

The fight against inflation has been waged by Canadians with signal success so far, but it is not by any means over. Perhaps the severest test of the price structure will come in the years immediately ahead with the adjustment of the economy to peacetime conditions. Chapters XXIII and XXIV of the Year Book dealing with Prices and Finance, respectively, describe the machinery and technique by which the results have been achieved.

Appendices I and II give the latest figures on external trade and production available at the time of going to press. Appendix III presents the first tabulations of Family Allowances that have been compiled. Appendix IV gives an analysis of occupations by industrial groups of the Census of 1941, additional to those given at pp. 1062-1073 of the 1943-44 Canada Year Book. Statistics of citizenship and nativity that were available at the time of going to press are also included, and Appendix V gives detailed results of the voting at the Dominion Election of June 11, 1945.

It has been found possible to include more than the usual number of maps and charts in this volume, due to the fact that many of the maps, designed for other reports of the Bureau, were economically printed from existing plates. Almost all the inserts, however, are in black and white in line with the continuing need for wartime economy.

The inclusion of all the special features outlined above is considered necessary to the fulfilment of the Year Book's function, viz., to keep the Canadian public abreast of the rapid developments that are taking place in the national economy, but they have made it necessary to extend the edition to approximately 1,250 pages, including Preliminary Matter and Introduction.

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With a view to the improvement of future editions, the Bureau will be glad to hear of any errors that may have escaped notice, and to receive suggestions with regard to omissions or to methods of treatment.

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