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Advance in External Trade

The external trade showed a buoyant tendency during the first four months of the present year. Advances were general in each of the groups of the component material classification indicating the widespread nature of the acceleration in the flow of goods across the boundaries of the Dominion. The exports of Canadian produce increased more than 21 p.c. in the first four months over the same period of 1936. Crop products owing to diminishing supplies showed only a slight gain but the outward shipment of animal products was 28 p.c. greater. Large percentage increases were disclosed in most of the component material main groups. The value of wood and paper exported was nearly \$73 million against \$55 million, representing a gain of 31 per cent. The iron group recorded an increase of 17 p.c., while the outward shipment of non-ferrous metals including copper, nickel, lead and zinc was nearly 25 p.c. in excess of the relatively high point of the early months of 1936. Gains of 44 p.c. and 34 p.c. were shown in non-metallics and chemicals, respectively.

The percentage gain in imports was even greater than the exports, although a large active balance of trade was shown during the elapsed portion of the present year. The increase in imports from \$117 million to \$228 million, amounting to 29 per cent. The iron and animal product groups scored with increases of 48 p.c. and 32 p.c., respectively.

It has long been realized that external trade is particularly vital to the economy of Canada. Abundant natural resources encourage the production of a considerable number of commodities far in excess of normal requirements of the domestic market. There are, inversely, many products, especially industrial raw materials, which may only be produced here at a considerable disadvantage, while the production of others is practically impossible. Indicative of the dependence upon the exchange of goods in international markets, Canada recently reached the fifth place among the trading nations surpassed only by Great Britain, the United States, Germany and France.

The New European Calm

The provisional calm Foreign Secretary Anthony has scraped from the Deutschland-Almeria crisis can be accepted as further justification of the Non-Intervention Committee. That much-assaulted committee has not by any stretch of imagination fulfilled its intended function in the Spanish war. But the work it has done in smothering national explosions and keeping outraged tempers confined to oratorical combat in London may yet prove as useful to Europe as neutrality itself.

It is, of course, easy for the habitual critics to look at this latest settlement and call it peace at the aggressor's terms. They can create quite a little attention with ridicule of a settlement which "means going blind to an act of aggression." But all of that takes nothing away from the job that has been done. The same critics go blind in their turn when the punishment they would demand is seen as the provocation of the war compromise has managed to avoid.

The only weakness in the agreement is that it guarantees nothing beyond today. Even on the day German and Italian ships resume the patrol, no one can suppose either crisis has evaporated. Crises arising out of the conflict of hates and ambitions that is going on in Spain doesn't just disappear into an agreement. They may be smoothed over and their immediate threats averted, but they leave injuries and have repercussions which, if hidden, are carried along and eventually unveil themselves at some other point in some rash act that, merely for the sake of identification, becomes another crisis.

America's Side of the Bargain

While official statements yet to come may clarify the Empire attitude, collectively and separately, on the proposed Anglo-American trade agreement, the problem itself will wait for solution. The Dominions, particularly Australia and South Africa, will wrestle with the concessions at home and make no effort to hide the fact that compensations occupy a large part of their deliberations. Encouraging them against haste is the stand-fast position of the 160-odd, high-tariff Conservatives in the British Government who are opposed to any concessions that might impair, "now or in the future," the Imperial preference structure.

The Cabinet itself has shown no indication of hurrying its steps beyond "informal exploratory discussions" now going on. But if these conditions are not promising for any great achievement, caution should not be misjudged as a British unwillingness to bend. It so happens that the most light has been on the London end of the bargain. All the difficulties do not lie there. Arthur Krock, in the New York Times, states that "the domestic obstructions to such a compact are not less in the United States."

Rising costs, to which wage increases have made heavy contributions, have raised a "call for higher tariffs on competitive articles coming here . . . in the Senate." The wages and hours bill, marked for passage by Congress, is responsible for the opinion now being pressed on the State Department by business economists, that American trade will "suffer deeply" if its added imposts are not counterbalanced by the terms of reciprocal agreements. The Guffey Coal Act, which will raise costs considerably, has both operators and labor in search of tariff adjustments that will protect them against import competition.

