

SS IN TRANSITION

tries Get In Step la's Wartime Stride

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Less startling changes in British industrial scene, and spread of hostilizing government controls and re-intensified war program promise of far-reaching significance during

many of the province's primary and all as mercantile and financial interests on what they were twelve months ago; few weeks has establishment of drastic re-complete conversion of Canada's ar-program in which the needs of the essential business must be sacrificed fighting forces and the vast framework created to maintain the supply lines to

all evidence of British-Columbia's war-torn field—typified by a rise in Vancouvering to more than \$100,000,000 for \$50,000,000 in value of B.C.'s primary a new all-time record, but the most has been in the field of regulation.

LS THE CHANGE

an being told how much he can spend ; he is being told that many articles o purchasing freely; are not obtainable ; must conform with the new national which is the inevitable sequel to a ven in the most democratic of countries. he lessons of inflation taught by the the habit of thrift not for the sake d comfortable living so much as for es and buying war bonds and savings

cheme British Columbians have found at the west coast, is now on the front sands 'o miles from the actual scene air awareness of the need for sacrifice

in store for British Columbia in the the west coast province can look back expansion. Twelve months ago, for cargo ships had been placed here, but quipped yards are building 10,000 ton ada's wartime fleet, and more than gaged in an industry which had only 'ders for corvettes and minesweepers, ality contracts and distribution of aux-engineering plants and machine shops n reducing unemployment, but recent 4000 employable men are still available ustrial expansion here.

PROBLEMS

industry was still concentrating on ere worrying about recurrence of ad threatened shutdown of the saw-

ceased worrying about ships be e is available for the long haul via ted Kingdom. They are depending l haul to the Atlantic seaboard, but ns in the continuing activity of the emendous expansion of sales in the o the quickening pace of construc- of direct American participation in

is faced by the lumberman and the ; the supply of equipment—a detail st of industrial anxieties not so long anch office of the priorities division relieve the situation to some extent, t itself indicates the sweeping change brought.

BOTTLENECKS

rialists have become familiar with a year ago, they were learning by the plications of "bottleneck." Priorities :C: production that a year ago had n—the pulp and paper mills, for in- ts in British Columbia's industrial production year behind them, are xpansion program representing the e \$40,000,000; but company executives ompletion will be determined solely priorities.

ixed blessings for the mining indus- rated second only to the forest in- Apart from the Yakalom River area, although possessing much promise, old discoveries; nothing to suggest a few years ago proved again the old u find it.

ent experts, geologists and pros- ect that most of British Columbia's mines located more than a quarter as not been without important min-

VEN BIG PLAY

plen a subordinate place to base r—and the growing list of so-called r for the war plants making explo- and ships. In mining are likely to continue o nerous and tungsten, magnesium significance this year were the in- ty at Plinchi Lake, recovery of tin

ALL BUSINESS MUST REGISTER

OTTAWA, Jan. 2.—(CP)—An order to complete registration of all Canadian business affected by the government price ceiling regulations was announced today by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Under a simplified form of specific licensing, firms which have not already applied for or obtained a Wartime Prices and Trade Board license are to register with the board by obtaining a license before March 31.

"The circumstances under which the original licensing order was drawn were materially altered by adoption of the price ceiling policy," said Donald Gordon, chairman of the board.

**MINIMUM REPORTS.**  
"On December 11 the board undertook a study to see if the licensing procedure could be simplified so as to confine reports from business to an absolute minimum. After careful consideration it now is decided that for practical purposes the licensing can be confined to a registration of all business or persons engaged in regular trade.

"Licensees will no longer be required to record their license numbers on sales slips, but must be able to produce their license identification card if asked to do so by an official of the board."  
Mr. Gordon said the board realized that "to co-operate fully, business must be fully informed."

**MAILING LIST.**  
"Among other things," he said, "the general registration of business provided for in this revised order will give us an accurate and complete mailing list through which we can send information to businesses affected by particular regulations."

The 200,000 persons or firms who have already received or applied for a license under the previous licensing orders should not apply for these specific licenses. Employees of licensees are not required to be licensed individually. Operators of private boarding-houses are also exempt.  
Farmers, gardeners, livestock or poultry producers and fishermen are not required to obtain a license unless they buy goods for resale. All other businessmen who sell goods or supply any of the "ceiling" services must, however, obtain a specific license by March 31.

