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collection of the freely offered
and automatically adequate
ground-dues.

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The Canadian government is claiming sovereignty over the Arctic. Oil companies are prospecting and transporting oil in this area. Off Alaska there is an oil-slick of one thousand square miles. Here is an insane scramble for dominion over land areas which we could stop, using nature's plan.

Good management, sane use of the earth, can never be promoted by a system which treats Nature's free bounty as though it were a product of human labour to be scrambled for, or to be defended against encroachment of others. The population of Canada is around twenty millions for a land area of over three and a half million square miles much of which is uninhabitable. Elsewhere there are great concentrations of population, as in Japan. Other people need access to the earth.

However, good management must prevail even when all nations have access to any part of the globe. Fishing grounds must not be polluted or unwisely exploited. They should be worked under international agreements which permit of equal opportunity for all fishermen provided they practice good management. In the past, uncontrolled exploitation has ruined resources for generations to come. The North Sea has been depleted as a source of food particularly by the use of inshore trawls which destroy the immature fish. The Pacific and the Grand Banks could likewise become depleted.

The Canadian government alleges that in making its claims on the Arctic it is acting in the interests of conservation, and certainly it has done a lot in assuring the continuance of salmon runs, but against this should be placed its record in relation to the Great Lakes and some of the Maritime water areas. We hope that the government is concerned with ecological problems but it seems that there is an element of sabre-rattling in the claims which could bring us nearer to the brink.

What a splendid opportunity there would have been to enlist the co-operation of all peoples in the machinery of an international body to protect the heritage of all mankind.

Deutschland 'über alles

Private sign in Washington State "America, love it, or leave it!"
Shades of McCarthy, Hitler and the Klu Klux Klan.

The U.S.A. was one of the prime movers in the Nürnberg Trials. The principle established there was that no matter what a man is told to do, his conscience must be his final judge, and he is personally responsible for the humanity of any actions he carries out under superior orders.

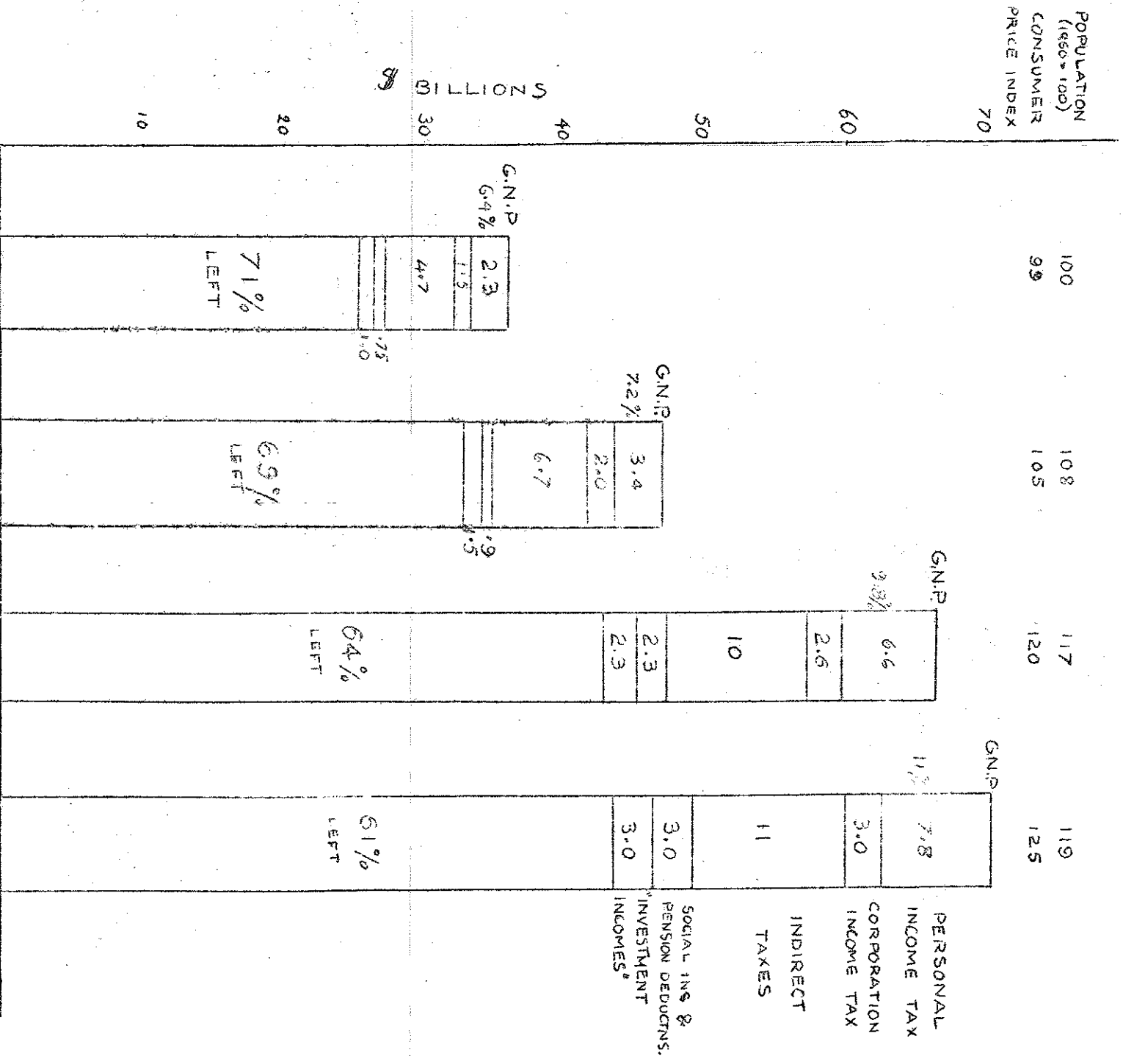
For reasons of conscience, many young men have been coming to Canada. These people have some guts. Those who meekly submit to the draft even though they do not want to kill, are the weak types who will never make any contribution to retaining existing freedom or further extending its boundaries.