Mr. Krock summarizes the situation briefly: "Every day Mr. Sayre (Assistant Secretary of State), who is in charge of our negotiations with the British, is besought by some anxious Senator who wants to make certain that no concession in a possible treaty will injure his home industries. It cannot be said that this Senatorial anxiety is all corporate, since industrial labor shares any damage of this sort which may come to its employers . . . From many parts of the Union protests in anticipation of action . . . have been submitted to the State Department."

In short, the United States is no more ready to concede or sacrifice in behalf of those closer relations, which both Washington and London feel must strengthen world peace, than the Empire can afford to be. Indeed, it is possible that the concessions the Dominions have to wrestle with would be much more easily obtained, had Secretary Hull been freer of home ties, than the evidence suggests. And, as in most cases, the solution is not "up to the Dominions" or any one of them, but in the willingness of both sides to give as well as take.

SNAPSHOTS

Laconia, N.H., has provided a peculiar question: What should be the reward of an undertaker who saves a boy from drowning?

French editor says the sit-down originated not in France but with the Gaudhi movement. Maybe Lewis should take off his disguise and don Oriental shorts.

China appears to be making progress along some Occidental lines. "A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight" is losing its popularity as funeral music.

Radio chat between Russians at the Pole and wives in Moscow was at 11.35 p.m., about the time Fredericton husbands call the little woman to ask for more latitude.

The krubi, the world's largest flower, grows inches overnight, and there ought to be one in every garden if only to overcome the gardener's inferiority complex.

"Husbands, it seems," ain't got no glamour. Great lovers are always in the limelight—but great husbands dwell somewhere in the dim twilight of obscurity.

A California minister preached steadily for 21 hours, thus setting another "world record." Did he retain any of his charter members at the finish?

A woman's independence and a man's personal freedom are wonderful things—but, somehow, nobody has ever been able to run them through a wedding ring.

Propaganda Minister Goebbels of Germany either is a courageous or a foolish man. According to a Paris cable despatch, he has denounced Hitler's particular lady friend as a Jewess. And surely that will start something.

Salary Probes

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abroad" for clergymen rather than at home, he said. When a charge paying \$4,000 to \$6,000 was vacant the congregation looked for a clergyman already receiving that salary. Similarly vacancies paying \$2,000 to \$4,000, were filled by clergymen from parishes paying \$2,000 and \$4,000. And so on, down the line, he said.

"We've already been told that in this Conference alone we have ministers receiving less than \$1,100. Can any one here say that those in that class have a glimmer of a chance of being placed in a rich charge? The men in the same stratum exchange pulpits, and the men at the lower stratum never get a chance at the rich congregations at all," he said.

He said it was not the fault of either ministers or congregations, but a circumstance to which many factors contributed.

"There is no more desperate and humiliating problem in our Church," said Rev. C. A. Williams, recommending that laymen as well as ministers be included on the committee.

Nazis and Italy

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with the working of the non-intervention scheme, but nevertheless it was evolved by agreement of all the European powers in the interests of European peace and I think the House should prefer to consider very carefully before taking any action which might imperil the situation."

"Is it true, as reported daily in the press, that Bilbao is being wiped out by relays of German airplanes?" asked Wedgwood-Benn.

"I think it is perfectly true that there are foreign airplanes on both sides," Eden replied.

Ellen Wilkinson interposed: "Considering that the Basque Government has no airplanes, is it fair for the Foreign Secretary to claim that there are foreign airplanes on both sides?"

"I have not said that the Basque Government has airplanes at Bilbao," Eden retorted, "but I said that the Spanish Government has foreign airplanes."

Former Fredericton

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years been connected with a party of which is strongly opposed to the DeValera Free State Government. Dr. Stockley visited here three years after an absence of nearly forty years and was heartily welcomed by all classes of the community with whom he was very popular during his residence here. Dr. Stockley together with his daughter Miss Violet Stockley who was born in the Arts Building of the University here, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Neville, Lansdowne street. At that time Dr. Stockley delivered a series of lectures at the U.N.B. Summer School here.

SPORTSMEN TO HONOR MAJOR MACDOUGALL

No. 1 Guest at Association Golf Event June 24

MONTREAL, June 16—Directors of the Sportsmen's Association of Montreal have completed arrangements for their annual golf tournament to be held on Thursday, June 24, over the course of the Country Club of Montreal, St. Lambert. Major Hartland B. MacDougall, who was in his day one of the stalwarts of the old Victoria Hockey Club and one of the greatest polo players in the history of the game in Canada, will be honored by the Association. This great athlete of yesteryear still maintains his keen interest in all sporting endeavors with the cheerful disposition which has characterized him all his life.

