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THE DAILY MEWS

Taxes, Prices and Trade Controls

Huntly R. Drummond Says, However, It Is To Private Enterprise Country Must Look For Great Work Of Converting War Factories To Peace-Time Production

Bank Executives Support Wartime

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## G. W. Spinney Explains Significant Changes In Balance Sheet At Bank Of Montreal Annual Meeting

The Government's effort to prevent the effects of inflation 28 effort, the Chartered Banks, are experienced in the aftermath of the last war merited the support of taking steps to reduce all unneevery thinking Canadian, declared Huntly R. Drummond, president of cessary banking services, the genthe Bank of Montreal, in addressing the 125th annual meeting of eral manager said. This entails the shareholders yesterday. At the same time he reiterated his plea made a year ago that government controls and regulations be removed with all possible speed after the war, for it was to private enterprise, he aid, that the country must look to convert war factories to the produc- that no area is left without adetion of peace-time goods. "We have gone a long way towards sacrificing quate facilities as it is recognized everything except liberty itself," said Mr. Drummond, "and we have witnessed a truly astonishing manifestation of national willingness to for the orderly conduct of general do so and national understanding of the necessity therefor," but it should business. not be forgotten "that on the shoulders of free enterprise stand those other freedoms that make up democracy-freedom of conscience, freedom of speech, freedom of labour and equality before the law."

was relatively well maintained, but I should point out that the effect of the increased Dominion Government taxation imposed under the last Federal Budget was felt during only part of the year under review."

In accordance with Federal Government policy, as announced through the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, of curtailing all non essential activities with a view to conserving man-power for the war closing of branches in areas where overlapping exists.

Care is being exercised to see that banking service is essential MONDAY, DECEMBER



## The Municipal Election . . .

The municipal electors of Prince Rupert have now had two concrete programs laid before them by two groups which have at least taken enough trouble to line up definite manifestos. It is fitting that these platforms the production of weapons of war record levels. The average assets should be considered well. In so doing, the electors may to an extent never dreamt of three think not only of the things they would like to see done but also the possibility of things being done that company today could retain large are promised them either directly or by implication. profits. Industry was working not Sometimes the most reckless promisers are not always for profit but for furtherance of ings showed a small increase, but the greatest doers. A reasonable undertaking, it might the war effort. "Nevertheless," he be just as well to realize, has more chance of accomplish- added, "it is vital to the future ably higher. welfare of the country that indusment than a fancy promise which commonsense would try should be allowed to attain suggest has no chance of being fulfilled. sufficient reserves to enable it to

There are many things that all of us individually meet the strain of reconverting might wish for. However, the more sensible of us do not plants to the production of peacewaste too much time or effort working for things that time goods at the end of the war. we know we cannot get no matter how desirable they may be. that this wide expansion in indus-

The platforms which have been placed before the trial production had been financed municipal electors we would commend to their very earn- by taxation and government borest attention as they consider who they shall choose to rowings under government direction and control, and he urged that put into public office by their votes at the polls this week. such control and regulation be The nominations today present o good choice of material. removed with all speed after the

We join in congratulating the young mayor-elect by war is over. In this connection he acclamation, Wm. Watts, who will be conscientious and said: "The Government has prohard-working and capable, we are sure, of facing the tasks he has ahead. We commend his public spirit and courage in undertaking a job which s going to be no easy one to be sure.

