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**Danger of Inflation . . .**

Holding the price ceiling imposed in Canada has been a hard struggle, for there has been steady pressure brought to bear tending to force up the cost of living, threatening the soundness of Canada's wartime economy.

This problem has provided worry for government authorities, and it should worry the ordinary individual, for the alternative to a fixed ceiling on prices is inflation with all its attendant dangers.

Canadians have recognized the need for keeping the economy on an even keel in order to maintain our war effort and to prepare for the postwar period. However, in this, the fifth year of war, it may be not unnatural that a sense of the individual responsibility for maintaining a stable economy should need restressing.

In the past, wars have brought with them a high cost of living, ending in inflation, which sapped the strength of nations and added poverty and injustice to the other tragedies of war. It is within the memory of many that inflation which followed the cessation of hostilities in the First Great War brought in its wake terrible suffering and hardship to some countries in Europe, and that many who, prior to the inflation period, were reasonably prosperous citizens and businessmen, went down to ruin under the situation that existed.

In Canada, during the First World War, prices rose 60 per cent between 1914 and 1919, while under the present ceiling price the rise in this Dominion, from 1939 to 1944, has only been 18 per cent. This successful effort on the part of Canada has been noted in other countries which have not waged such a successful fight against a higher cost of living.

Many changes connected with this battle to maintain the price ceiling and to ward off the threat to our cost of living, have been brought about since the start of the war, but all have had a related interdependence with regard to the stabilizing measures. These include price and wage control, profit limitations, taxation, rationing and saving.

In this war Canadians must head off the danger of inflation. Much has been done to avoid a repetition of the disastrous price rises of former wars. But we must continue to hold the line and not let history repeat itself.

Our young men are fighting for a Canada and a world in which all men can have faith, hope and security. Each of them wants to come back to a job—or a farm—with a future. We at home must keep secure for them a strong and stable foundation on which alone a postwar period of promise and achievement can be built.

**Ford Troubles . . .**

Few were surprised when the Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, shut down after the men walked off the job says the Windsor Star. Anyone who has been in touch with events has realized that trouble was brewing. It was only a matter of time until the differences would boil over.

The dismissal of a steward was not the real cause, it being merely the match which touched off the dynamite.

For a long time there has been a chip-on-the-shoulder spirit in the Ford plant. There has been a constant friction, an ever-present idea that someone was trying to gyp someone else. That has been an unhappy feeling and it has not made for good relations between management and employees. It has been common knowledge that trouble was not far beneath the surface.

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**On Parade...**

1st (Reserve) Bn. Prince Rupert Regt. (M.G.)

Parades for the week ending May 13, will be as follows:

Battalion parade 1930 hours, May 9.

Officers and N.C.O.'s parade 1930 hours, May 12.

In conjunction with the Sixth Victory Loan, a Battalion parade will be held on Tuesday, May 9, at 1930 hours.

This is a strong as possible parade and first class turn-out is required.

Colonel S. D. Johnston, M.C., V.D., the Area Commander, has consented to take the salute at the Federal Building.

Citizens of Prince Rupert should turn out and give the local boys a hand for the work that they are putting in during the year.

War is an expensive game and armies, as an integral part of that game, inevitably become expensive necessities. However, the Reserve Army is, and always has been, the cheapest possible form of National Home Defence. Certainly, a well-trained and well-organized Reserve Army on the Home Front does allow Active Force personnel to proceed overseas to decisive theatres of war.

Every Unit in the Canadian Army has a box placed in a prominent position, known as a Suggestion Box.

The Reserve Army contains a large proportion of mature and educated men, and the Prince Rupert Regiment especially, a

large number of skilled workmen.

The idea of the Suggestion Box is that no opportunity may be missed for useful suggestions as to all aspects of Army Life; e.g., armament, equipment, transport, training, etc.

Any soldier who has suggestions that he considers might further the war effort can place it in a sealed envelope addressed: "The Suggestion Box, N.D. H.Q., Ottawa" or the Orderly Room will forward it for him.

Additional recruits are required for the First Aid Class. This class will qualify you to write for the Industrial First Aid Certificate.

Captain J. R. Hall, the Training Officer, left on Monday to attend a refresher course on Platoon Weapons.

The football team, as a pipe opener, took the Signals team for a win on Tuesday night.

Difficulty is being experienced in obtaining the necessary uniforms; any suggestions?

Promotions for the week are: Sgt. R. E. Montador to P/2Lt.; Pte. Porayko, W. to A/Cpl.; and Pte. Lippert to A/Cpl.

