

Q- How large are the rations?

A- One and one-third ounces tea, five and one-third ounces coffee, one-half pound sugar, and one-half pound of butter each week; one choice twice a month from a wide variety of jams, jellies, honey, marmalade and other spreads for which the rations vary from six to twelve fluid ounces; one to two and one-half pounds meat each week. Automobile owners are entitled to 40 units of gasoline yearly, each unit having a present value of three gallons, for non-essential passenger cars. Owners of essential and commercial vehicles obtain gasoline on the basis of proven individual requirements.

Q- How do the new taxes hit the taxpayer's pocketbook?

A- A single Canadian, earning \$25. a week, receives less than \$20. in his pay envelope after tax and minimum savings have been deducted. If he is married with two children, and has an income of \$2,500. a year, for example, his net income is \$2,065.

Q- What other taxes do Canadians pay?

A- Taxes have increased to such a degree since the outbreak of war that a package of 20 cigarettes now costs 33 cents. There is a 30% tax on candy and chewing gum; a tax of 25% on furs, photographic supplies and insurance premiums, and a 25% tax on night club, dance hall and similar entertainments, for example. The excise duty on spirits has been increased to \$11. a proof gallon, and taxes on cigarette papers, tubes, and cigars have been increased. Postage rates have been increased by one cent per cover.

Q- How much salvage has been collected in Canada?

A- The national salvage division of the Department of National War Services recorded that 385,712,020 pounds of salvage material were collected and marketed during the 27 months from May 1, 1941, to July 31, 1943.

Q- How much food is Canada exporting?

A- Canada is one of the great food-producing countries of the world. The gross value of her agricultural production has increased from approximately \$1,205,000,000. in 1939 to more than \$2,000,000,000. in 1942. Exports of food products, tobacco and its products, and animal and fish products from Canada to the United Kingdom alone exceeded \$263,000,000. in 1942. Canadian farmers are supplying Britain with 85% of her bacon requirements in comparison with from 1% to 22% before the war. Canada's current contract with Britain calls for 675,000,000 pounds of bacon during the current year.

Valued at \$400,000,000., Canada's wartime exports to date of some two billion pounds of bacon and additional pork products are greater than the total bacon and pork exports of the two decades from 1919 to 1939.

Canada is also meeting contracts in 1943 to send 100,000,000 pounds of cheese and 9,000 long tons of dried egg powder, as well as large quantities of wheat and flour, fish, dried fruits and vegetables. Canada sends 15,000 tons of wheat to Greece every month, and in addition has extended a \$10,000,000. credit to Russia covering purchases of Canadian wheat and flour.