# How Long Will War Last? ...

Canada's war-time industry, said -Mr. Drummond, had expanded in assets and deposits reached new were \$1,091 million, compared with \$1,632 million in the preceding years ago, but with the present year. Deposits - the safety which is "our first consideration" and enthusiasm. -amounted to \$1,064,645,000. Earntaxes at \$2.540,000 were consider-

> This higher taxation came from the Government's policy of restricting net earnings in 70% of prewar-standard profits. The incldence of this increase in the rate " of taxes announced by the Minister of Finance in his budget speech was felt only in the last four months of the year; the taxes for the coming twelve months would be sharply higher. Dealing further with the bank's position. he continued

"This year an even larger proportion of our assets is represented by investments; these, almost exclusively short term and immevided the money, guaranteed the diately realizable, place the Bank in a stronger position than ever overhead and provided the market for the output. These conditions before.

will not, and cannot, obtain after "Under war conditions, with the war. Then we must look to the business now being financed in ininitiative and trained experience creasingly large measure by Govof private enterprise to reverse the ernment funds, our commercial process, in which it has been so loans have been reduced though successful, and to convert our war they are still higher than at the factories to the production of beginning of the war. "These facts - higher taxes, a from First Presbyterian Church peace-time goods. greater total of investments, fewer with Rev. A. F. MacSween officiat-"When I last appeared before loans, combined with the Govern- ing. The organist was John E you, I used these words; 'Demo-Events of world-shaking significance follow a logic cracy gives us great privileges, ment policy of keeping interest Davey, Masters Robert Brook and rates low, which we commend - George Good were the pallbearers. but every privilege has its corresponding duty; to keep the privi- have the effect of reducing the leges we must be prepared to earning power of all banks and are DATATATATATATATATATATATATATATATATA sacrifice everything except ulti- reflected in reduction of our

In a special word of commendation on the work of the staff, he said that long hours have been the rule rather than the exception and extra duties have been loyally undertaken. In spite of the heavier demands, they have gone about their daily work with cheerfulness

He also expressed the thanks of the Bank to its customers, the general public. "Under conditions as they are today," he said, "with a greatly augmented inexperienced staff, and with the increased tempo of business, it has not always been possible to extend a service of prewar standard. But our customers and friends have shown every consideration, in many cases by doing their banking earlier in the day when the rush is not so great, and generally by exercising patience and understanding, and we are grateful for their co-operation."

Infant's Funeral

Rites for Small Son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Daly From First Presbyterian Church

The funeral of William, infant

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Of course no one can pick the day or month when the war will end and victory will be attained. But there are reliable facts which might permit an informed guess.

that is predictable. There is no need to be uninformed or misinformed about the world developments-economic, political, military or social-that are so powerful that, overnight, they can upset all careful personal planning.

Accurate knowledge of foreign affairs is a first con- is over, it is essential that Governsideration in any successful business. You have experi- ment controls and regulation be G. W. Spinney, general manager enced the way they affect you through the distortions of a war-time economy, raw material shortages, the need for war contracts, the drastic nature of government controls over business and requisitions, priorities, price control, re-negotiation of contracts, etc. All these are children of the war, the natural aftermath for business of a murder in the Balkans, a defeat here or a victory there.

The question can be answered best by phrasing it in terms of whether the war will be over within a given period in the future, say six months.

The chance that the war will be over within six months is so exceedingly small as to justify no consideration, whatsoever, but the chance that the European large body of office holders also Bills and Deposit Certificates) was phase of the war will be over by the end of 1943 is prob- were adversely affected and those approximately two and a half ably about fifty-fifty.

It is not impossible that the German phase of the increase in earnings to enable them During the year ended October war might end late next year. However, because of the superior Nazi organization for overcoming internal hardship by all Canadians had Dominion Government, exclusive weaknesses, because a new food crop will have been har- been notable and was an encour- of Treasury Bill financing but advested by that time, and because Germany still has a aging sign for the future. number of alternatives that she can still follow with force and initiative, the first six months of 1944 still seem many will be defeated. Once that is finished, however, against inflation-which, he re- mately \$3,150,000,000. This figure and forces can be concentrated on attacking Japan from marked, merited the support of includes \$645,000,000 of the new terminated much more quickly than many observers now believe.

mate freedom itself. When the war dividend."

