of his own province and deprecated these points in the sister Maritime Provinces.

Premier Dymally said he believed Maritime Provinces Clubs throughout the country are a "real influence" toward a more united Canada and he believed Dominion citizens owed gratitude of these clubs a debt of gratitude.

The speaker said he agreed with the pronouncement of Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, former Dominion premier, made in the east a year or so ago, that the people of the Maritimes are the provinces' greatest contribution to Canada.

New Brunswick, and the Maritimes in particular, have "no chip on our shoulder," said Premier Dymally. He felt there were some conditions in the Maritimes that needed "ironing out" but believed this could well be done at a conference such as the one starting at Ottawa tomorrow.

Maritimers, he said, through their clubs, could be "ambassadors" in presenting the side of their provinces.

Lord Beaverbrook

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"I am going away. I am going for a long time. So I take this method of saying good-bye to the friends I have made through the Daily Express—friends I have never seen. I am going to an airport in America where I take delivery of a fast American sea-plane seating six, with a bed to sleep in and an office table to work at. First I shall go to my own home, where the sun shines all winter long. Then I am flying to high and dry lands. Journeying with me is my boyhood companion and lifelong friend, Sir James Dunn. We have been together in sunshine and shadow from youth to old age. Now we journey back again to see once more the forests and rivers of that province of New Brunswick colonized by our Scottish ancestors. I am not going away altogether happily, because I am seeking relief from the disease of asthma. And here let me say that by the time this article is in print I shall have gone, and it will be no use any one sending me any asthma cures. I have had hundreds of them already. And asthma is an ailment for which each victim must find his own relief or remedy."

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Conditions Better

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has been assistant general manager since 1928.

Sir Charles Gordon was elected president with H. R. Drummond, Hon. S. C. Mewburn and Mr. Bog vice-presidents. The executive committee now consists of Sir Charles Gordon, Major Mewburn, Sir Edward Beatty, Mr. Drummond and Mr. Bog. Louis L. Lang of Galt, Ont., was appointed to the board of directors.

Mr. Bog, a native of Picton, Ont., entered the service of the Bank of Montreal 55 years ago. He has served in Ottawa, Toronto, Moncton, N. B., and Montreal. Mr. Spinney, a native of Yarmouth, N. S., began his banking career in that community and subsequently served in Edmundston, N. B., Quebec, Hamilton, Ont., and Montreal. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George M. Spinney of Yarmouth.

The year 1936 in Canada was pictured as one of five-point recovery by Sir Charles Gordon, president, today. Addressing the annual meeting of bank shareholders, Sir Charles detailed these "five fundamental features," as: "Recovery in agriculture; extraordinary activity in mining; the all-time record in newspaper production; the gratifying increase in the tourist trade; striking expansion in our export trade."

The president announced the appointment of W. G. Murrin of Vancouver to the bank's board of directors, replacing W. A. Black, who has taken up residence abroad.

"I feel that circumstances warrant my speaking with more confidence than for several years past regarding conditions in this country," Sir Charles said.

"The year under review can truly be said to be a year of recovery in which, under certain reservations, it can be claimed every province of the Dominion has participated," he added.

Referring to agriculture, Sir Charles said crop reports, taken as a whole, were encouraging, although excellent prospects in the Prairie Provinces and parts of Ontario were dimmed by drought.

Other industries also have shown improvement, he added. "In the Maritime Provinces the long dormant lumber industry has revived, and coal mining and steel manufacture evince activity. Generally conditions are better than they have been for years," he said.

Mining and newsprint industries moved ahead actively in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia, while a

Canada's Defence

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Prime Minister probably will take advantage of the opportunity to amplify this portion of his speech to the League of Nations. It is conceivable that Canadians generally do not desire to become involved in all the entanglements of Europe or participate in every foreign conflict. But if an unprovoked attack were made upon the United Kingdom by another world power or group of world powers Canadians undoubtedly would rally to the defense of the Motherland as they did in 1914.