The announcing said that under the new licensing plan there would be no license fee. A license identification card would be mailed to each applicant.  
Persons already licensed will be mailed a renewal of their license identification cards and these renewed cards along with cards issued under the new order will be valid for the duration of the maximum prices regulations unless cancelled or suspended for infractions.  
Renewed license numbers will retain present license numbers, any change in name, address.  
All licensees are required to notify the board in writing of any change of name, address, ownership, or character of business within 10 days of the change. Methods by which license application forms will be available will be announced shortly.

OTTAWA CONTINGENT RETURNS EAST SOON

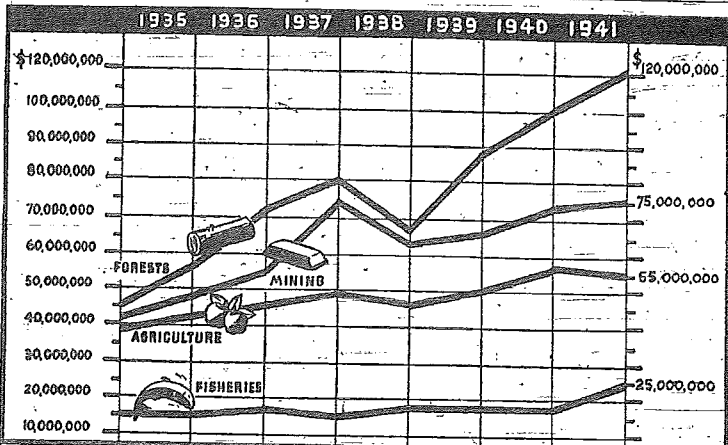
Several Vancouver business men holding important wartime posts at Ottawa will be returning east during the next few days, after spending brief Christmas holidays at the coast.

H. R. MacMillan, president of Wartime Merchant Shipping Ltd., in charge of the nation's cargo shipbuilding program, plans to leave for the east Saturday night.  
A. H. Williamson, controller of supplies for the department of munitions and supply, administrator of supplies for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, will leave Vancouver early next week, as will Howard T. Mitchell, who has been with the Wartime Merchant Shipping industrial and public relations department.

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Montreal Dairy Prices  
MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—(CP)—Spot Butter, Que. (62 score) 33½ to 34. 1-1/2¢. Extra large 34A, A-medium 30A, A-pullula 27A.  
Future—Butter, Jan. 33½ to 34. Feb. 34½ to 34½. March 34½ to 34½. Eggs, Jan. 26½.

Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company, 6 per cent. a share plus 1¢ bonus, 10¢ share payable January 15 to shareholders of record December 15.



B. C. PRIMARY PRODUCTION—How war has boosted production and increased the value of British Columbia's industrial output is illustrated in the above chart indicating trend of revenue in the province's four basic industries. Gain over 1940's output was about \$49,000,000.

AIRLINE BUSINESS CLIMBS 155 P.C.

Vancouver had large increases on United Air Lines' coast-to-coast and border-to-border system in air passenger traffic during 1941, with a 155 per cent. gain over the preceding year, District Traffic Manager H. B. Renwick announced.

During the year just ended an estimated total of 5334 passengers boarded United's planes at Vancouver compared with 2095 passengers for 1940. Increases in air mail and air express volume were substantially above those for the country at large, Renwick said.

President W. A. Patterson of United announced the company flew approximately 871,000,000 revenue passenger miles for a gain of 22 per cent. over 1940 on its entire system. Mail ton miles totalled 3,605,000 and express ton miles 1,500,000, for increases of 24 and 37 per cent. respectively. Approximately 9,143,000 pounds of air mail and 4,086,000 pounds of air express were carried.

Defense traffic proved an important factor in the company's mounting business, Patterson said. To accommodate the growing traffic, United flew as many as 85,000 scheduled miles daily at the peak of the summer season and continued the bulk of its schedules to the end of the year.

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ENVOY TO PERU—M. J. Vechsler, Canadian trade commissioner to Lima, Peru, will be in Vancouver January 9 to 17 to confer with importers and exporters. He will make his headquarters at the B. C. division of Canadian Manufacturers Association.

T.C.A.'s Activities At New High Level

The activities of the Trans-Canada Air Lines reached new high levels during 1941, as the need for fast movement of men, mails and materials between war production centres became more pronounced, states H. J. Symington, K.C., president.

Against 15,000 miles daily at the opening of the year, T.C.A. today operates more than 19,000 miles a day.

Over the whole system the increase in the volume of traffic was marked. In January, 1941, the company carried 4190 passengers. Six months later the number had doubled and continues at a high level. Seventy-five per cent. of Trans-Canada's passengers are travelling on business directly connected with the war effort.