Controls "For The Duration"

Mr. Drummond also pointed out

Wide Balance Sheet Changes

removed with all possible speed, of the bank, reviewed in his adfor if we are to continue in a dress significant changes in the system of free enterprise for which balance sheet arising from war we are fighting, it is to private conditions. He referred to the inenterprise that we must look for crease in total assets to \$1.175,resumption of normal activities'." 319,000 from \$1.046,551,000 at the Income Tax At High Level | end of the previous year and to the The income tax, company and fact that quick assets, totalling individual combined, was described \$896,935,000, were equal to 81.65 by Mr. Drummond as "probably the per cent of all liabilities to the highest in the Allied Nations and public.

covers practically every individ- Investments were higher by ual." This had brought hardship \$185,223,000 at \$684,147,000, he to older and dependent persons said, and pointed to the fact that who had lived on savings of bread- the average maturity of the bond winners who had passed on. Every portfolio (exclusive of Treasury of the professional class had no years.

to meet the higher levies. Never- 31st, the general manager said. theless the cheerful acceptance of new and refunding issues of the

justed to include the approximate total of the Third Victory Loan, Banks Play Their Part While giving credit to the Gov- which was issued in the latter part the best conservative guess as to the time when Ger- finances in this war and its fight November, aggregated approxiernment for the conduct of its of October and the early part of the rear, probably the Japanese phase of the war will be every thinking Canadian - the Dominion of Canada 34% Deposit president said that "we must, in Certificates, sold to the Chartered justice to the banks of the Domin- Banks from July to October, some ion, tell of the work they had of which have since been retired. done before and during this time "In the light of the Dominion " of war to lay broad and firm the Government's heavy borrowing foundation on which the govern- requirements," he stated in this ment's efforts are founded and connection, "I feel that the amount ! which, in fact, made them pos- of war financing through the Chartered Banks has so far been "If the health of the country is kept within reasonable and mansound, in a monetary sense," he ageable proportions. The extent to continued, "it is largely due to the which this type of borrowing can wise conduct by the banks, over be kept in check will depend largemany years, of their own affairs, ly upon the success of the public and their help and guidance on the distribution from time to time of business affairs of all Canadians. Government loan flotations."' "Thus, today they are able to Earnings and Taxes support to the full the Government Pointing to a contraction in net in its stupendous task of financing profits for the fiscal year under the war. review to \$3,283,000, after deduc-"We can fairly claim that in tion of \$2,540,000 for Dominion Canada our banking system has Government taxes, from \$3,437,000 more than justified its existence after \$2,243,000 for Dominion taxes and, with irrefutable facts, answer in the previous year, Mr. Spinney those who talk of the State taking said: "In spite of higher operating over the Banks." costs and lower yield on invest-During the year the Bank's ments, the net earnings position 

of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Dalytook place yesterday afternoon





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# ESHOW FOR BOYS

b Follies Delight Big Audience of Service Men

DOROTHY GARBUTT) show put on last night in Baby." tol Incatre by the Sea whiles troupe from Vancoulocal service men was a and colorful event. The jotten in a hurry. He played a mix- culous gesture. thusiastic appreciation was reward for the performer: and handsome, too.

rous with his encores.

wore when she and Sergeant Scar- now and still have a few years to vie sang the "Tea for Two" duet go before they reach their twenties in the grand finale. By the way simply had the audience in spasms t was very pleasing the way Glen of helpless mirth with their comwalked in there and said his piece. edy singing. In their "Kiss Me He has a Nelson Eddy voice and Good-night Sergeant Major" they personality. looked like actual stars from an

