## There's a war on! Everyone has to make sacrifices!



How many times during **WW 1 & 2** did some Canadian remind some selfish whiner- "*There's a war on. Everyone has* to make sacrifices!"?

While some men and women young and older were overseas sacrificing their limbs and lives, those at home gave up more than luxuries. They cut back or gave up many essentials. Over 11 million Canadian ration books were distributed during WW2.



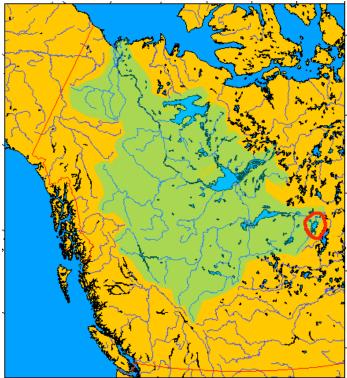
Millions of Canadian children, women and men gave their home based best to the war effort through the rationing program, learning to make do with less.

## War on Climate Change

Soon, preferably sooner than later, all Canadians will be asked to make small then ever greater sacrifices so that future generations, even those baby grandchildren today, will not be enslaved or defeated by an all encompassing war on climate change. As in both World Wars, some selfish arse-holes will cheat. "*Many people were fined for trying to buy more than their limit and also those who sold someone more then their weekly sacrifice*".

Even today, with climate change – with oceans, forests, fields, aquifers and atmosphere under heavy stress and duress, many Canadians continue to drive too big and too much. Utility trucks and SUVs make up almost half of all Canadian urban traffic while only a small percentage of Canadians regularly take transit. They fly here and there chasing the sun and secluded exotic sites.

## Athabasca / Mackenzie River Watershed



We **rape** our own **Boreal bog** *habitat*, strip mining for Bitumen-Tar-oil, draining and polluting one of the world's largest and last remaining pristine, fresh water systems from the Athabasca, to the Mackenzie to the Polar Seas to feed our insatiable crude appetite while sending half south to the largest most violent war mongering nation in the history of Empire who believes it's *Manifest* (readily apparent) *Destiny* (unalterable) is to control the

world and make it it's personal "bitch" through the use of unrestrained military might if needs be. Their battle cry may as well be "democracy at any cost to all other nations". In Canada's case, that cost is millions of hectares of Boreal bog carbon sink and billions of cubic metres of



fresh clear potable water under NAFreeTA.

So far, we have taken a relatively tiny terribly destructive bite out of all potential Alberta Bitumen Tar - see **So Far** below.



If we don't make relatively minor sacrifices today by demanding the end of Tar-Sands mining, loss of that dirty oil and income; if we don't stop driving so large and so much, if we don't cut back on crap, stuff and things now, famine not salmon will be king. In the too near future, if you can get over-priced coffee on occasion, you'll be ever so happy to have it without cream, without sugar.

# Our grandkids today and theirs will never know, nor be able to fathom the feast we lived with while they endure famine for life.

How much less crap, stuff and things could we Canadian's live with? How much more are we willing to let the world of future generation's get further trashed?

Are we tough enough to handle a much simpler lifestyle in order to save one of the world's largest sources of pristine fresh water?



Alberta Tar Sands

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The Tar sands crime is an integral part of Misters Campbell, Stelmach, Harper, Ignatieff et al's plans for economic "Growth" and the "GDP". They do not factor in current and future major damages to the Canada of Tee, Sean, Stuart, Andrew, Thomas, Spencer, Garett, Liam, Alec, Daniel, Danny and Maddy.

The Chinese, praised by the WTO and Fridemanite type economists, are investing the money we pay them to make our goods and kill our manufacturing industry, back into the Tar sands buying up our country in effect with our own money.

Y/our government "leaders" call this "wealth creating foreign investment", a huge chunk of which is now spent on military "Defence" against foreigners. Ironic when we have become our own worst enemy!

Even the United States government is looking carefully at the lack of Green-ness in Tar-sands energy upon which they now rely heavily, while we snooze. Perhaps they're also realizing as they move closer to running out of potable water, that they can't drink oil to survive and we are destroying their major future water source under NAFTA.

### WW1 - Defence of the Realm Act of 1914

When it was first introduced in Britain, the aim of DORA was to prevent food shortages. At first, food shortages were self-imposed but people panicked and hoarded. Some shops sold out of food in days. After the initial panic buying, people settled into a routine and food was not a problem until early 1917.

The DORA restrictions failed and the government introduced voluntary rationing whereby people limited themselves to what they should eat; the standard being set by the Royal Family. This didn't work. Anyone with money could get extra "black market" food, while those who worked in the munitions factories could not get enough. *Any area that could grow food was converted into* "Victory" gardens, while chickens roamed most backyards.

### **Canadian WW1 Rations**

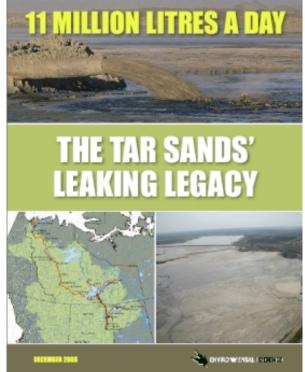
In Canada during WW1, the main things that were rationed were food and gasoline. Weekly, each Canadian adult was entitled to have 1.8 kg of meat and 220g of sugar. Each Canadian adult was limited to 26 L of gasoline per week.

#### **Canadian WW2 Rations**

"In January 1942, Canada instituted a food rationing program. Gasoline was rationed in April 1942. Applications were filled out and war ration books were mailed to householders with stamps and coupons for specific allotments, plus extra coupons in case other items were added to the restricted list. At first, each person was permitted to buy 12 ounces of sugar a week and a limited amount of coffee and tea. By April, the sugar allotment was reduced to 8 ounces per week. Sharing, trading or selling the coupons was illegal until 1943, but people could save their own allotments for special events. By December of 1942, butter was added to the ration list, with a mere ½ pound per person. The first war ration books had an expiry date of March 31, 1943. Price inflation was not a problem – government set the prices for the rationed goods. Rationing of meat began in May 1943 in the amount of two pounds per week per person.

"More staples came under the strict rules in time for rations book #3 in December 1943. Molasses, apple and honey butters, maple syrup, canned fruit and evaporated milk were all stringently controlled. (Molasses was used in the manufacture of synthetic rubber.) In 1944, goodies such as cheese, canned blueberries and pie filling were also rationed. As the wartime measures progressed, beer coupons were added to the rations roster, alcohol was scarce and highly priced. Silk stockings became a rarity since importation was limited, and women resorted to drawing the infamous seam line representing silk stockings on the backs of their legs with make-up pencils."

"Ration books continued to be used after the end of WWII. Because Europe's farmlands and factories were in ruins, food, especially meat, was sent from Canada as emergency aid. This essential help extended the rationing program in Canada until the last books were issued in 1946."



Get politically active to stop the Tar Sands now. Contact Federal and Alta. government "leaders" now! Discuss with friends and colleagues. Or - don't care! Don't do anything to win this war! LR - 2010.08.13