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PRICE MOVEMENTS, JULY, 1942(PRELIMINARY)

WHOLESALE: Closing at 94.7 for the week ended July 24th, the composite weekly index for 30 industrial materials on the base 1926=100 showed a decrease of 0.3 points when compared with the final June figure of 95.0. The food series accounted for the decline, falling 2.7 points to 88.2 between the end of June and July 24th due to a decrease of more than \$2.00 per cwt. for steers. This more than offset continued gradual advances for wheat and hog quotations. Manufacturing materials increased 0.3 points to 82.0 as prices for rosin advanced. The stable group of 12 commodities held steady at 114.0. Canadian farm product prices on the same base fell to 80.8 from 83.1 between June 26th and July 24th. Animal products declined 4.9 points to 103.5, as the livestock index dropped 22.1 points to 132.0. Field products eased 0.8 to 67.2.

COST OF LIVING: (Wartime increase 17.0 per cent - from 100.8 to 117.9). The Dominion Bureau of Statistics cost-of-living index advanced from 116.7 on June 1 to 117.9 on July 2, 1942. This index which has been specified as the basis for calculating cost-of-living bonus adjustments under Order-in-Council P.C. 5963 has increased 17.0 per cent between August 1939 and July 1942. In compliance with the revised Order-in-Council P.C. 6219, the price of cigarettes and tobacco in the July index does not include the tax imposed on June 24, 1942, by the Special War Revenue Act. The food index advanced from 126.2 to 130.3 between June and July, due mainly to increases in potatoes, beef, lamb and eggs. Butter, cheese and lard declined moderately. There was a lesser increase in the clothing index from 119.9 to 120.0. The fuel and lighting index declined from 112.6 to 112.5, while the three remaining groups were unchanged. Home furnishings and services held at 117.9, rentals at 111.3, and the miscellaneous group at 107.1.

SECURITIES: Following a moderate rally in the first part of July, common stock prices on Canadian exchanges recorded a weaker tone during the last three weeks for the month. At 61.4 for July 30, the Investors' composite index for 95 common stocks was 0.4 points below the final June level. A sharp drop occurred in bank stocks from an index level of 87.5 for the week of June 25th to 75.6 for the week of July 30th. This reflected announced year-end reductions in dividend declarations for six of the nine chartered banks, due to the imposition of new taxes, as announced in the 1942 budget. A decline of 1.5 points in the composite mining index reflected losses for both golds and base metals, the former series being down 2.0 points for the month at 38.5, and the latter 0.4 points at 72.4. As indicated by a weekly index based upon a 15-year 3 per cent theoretical issue, Dominion of Canada long-term bond yields stiffened 0.4 points to 99.0 in July.

SUMMARY OF PRICE INDEXES
 (1926=100 for Wholesale Prices)
 (1935-39=100 for Cost of Living and Security Prices)

	July 1941	June 1942	July, 1942				
			Week ended -				
			2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
<u>WHOLESALE</u> /							
Industrial Materials	89.3	94.8	95.0	94.7	94.8	94.7	-
Canadian Farm Products	71.7	81.5	81.8	82.3	81.9	80.8	-
<u>COST OF LIVING</u> (1st of month).....	111.9	116.7	117.9				
Investors' Price Index (95 common stocks)	67.5	62.8	61.2	63.6	62.4	62.0	61.4
68 Industrials	64.0	58.4	56.9	59.6	58.6	58.2	57.9
19 Utilities	70.6	68.1	65.8	68.7	67.0	68.0	67.5
Mining Stock Price Index (25 stocks)....	74.6	53.2	51.7	51.9	50.6	50.2	49.8
22 Golds	66.2	42.6	41.2	40.7	39.0	38.8	38.5
3 Base Metals	91.3	74.3	72.6	74.0	73.8	73.0	72.4
Dominion of Canada Long-Term Bonds - Yield Index	101.5	98.8	99.0	98.6	98.6	98.6	99.0
<u>FOREIGN EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS</u> -noon rates at Montreal							
U.S. dollars (x)dollars	1.105	1.105	1.105	1.105	1.105	1.105	1.105
Sterling (x)dollars	4.450	4.450	4.450	4.450	4.450	4.450	4.450

/ Week ends Friday instead of Thursday. (x) Average of daily buying and selling rates set by the Canadian Foreign Exchange Control Board since September 16, 1939.



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Year	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value	Description
1980	100	100	100	100	100	...
1981	105	105	105	105	105	...
1982	110	110	110	110	110	...
1983	115	115	115	115	115	...
1984	120	120	120	120	120	...
1985	125	125	125	125	125	...
1986	130	130	130	130	130	...
1987	135	135	135	135	135	...
1988	140	140	140	140	140	...
1989	145	145	145	145	145	...
1990	150	150	150	150	150	...
1991	155	155	155	155	155	...
1992	160	160	160	160	160	...
1993	165	165	165	165	165	...
1994	170	170	170	170	170	...
1995	175	175	175	175	175	...
1996	180	180	180	180	180	...
1997	185	185	185	185	185	...
1998	190	190	190	190	190	...
1999	195	195	195	195	195	...
2000	200	200	200	200	200	...
2001	205	205	205	205	205	...
2002	210	210	210	210	210	...
2003	215	215	215	215	215	...
2004	220	220	220	220	220	...
2005	225	225	225	225	225	...
2006	230	230	230	230	230	...
2007	235	235	235	235	235	...
2008	240	240	240	240	240	...
2009	245	245	245	245	245	...
2010	250	250	250	250	250	...
2011	255	255	255	255	255	...
2012	260	260	260	260	260	...
2013	265	265	265	265	265	...
2014	270	270	270	270	270	...
2015	275	275	275	275	275	...
2016	280	280	280	280	280	...
2017	285	285	285	285	285	...
2018	290	290	290	290	290	...
2019	295	295	295	295	295	...
2020	300	300	300	300	300	...

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