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# Traders Finance Corporation Limited



# ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31st December 1 9 4 4



An Independent Canadian Company. Branches from Coast to Coast.

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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE RT. HON. ARTHUR MEIGHEN, K.C., P.C.

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GEO. D. PERRY

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#### EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

THE RT. HON. AF	RTHUR	MEIG	HEN,	K.C., P.	.C.	Chair	man of	the Board
A. E. NAYLOR -		-			Presiden	t and	General	Manager
J. R. CROFT			Vice-P	resident	and As	sistant	General	Manager
D. E. STEWART		_	-	-	-	-	-	Treasure
MISS E. M. STRAI	IN -		_	-		-	-	Secretary

#### AUDITOR

A. D. DOWNIE, C.A. - Toronto

HEAD OFFICE 320 BAY STREET - TORONTO

I,

of a Shareholder of TRADERS FINANCE CORPORATION LIMITED, hereby appoint Rt. Hon Arthur Meighen of the City of Toronto, or him failing, Mr. A. E. Naylor, of the same place, as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf at the annual meeting of the Company to be held on the 25th day of April, 1945, and at any adjournment of the said meeting.

SIGNED this

day of April, 1945.

Signature	of	Sharehol	de
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#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of shareholders of the above Company will be held at the office of the Company, 1607 Canada Permanent Building, 320 Bay St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada, on April 25th, 1945, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving and considering the balance sheet and statement of accounts for the period ending December 31, 1944, and the report of the Auditor thereon; for the election of Directors; for the appointment of Auditors; for the consideration, and, if approved, ratification and confirmation of all by-laws, acts and proceedings of the board of directors of the Company enacted, done and taken since the last annual meeting of the shareholders, and for the transaction of such further and other business as may properly come before the meeting.

DATED at Toronto this 9th day of April, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

E. M. Strain, Secretary.

If you are not able to be present kindly detach, sign and return the attached proxy in the enclosed envelope provided for that purpose.

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#### ANNUAL REPORT — 1944

To the Shareholders:

Your Directors submit herewith the annual report of your company for the year ended December 31, 1944, together with the balance sheet and profit and loss and surplus accounts as certified by your Auditor.

Net profit for the year, before provision for income and excess profits taxes, amounted to \$303,682. Taxes amounted to \$96,207 and after charging the dividends on the preferred shares and interest on the income funding rights the earnings available for common shares were \$46,486, equivalent to \$ .80 per share, as against \$1.04 in 1943.

Earnings of Canadian General Insurance Company and Toronto General Insurance Company, the subsidiaries of Canadian Insurance Shares Limited, and the earnings of your three other subsidiary companies continue to be satisfactory. The annual report of Canadian Insurance Shares Limited is enclosed.

During the year ended December 31, 1944 there were purchased and cancelled 281 series "A" 6% cumulative redeemable preference shares of capital stock, 98 series "A" income funding rights and 76 series "B" income funding rights. Capital surplus account now stands at \$17,135.45.

During the year your Directors inaugurated a staff pension plan for the personnel of your company including the subsidiaries of Canadian Insurance Shares Limited, the cost of past service premiums to your company being charged to Earned Surplus Account.

Substantial recoveries of bad debts written off in previous years were made during the year ended December 31, 1944 at an estimated cost of \$16,780, as shown in the statement of profit and loss. An excess of reserve for bad and doubtful accounts in the amount of \$200,000 has been transferred to Earned Surplus Account.

Your entire organization is being held in a satisfactory position, ready to take its place in the consumer financing field when automotive production is resumed.

Your Directors take pleasure in recording that the officers and employees have throughout the year performed their duties faithfully and well.

Respectfully submitted,

April 9, 1945. 320 Bay St., Toronto, Ont.

## TRADERS FINANCE C

#### BALANCE SHEET

#### **ASSETS**

Cash on hand and in bank	\$ 528,335.87
Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds, at cost	
Other marketable securities, at cost	1,014,160.48
Notes receivable, secured, after full provision for doubtful accounts	
Dominion Government automobile pool account 416,678.65	2,583,740.63
Sundry loans and advances, after full provision for doubtful accounts	98,537.48
Investment in shares of subsidiary companies, at  cost	
Advances to subsidiary companies 390,000.00	1,488,255.00
Automobiles, equipment and goodwill	1.00

Approved on behalf of the Board:

ARTHUR MEIGHEN A. E. NAYLOR Directors.