As a matter of fact the Canadian Parliament has always had the right to declare to what extent Canada would participate in conflicts in which the Motherland was engaged. But Parliament has always made the right decision, and probably will do so again if the need arises, because Parliament will respond to public opinion, which would be overwhelmingly in favor of Canada standing shoulder to shoulder with the United Kingdom.

In the event of a war crisis Parliament would have to be summoned to vote the money to send a Canadian Expeditionary Force abroad, and to pass other necessary measures. That would not take long. In 1914, Parliament was assembled in a few days, and the decision of the Government to place the entire resources of the Dominion in the struggle was endorsed by a united assembly. Canadians everywhere will pray that Parliament may never again be summoned for a similar purpose. In the meantime, there will be millions who will put their trust in a united British Empire as the surest safeguard against war.

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sounder position has been noted in lumbering, Sir Charles said.

Housing Plan

Referring to the Dominion government housing plan, the president said: "Adoption by the Dominion government of a broad housing policy should, without question, have a considerable effect in putting to work men whom the depression has hit more severely than almost any other type of Canadian citizen."

External trade continued to expand, Sir Charles noted, with wheat, newsprint, mineral products and tourist traffic "the most important items entering our international trade."

Notice of Sale

To Fred J. Tims, of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York and Province of New Brunswick, Contractor, and Alice M. Tims, his wife, and to all others whom it may in any wise concern:

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that under and by virtue of the provisions of The Property Act, and of the power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the first day of March, A.D. 1931, made between Fred J. Tims, of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York and Province of New Brunswick, Contractor, and Alice M. Tims, his wife, of the first part, and the undersigned, Harvey Welton, of the Parish of Canning, in the County of Queens and Province of New Brunswick, Coal Operator, of the second part, and duly recorded in York County Records in Book 214, pages 125-128, under official number 83412, the 14th day of March, A.D. 1931, there will, for the purpose of securing payment of the moneys secured by the said Indenture, default having been made in the payment thereof, be sold at public auction in front of the Post Office in the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, on Saturday, the Twelfth day of December next, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, the lands and premises mentioned and described in the said Indenture of Mortgage as follows:

"All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the westerly side of King Street, in the City of Fredericton aforesaid, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southwest side of King Street distant southwest 148 feet 2 inches from the northerly corner of the building now occupied by William Grieves, standing on the southwest corner of King and Regent Street, thence southwesterly at right angles to King Street a distance of 136 feet 7 inches, thence southeasterly at right angles 50 feet one inch, thence northeasterly at right angles 136 feet 7 inches to King Street aforesaid, thence northwesterly 50 feet 1 inch to the place of beginning. Being the same lot of land conveyed or intended to be conveyed by the Executors of the late Colin Allen to the late Arthur Limerick by deed bearing date the twenty-seventh day of October, A.D. 1937, recorded in York County Records in Book H-2, at page 581, and also the right of way appurtenant to the said property over and upon the lot adjoining the same on the northwest side thereof, reserved by the said Walter Limerick in and by a conveyance to the City of Fredericton of said adjoining premises.

Being the same lot of land conveyed to the said James McKilligan by Annie McKinnamin, by Deed bearing date the fourteenth day of October, A.D. 1924.

"Being the same lands and premises mentioned and described in the Deed thereof from James McKilligan and wife to the said Richard B. Hanson, bearing date the first day of August, A.D. 1928, and duly recorded in York County Records in Book 206, pages 192-194, under official number 81096, the 20th day of October, A.D. 1928.

"Being the same lands mentioned and described in the Deed thereof from Richard B. Hanson and wife to the said Fred J. Tims, bearing even date herewith."

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Tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned until MONDAY, DECEMBER 21st, for the supplying of 3,500 cu. yds. of clean, sharp gravel to be delivered on the wharf at the rear of the City Hall, Fredericton, N.B., on or before February 1st, 1937.

All gravel delivered must be satisfactory to the City Engineer or some other authorized representative of the City.
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FRED I. HAVILAND,
City Hall, City Clerk,
December 7, 1936.

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