**NEEDED AT EASTERTIME**

The date palm supplies leaves for the observance of both Palm Sunday and the Feast of the Tabernacle.

**ACTIVITIES OF Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A.**  
(By DOROTHY GARBUTT)

Come on everybody, let's have a "Full House" for Bingo tonight at the Empress. Bring the ten and twelve year olds in the family, they can soon learn, and make it what it has always been, family night at the 'Y'.

Well what did you think of the way our CWACs and WDCs marched in the big Victory Loan parade the other night? Weren't they the prettiest, the snappiest, the smartest, the loveliest lot of gals you've seen in a long time? Being a sentimental Celt, I had a little weep as they went by, just out of pure pride you understand.

And talking about CWACs, there's a new one up at the military hospital, and for once it's a case of perfect casting, the right girl in the right place. I should think one of her infectious grins would put a man on his feet in no time. I shan't embarrass her except to say that of course you know I mean "Rusty", she's Irish, she's red-headed and a grand kid.

I'm quite worried about a mysterious disease that seems to be afflicting a great many of our young men. It has to do with the right elbow. Now it doesn't affect the left elbow, nor does it make the right elbow stiff except beyond a certain point. What I mean is, the elbow functions perfectly when carrying, well, say a cup to the

lips, but somehow it won't carry the hand any higher, for instance, to tip one's hat to or salute a lady. Manners, boys, manners!

When going over the hostess list the other day in order to make a list for Carl Clay for their big dance last night I was surprised to see how many of our girls have married since the first junior hostess list came into being. Must be all of eighteen or twenty. So as well as having a Rooms Registry it seems the YWCA has been running a Marriage Bureau on the side. Good hunting girls.