THE WEATHER

JANUARY 2, 1942.  
Vancouver and vicinity—A little warmer.  
Victoria and vicinity—A little warmer.  
Okanagan and Kootenay—Little change in temperature.  
Temperatures:  
B. C. — High — Low

NAVY MAY TAKE OVER SOME JAP FISHBOATS

Prime Minister Mackenzie King has acknowledged receipt of a resolution by the British Imperial Comrades Association (Vancouver branch) recommending the removal of Japanese from the west coast to a central Canadian province, and their employment in useful ways.

The problem of the seized Japanese fishing boats is at present a major question with the newly-appointed custodian of alien-Japanese property.

More than 60 per cent. of the seized boats are not entirely Japanese property. It is a practice of fishing companies to finance the purchasing of fishing boats for good fishermen. In the Japanese fleet are hundreds of boats, some owned outright by the canning companies, operated under agreement of sale from Japanese; others in which the companies sold equities, by mortgages.

It has been agreed by the federal authorities that where any company can establish ownership, the boats will be turned over to them, and white or Indian crews will man them.

The matter of the boats in which the companies hold equities may also be settled in this way. The navy, it is understood, will make use of practically all of the boats which are owned 100 per cent. by Japanese. Wm. T. Burgess, secretary of United Fishermen's Association, suggests that the first move of the government should be to announce the refusal to issue licenses to any Japanese, then set up a special committee that would charter or sell the fishing boats to whites or Indians.

Exhibition's Board Of Control Elected

The annual election of directors to the board of control of the Vancouver Exhibition Association resulted in the following being elected:—John Dunsmuir, F. D. Gross, E. S. Knutson, F. C. Bowell, A. D. Paterson, F. C. Tingley, C. N. Oldfield, John L. Noble and W. R. Downey. They will serve for a two-year term.

The board is composed of 18 elected members, nine of which are elected each year, as well as representatives of numerous civic organization and public bodies.

CITY CAN USE HARBOR PUMPS

The city of Vancouver is quite welcome to use the fire-fighting equipment, free of charge, for the "period of emergency," according to word received this morning from Ottawa by the port manager, K. J. Burns, of the National Harbors Board, in reply to the city's request.

The vessel or vessels on which the fire-fighting equipment will be endeavor to secure a suitable safe craft, in the opinion of Mr. Burns. And the equipment must be returned to the National Harbors Board in good order, less wear and tear.

The special committee, under Carl Halterman of Union Steamships Ltd., which was appointed to endeavor to secure a suitable vessel, is now active in canvassing the smallboat fleet, in order to locate vessels suitable to carry the pumps.

The committee would like to get a steel vessel.

One suggestion is to take two or three of the big 60 to 70ft. Japanese sealers, now interned until naval orders.

These big sealers have good economical power, and are large enough to provide room for the eight or ten tons of equipment that the fire-fighting units each weigh.

RESTRICTED EXPORT TO ORIENT RESUMED

OTTAWA, Jan. 2. — (CP)—Shipment of goods under export permit to Allied territories in the Far East now may be resumed, the national revenue department has advised its custom collectors.

Trade department officials said that when Japan entered the war collectors were advised to hold shipments for Portuguese Timor, the Netherlands East Indies, Singapore and Free China ports receiving supplies from the Burma road until the Pacific situation had time to crystallize.

Today's action will have the effect of releasing any supplies which may have been temporarily held up.

Occupation by Netherlands and Australian troops or Portuguese Timor, a mountainous island off the northern tip of Borneo, was announced Dec. 18.

CUSTOMS REVENUE MAY TOP \$25,000,000

Customs and excise, at the end of November, had passed the \$20,000,000 mark, and Collector of Customs Andrew Carmichael has set a rather hopeful eye on a fiscal year total exceeding \$25,000,000.

All records for this port, to date, have been shattered each month for the past six months.

December adds \$2,676,516.18 to the eight-month total of \$20,070,609.39, the customs and excise for the nine months of the fiscal year being now \$22,747,125.57.

The collections for December, 1940; were \$685,143.05 less than those for December, 1941.

Turner Valley Quotas Retained for 1942

CALGARY, Jan. 2.—(CP)—Turner Valley will start the

DUCE WILL SPEAK  
ROME, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Mussolini will address party leaders tomorrow, and the newspaper Il Piccolo said he would give orders "clear and precise" on