"America, free it if you love it!"

CANADA

DIVISION OF GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT

BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS AND GOVERNMENT, 1960 - 1969



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If we were to make a graph of percentage left in the hands of individuals, we should find that it would have an exponential-type of appearance, and casting around for an equation that would fit the curve, $Y = 71 - X^{7/8}$ accommodates very nicely. Projecting this forward to find when all the produce is absorbed by the government, we hit 1984. This prediction is as valid as those of Cassandra who warn us that the people on the earth are going to run out of space within a certain time. If you wish to see how fallacious this type of reasoning is, go back to 1944 and substitute in the equation. (1960 supposed horiz.)

Distribution, 1960 - 1969 Contd.

We do not need to surmise to find out what is really happening. The figures show it clearly enough. (Sources, Dominion Bureau of Statistics except for 1969 which is Finance Minister Benson's estimate) In view of the present government's policy, especially with reference to Benson's statement that he considered the field of personal income tax to be most suitable for further increases, we can expect something like an exponential increase in the area of income tax. It has always been found, however, that increases in taxes on labour as it is exerted on wealth as it is used, can only discourage the useful type of work on which we depend for the commodities and services we enjoy. Soon, the ratio of G.N.P. to population must decline and we shall be like the countries of Europe where the only hope a person has to lift himself out of poverty is to manipulate within the framework of alternating scarcity and glut, using the planners' laws to fleece the public.

There is a very great rise in the taxation described as Social Insurance and Pensions deductions. The social insurance benefits obtainable are in many cases poorer than individuals could obtain on their own initiative. The pension contributions, actually, place an excessive burden on the young in relation to their possible "benefits". Besides, if we assume that these benefits will be received, we also assume that in perhaps forty years, there will be some form of government which has accepted the commitments made nearly half a century before, -- hardly likely when we consider the belligerent forces at work today, forces with the capacity of annihilating the greater part of mankind. Only people out of touch with reality could imagine that such long-term planning has a faint chance of achieving its desired end.

In the top block of "Personal Income Tax" are the levies made on savings of people who are attempting to provide themselves with a retirement income out of what is left after taxation. Unfortunately the government has made such provisions unprofitable for any personal investment is taxed twice. The first tax is the 7% inflation of last year, the second, the "income tax" on the inflated yield. A person can suffer only a loss here unless he pays into a recognised retirement savings plan when the government foregoes the income tax. But after the Prudential and Commonwealth disasters people have little trust in such plans. Should he invest inland? He can be sure that the government will get the little man some way. Besides, he does not have the inside information possessed by members of the three areas of government!

Politicians, belonging to one of the few groups who do not have to show some proof of worth before occupying a position, do not have the intelligence to see that the future cannot be paid for in the present neither can the past be paid for by the present. Overlapping with the milk of human kindness, they wish to do our purchasing for us, -- with our own funds-- our savings similarly, and they wish to be charitable to on our behalf, but alas, once more with our money, and preferably to eastern potentates.

Why does the C.B.C. point the finger of scorn at England's construction workers, blaming them for working only one quarter of their time on the job? We are hell-bent in the same "welfare" direction. Why not Stop taxation now? Let the individual manage his own affairs on his full wages? Let the government manage community affairs on the community-produced revenue, by accepting and keeping within the fund which is automatically put in the hands of site occupiers by virtue of the presence and activity of all the people around and about.

IS PROGRESS INEVITABLE? How long is it since thousands of residents of a province of Canada were without a daily newspaper? For three months the greater Vancouver area has been hit by a dispute between the monopolistic Pacific Press which publishes the Vancouver Sun and the Province, and its employees.

LITTLE MAN, YOU ARE A VICTIM WHICHEVER WAY YOU LOOK AT IT!