\$5,713,030.46

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## DECEMBER 31 1944

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts payable Interest payable on serial debentures Interest payable on income funding rights Dividends payable on preferred stock Reserve for income tax and excess profits tax Dealers' reserves, holdbacks, etc.  Reserve for unearned income		18,695.01 7,000.00 19,054.18 36,031.59 54,560.00 355,092.54	\$	490,433.32 146,571.81
Three and one-half per cent serial debentures: Authorized and issued Less: redeemed  (Secured by common shares of no par value of Canadia Insurance Shares Limited and maturing in annu	\$ an	700,000.00		400,000.00
instalments on January 1, 1945 to 1948 inclusive).  Capital: Authorized—  31,597 Series "A" 6% cumulative redeemable of \$100 par value callable at \$110.  170,000 Class "A" common shares of no par value. 30,000 Class "B" common shares of no par value.	prof	erence shares		
Issued and outstanding— 24,570 Series "A" 6% cumulative redeemable preference shares 1,123 shares purchased and cancelled including 281 shares purchased and cancelled during the year ended December 31, 1944		,457,000.00 112,300.00		
23,447	\$2	,344,700.00		
27,543 Class "A" common shares of no par value 30,000 Class "B" common shares of no par value	Ψ2	27,543.00 30,000.00		
	\$2	,402,243.00		
Capital surplus, as per statement attached Earned surplus, as per statement attached		17,135.45	4	,676,025.33
			\$5	,713,030.46

of \$510,093.50. Non-cumulative interest at the rate of \$1.00 per annum per right is payable out of the dends on the Series "A" cumulative redeemable preference shares. In the event of liquidation, the income s "B" common stock.

### STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1944

Income from commercial financing\$480,217.99Income from interest and dividends120,422.49Other miscellaneous income9,039.85Profit realized on securities sold14,738.96	\$ 624,419.29
Deduct— Interest paid\$ 18,729.44 General and administrative expense\$ \$267,470.86	
Less: Cost of collection of old accounts 16,870.00 250,600.86	
Directors' and executive officers' salaries (net) Directors' fees	¢ 220.726.96
Profit for year before provision for income and excess profits taxes	\$ 320,736.86
Provision for Dominion income tax and excess profits tax	96,207.48 \$ 207,474.95
EARNED SURPLUS ACCOUNT DECEMBER 31 1944	£2.120.042.11
Balance, January 1, 1944  Transferred from reserve for bad and doubtful accounts  Net profit for year, as above \$207,474.95  Less—	\$2,139,843.11 200,000.00
Interest on income funding rights to December 31, 1944	
cumulative redeemable preference shares 141,171.00 160,988.00	46,486.95
Pension plan past service premiums and premiums for 1943	\$2,386,330.06 129,683.18
Balance, December 31, 1944	\$2,256,646.88
Balance, January 1, 1944  Add: Surplus arising from the purchase and cancellation of 281	\$ 17,852.25
Series "A" 6% cumulative redeemable preference shares of \$100 par value	1,978.45 \$ 19,830.70
Less: Cost of 98 series "A" and 76 series "B" income funding rights purchased and cancelled  Balance, December 31, 1944	2,695.25 \$ 17,135.45
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# A. DOUGLAS DOWNIE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

1603 CANADA PERMANENT BUILDING
TORONTO - CANADA

Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of TRADERS FINANCE CORPORATION LIMITED:

I have made an examination of the attached balance sheet of Traders Finance Corporation Limited as at December 31, 1944, and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required.

In carrying out that examination, I visited the head office and branch offices of the company and examined the accounts relative to the notes receivable and the other assets and liabilities. Substantial tests of the correctness of the accounts were made during the year by direct correspondence with the makers of the notes receivable and similar tests were also made of the the existence of the notes receivable. I am satisfied that the provision for doubtful accounts is adequate. Cash and investments were verified by actual inspection or by certificates from the depositaries.

So far as I am able to determine, full provision has been made for all liabilities as at December 31, 1944 and the reserve for unearned income is, in my judgment, fair and reasonable.

During the year ended December 31, 1944, there were purchased and cancelled 281 series "A" 6% cumulative redeemable preference shares of capital stock, 98 series "A" income funding rights and 76 series "B" income funding rights.

Under section 114 of the Companies Act 1934, I report that the aggregate profits of subsidiary companies have been taken credit for in the accounts of Traders Finance Corporation Limited only to the extent of dividends received.

I report that, in my opinion, based upon such examination, the attached balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the company's affairs as at December 31, 1944, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the company.

March 29, 1945

Chartered Accountant

#### **BRANCH OFFICES**

SAINT JOHN, N.B. - Bank of Nova Scotia Building

QUEBEC, QUE. - - Guilmette Building

MONTREAL, QUE. - - University Tower Building

TORONTO, ONT - - 320 Bay Street

LONDON, ONT. - 393-395 Wellington Street

WINDSOR, ONT. - 44 Wyandotte Street East

PORT ARTHUR, ONT. - 4 Woolworth Building

WINNIPEG, MAN. - - Lombard Building

REGINA, SASK. - - - Broder Building

MOOSE JAW, SASK. - 315 Hammond Building

SASKATOON, SASK. - London and Western Trusts Building

PRINCE ALBERT, SASK. - 4 Bank of Montreal Building

CALGARY, ALTA. - Insurance Exchange Building

EDMONTON, ALTA. - McLeod Building

VANCOUVER, B.C. - Vancouver Block