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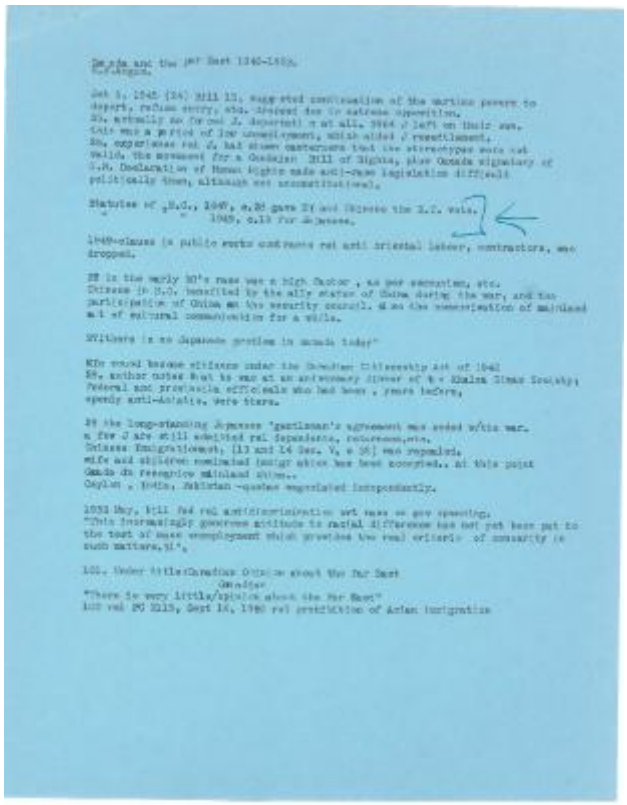
[Typewritten notes on "Canada and the Far East 1940-1953"]



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C.F.Argue.

Oct 1, 1945 (24) Bill 13, suggested continuation of the wartime powers to deport, refuse entry, etc. Dropped due to extreme opposition.
Ch. actually so far as J. deported at all. 3964 J left on their own.
This was a period of low unemployment, which aided J resettlement.
Ch. experience rel J. had shown Westerners that the stereotypes were not valid, the movement for a Canadian Bill of Rights, plus Canada signatory of U.N. Declaration of Human Rights made anti-race legislation difficult politically then, although not unconstitutional.

Statutes of B.C., 1947, c.26 gave Jap and Chinese the B.C. vote.
" " 1948, c.13 for Japanese.

1948-clause in public works contracts rel anti oriental labour, contractors, was dropped.

BC in the early 30's race was a high factor , as per encounter, etc.
Chinese in B.C. benefited by the ally status of China during the war, and the participation of China on the security council. Also the conservation of mainland as of cultural communication for a while.

Without is an Japanese problem in Canada today?

Who could become citizens under the Canadian Citizenship Act of 1947
Mr. Author notes that to war at an anniversary dinner of the Chinese Society; Federal and provincial officials who had been , years before, openly anti-Asiatic, were there.

As the long-standing Japanese 'gentleman's agreement was ended w/the war.
a few J are still admitted rel dependents, returnees,etc.
Chinese Immigrationact, (13 and 14 Geo. V, c 36) was repealed.
wife and children remained (only) which has been accepted.. at this point Canada do recognize mainland China..
Ceylon , India, Pakistan -quotas negotiated independently.

1953 May, Bill 9ed rel anti-discrimination act came on gov opening.
"This increasingly generous attitude to racial difference has not yet been put to the test of mass unemployment which provides the real criteria of security in such matters.31".

101. Under title:Canadian Opinion about the Far East
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"There is very little/opinion about the Far East"
101 rel PC 2115, Sept 16, 1950 rel restriction of Asian immigration

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