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**COMMEMORATIVE STAMP ISSUE:** Postmaster General Bertrand announces that a special 4-cent postage stamp will be issued today, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Achievement of Responsible Government in Canada.

The over-all dimensions of the stamp will be approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1", or the same size and arrangement as the pictorial issue of 1946. The stamp will bear the picture of the Canadian Parliament Building with the portrait of the late Queen Victoria, during whose reign responsible government in Canada was achieved, in the upper left hand corner, and that of His Majesty King George VI in the upper right hand corner. The colour will be blue gray. The stamps will be issued in sheets of 50.

The stamp will be placed on sale at all the principal Canadian Post Offices and by mail order, through the Philatelic Section, Postage Stamp Division, Post Office Department, in Ottawa, on and after October 1.

**PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION:** The National Convention of the Progressive Conservative Party is now (Friday) under way in Ottawa. Mr. John Bracken, retiring Leader, received earnest ovations as he addressed the assemblage. Tomorrow (Saturday) the convention is to select a successor to Mr. Bracken.

**DISPLACED PERSONS' CERTIFICATES:** Almost 100 per cent of the initial group of immigrants brought to Canada about a year ago under the Displaced Persons movement, have faithfully fulfilled their agreement with the Canadian Government to remain in the field of employment for which they were selected, for periods of 10 months to a year, Arthur MacNamara, Deputy Minister of Labour, stated October 1.

Mr. MacNamara made this fact known in announcing that, in recognition of fulfilment of their obligations, certificates are being issued to all Displaced Persons upon completion of their periods of agreed employment.

Possession of this certificate will leave the owner free to engage in any occupation he may wish. However, a large percentage of these workers have found conditions so much to their liking in the industries in which they have been employed that they have signified their intentions of continuing in the same lines of endeavour.

**WORLD WHEAT CROP:** Prospects for the world wheat crop in 1948 indicate that the production may be around 6,250 million bushels, some four per cent above the 1935-39 average and seven per cent above the 1947 level, states the Bureau of Statistics in its monthly review of the wheat situation. World rye production in 1948, estimated at 1,605 million bushels, is seven per cent below the pre-war average, but is eight per cent greater than the outturn in 1947.