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## WEEK'S EVENTS IN REVIEW

**CANADA ON SECURITY COUNCIL:** A special plenary session of the United Nations General Assembly elected Canada a non-permanent member of the Security Council. (P. 8-9) There were three vacancies to fill: Australia, Brazil, and Poland whose two year terms expire at the end of the year. To fill two of the vacancies, Canada and the Argentine were elected on the first ballot. Each received 41 votes, or three more than the necessary two-thirds majority. Voting for the third vacancy resulted in a deadlock which nine ballots failed to break. Two candidates are in the running: the Ukraine and India. On the ninth ballot -- which varied little from previous ballots -- the Ukraine had 32 votes, India, 24. The Ukraine led but lacked the necessary two-thirds.

Further balloting for the Security Council was postponed till next week.

**GOVERNOR GENERAL'S AUTHORITY:** New letters patent have been published under which the Governor General is authorized "to exercise, on the advice of Canadian Ministers, all of His Majesty's powers and authorities in respect of Canada." (P. 4-6) The new powers include, among others; Royal Full powers for the signing of treaties; ratification of treaties; issuance of letter of credence for ambassadors.

**U.K. WHEAT PRICE INCREASED:** By agreement between the two governments, the United King-

dom Government will pay \$2 a bushel for 140 million bushels of next years wheat crop to be sold by Canada to the U.K. The price represents an increase of .45 cents over the present price. (P. 11)

**INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION:** The Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, announced today, that George Spence, of Regina, at present Director of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration, had been appointed a Canadian Member of the International Joint Commission. At the same time Mr. King announced that J.E. Perrault, K.C., who is already a Member of the Commission, had been designated Acting Chairman of the Canadian Section.

**EXPORTS LOWER:** Merchandise export trade of Canada in August was valued at \$221,300,000 a decline of 6.5 per cent from the July total and a decrease of 8.9 per cent from the August 1946 figure when exports reached the high point for the year. Aggregate value for the first eight months of 1947 showed an increase of 16.4 per cent over last year's corresponding total. (P. 10-11)

**PREMIER HART RESIGNS:** Premier Hart of British Columbia yesterday announced his resignation from the premiership and as Liberal leader.