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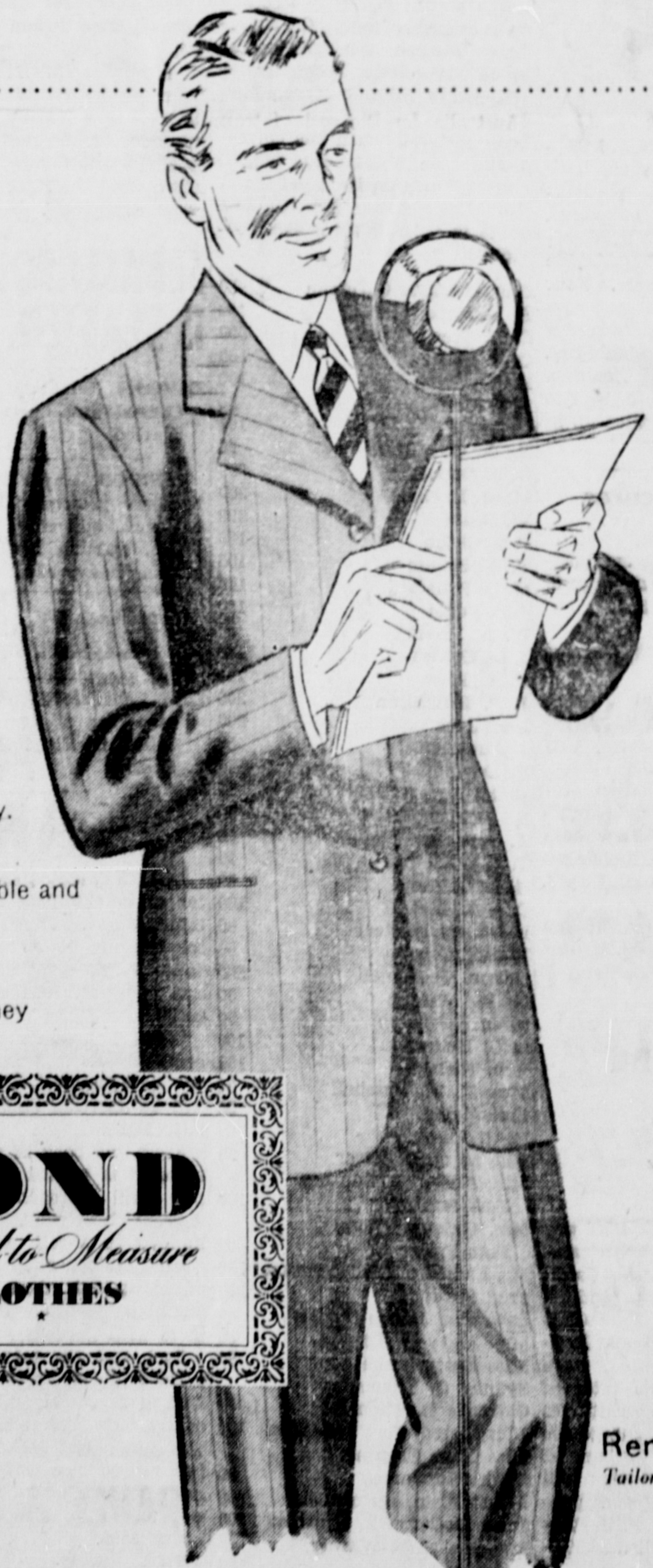
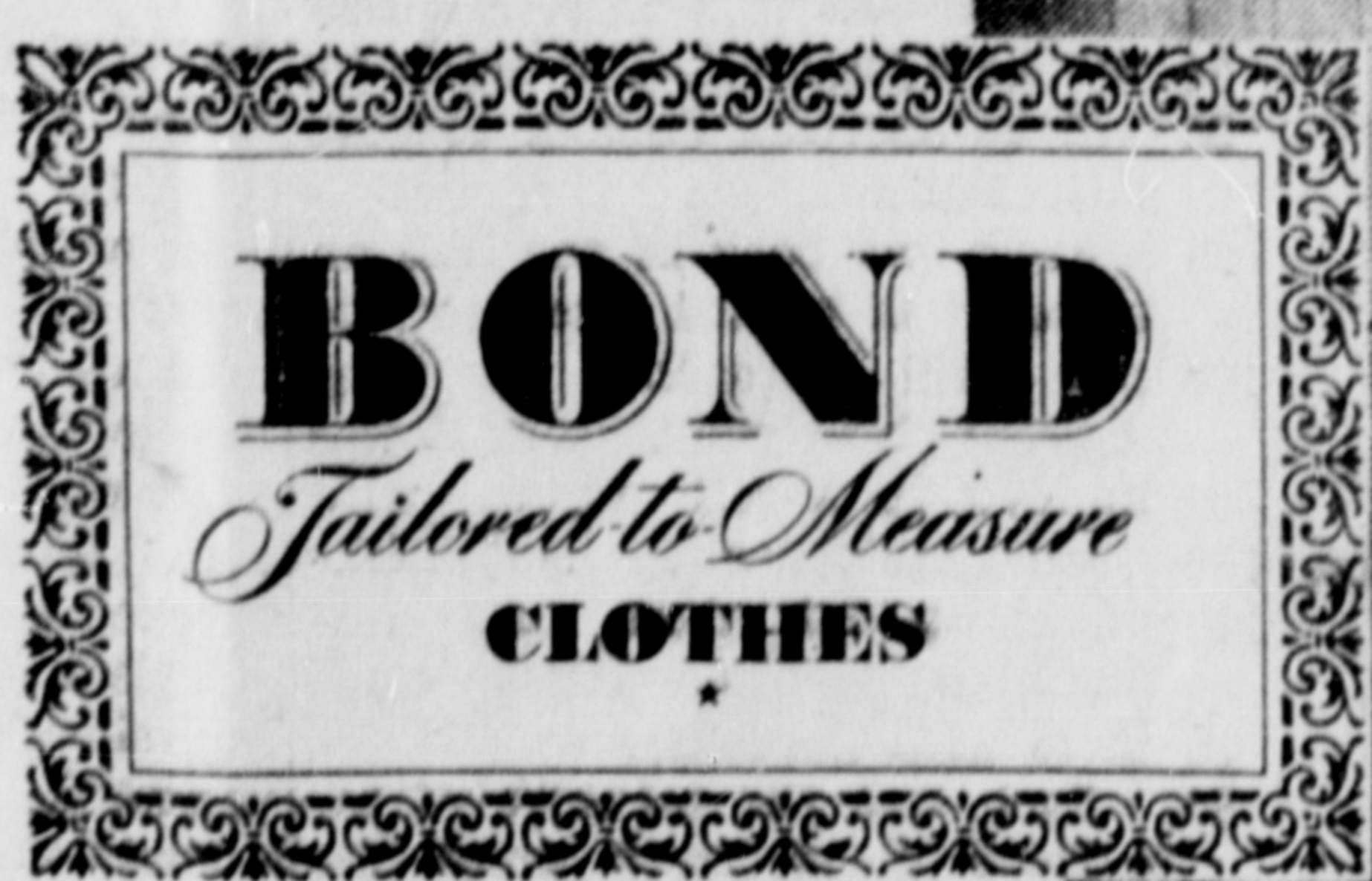
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