Hartland MacDougall was born in Montreal on March 10, 1876, son of the late G. Campbell MacDougall, who was a great lacrosse player in his day. He received his education at Bishop's College School, Lennoxville, and joined the staff of the Bank of Montreal in 1894. Associating himself in 1899 with the firm of Charles Meredith and Company, he later became a partner and in 1900 was elected a member of the Montreal Stock Exchange. In 1920, a partnership was formed with Robert Ernest MacDougall.

Noted Hockeyist

He played football for the Montreal Football Club in 1894 to 1898, was Captain in 1896 and was a 60-minute man with the Victoria Hockey Club from 1894-98. As a polo player he excelled and was in a class by himself and could ride a horse just as easily as the average golfer slices. As captain of the Montreal polo team for over 20 years, he was known as a four handicap man. Hockey during the past few years has been one of his special interests as a director of the Forum.

The Directors of the Sportsmen's Association are certainly to be congratulated on their choice this year in affording the younger generation of this time an opportunity to mix with and become better acquainted with one of the finest athletes of bygone days and a gentleman at all times.

There is no doubt that many of his friends will turn out on the 24th of June to do him honor.

Carleton County

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Carleton County council here this afternoon.

Discussing a motion to appoint a committee to co-operate in obtaining service for the rural districts, Councillor Sharpe urged that every councillor constitute himself a committee-man. The councillor suggested that each member make it a point to attend the school meetings in this district and lay the matter before the ratepayers there.

The subject was introduced by Councillor Dibblee, who moved that the council go on record as approving the steps being taken by the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission to obtain an improved service, and that a committee be appointed to co-operate with other interested bodies. Councillors Dibblee, Hatfield, Williams, Bassett and Mead were appointed.

Hitler's Actress

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The newspaper said that Berlin political circles were not convinced of Goebbels' charges and many suspected that Gustave Gruendgens, Inspector of German State theatres, had encouraged Goebbels to denounce the vivacious girl.

Gruendgens was said to have resented Miss Rieffenstahl's swift ascendancy in the field of German motion pictures which made her a virtual dictator of the Nazi films.

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Aberhart

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the party led by Mr. Aberhart himself."

Mr. McTavish declared Premier Aberhart's charge that advertisers supply the money with which newspapers are financed and thus gained power to suppress news and to direct policies of the paper was "wholly or almost wholly unfounded." A newspaper operated in that way would soon become of no value to its owners, advertisers or anyone else, he said.

"The public is amazingly quick to sense honesty or dishonesty of purpose in its newspapers," said Mr. McTavish. "Public men, politicians may fool the public for a time, but not newspapers. The demagogue public affairs would be eliminated speedily if his only means of appealing to the public were through the printed word, read in the quiet and privacy of the home."

Brazil Granted

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of a country enjoying the British preferential or intermediate tariff direct to a sea, lake or river port of Canada.

Unhappy Russia

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sars, 10 former commissars of the state and numerous members of the state central executive committee were arrested.

They were charged with participating in a huge conspiracy Cherviakoff was blamed for such a plot at a recent meeting of the Communist party.

General I. P. Uborevitch, former commander of the Red Army garrison in White Russia, was one of eight army officers executed June 12 for a plot to "dismember" the Soviet Union. It was understood the eight were charged with plotting to sever White Russia and the Ukraine from the union and give them to Germany.

White Russia is one of 11 republics making up the Soviet Union. It has an area of about 50,000 square miles and a population of 5,500,000.

Follows Execution

The government's announcement Cherviakoff's suicide said it followed closely the removal and execution of General Uborevitch and the arrests of N. M. Goloded, premier of the White Russian Council of Commissars, 10 former commissars of the state and numerous members of the state central executive committee.

At the meeting of the state Communist party at Minsk last week it was charged the collective farms in White Russia were hotbeds of Polish espionage.

Cherviakoff's was the second suicide of a high Russian official this month. General Jan Gamarnik, former vice-commissar of defence, killed himself June 1. The government said he acted after exposure as a traitor to the nation.

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