

Arguments re:

But Canadians do not want to see again the flood of titles of a couple of decades ago, which tended to set up social class distinction in this democratic country.

It was absurd that a Canadian could accept a decoration from a foreign power, and yet none from his own King.

Appreciation of worthy service.

Loyal subjects of the Empire will not find it so very anomalous that a Dominion should be willing to accept the favours which the sovereign is graciously pleased to bestow.

If we are to have titles, it is most desirable that they should be awarded on the basis of national or community service rather than on political patronage and campaign fund assistance.

If knighthoods are to be conferred in Canada, it is fitting that distinguished members of the judiciary should be chosen for the distinction.

Why should Canadians be shy of honors and mystic honorific letters than their brethren in the British West Indies?

It is not to be overlooked, also, that many Canadians are definitely opposed to the setting up of class distinctions that seem to accompany titles.

There is no guarantee that the next honors list (on the King's Birthday June 3) will not contain Canadian names that carry much more of a political flavor.

There are no titular rewards for political or financial service rendered.

This is a list which offers little basis for controversy.

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