Getting back to Miss Cooper, her English music hall, their actions White Christmas" song was beau- and voices were so cleve: ly imperafully done. The big audience join- sonated. But they reached the d enthusiastically in "Melancholy heights of rich American humor in heir hill billy songs. They have the White suit, banjo and Ab Hine art of opening a whole vista of de-

hade a performance not to be for- ightful insanity with a single ridi-

in which the boys shower ure of popular, jive and classical Donn Flynn, the very accom- wanga village hall organization has numbers and was more than gen- plished planist, doesn't do any- elected officers for the year as folthing spectacular on his own but lows: g seven girls, all bright and Once again dainty Lola Strand he holds the show together which and two men, likewise and her dancing lovelies gave num- is everything. He was the perfect per after number of first class accompanist and genial withal. Gladys Cooper was back lance routines to round after Sergeant Steve Miller of the Onsinging her sweetest group ound of applause. Lola herself tario regiment was a great help on and looking like a dream gave a bewitching Irish Washer- the drums. Boy Sampson of the

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**BOWLS OF** 

Wireless Team Leading With Armament Second and Maintenance Third

ule of twelve now completed, the Wireless team is leading in the Royal Canadian Air Force Bowling League with Armaments bringing up a close second and Maintenance "A" right on their heels in third place. During this, the closing week, it is planned to have some special Christmas prizes. To date 188 men have bowled, thirty-one having been posted away from Prince Rupert in recent weeks.

# AIR FORCE To The Electors of PRINCE RUPERT

Organization with eleven weeks of the sched- Mayoralty and Council, it is desirable that we make clear to you In accepting the Ratepayers' Association nominations for the what policy will be followed by the nominees on the Ratepayers' slate if elected. In a particular way, we pledge ourselves to:

- 1. Have a thorough survey made of school facilities, to the end that extension and improvement be made as soon as practically possible.
- 2. Make every effort toward having improvement made in condition of city streets and bring into effect immediately the amended Traffic Bylaw as recommended by the police officials.
- 3. Survey the sufficiency and condition of fire-fighting equipment.

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- Examine conditions and contracts existing between the city and government authorities, with particular reference to existing sanitary arrangements, housing, school and street conditions. To take any action necessary.
- Arrange for a thorough check-up, by competent authority, of the capacity and condition of the city's water system, particularly as regards the Woodworth Dam and the main supply line. To take any action such examination might prove necessary.
- Review the policing program with a view of having improvement made in local conditions. Endeavor to have liquor profits bear larger portion of police costs.
- 7. Consider present-day needs of transportation and power supply in the Municipality and to take such action as may be deemed necessary to protect the best interests
- 8. Co-operate fully with the Defence Services, keeping in mind civilian needs and interests.

The greatly increased population has thrown heavy pressure on all city services, many of which have had no adequate maintenance for several years. The bringing of these services to sufficiency is a first need, to which we pledge ourselves as and when labor, material and money are available.

Permanent industry is one of the great needs of the community. Every effort will be made to foster the growth of existing industries, to encourage the establishment of new ones ond to improve conditions under which those established are operating, particularly in regard to the fisheries and port facilities. The city MUST take the initiative in such matters.

## Re. THE CITY MANAGER APPOINTMENT

In the interests of efficiency and harmony in staff, and to relieve the Mayor, Council and School Board of much of their routine and detail work, a city manager or superintendent will be appointed. Briefly, such an official's duties will be to supervise schools, clerical staff and the service departments. He will be responsible for the orderly operation of the city's business and would make all appointments to or dismissals from the staff, after consultation with the department heads concerned. He will at all times

The Mayor and Council will determine all matters relating

to policy, finance, contracts and bylaws.

The Mayor and Council will serve with remuneration until the appointment of a City Manager is made, after which honorariums will be greatly reduced or eliminated entirely.

Ratepayers' Association candidates are definitely not affiliated with any other organized group nor with any particular political party. They are taxpayers who have the best interests of the

We submit that such a plan as briefly outlined above is efficient and is in accord with the principles of Democracy. If it appeals to you, your support is solicited at the polls next Thursday.

> W. M. WATTS, Ratepayers' Association Candidate for the Mayoralty.

(Mrs.) N. E. ARNOLD R. E. MORTIMER A. DON RITCHIE BOB MCKAY ROD A. MCLEOD J. E. JACK Ratepayers' Association Candidates for the Council.





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