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THE NEWS YOU TALKED ABOUT

Talking point of the Christmas season for Britain was food. The people looked for signs of bigger rations. From Canada came news of a record sugar-beet crop. In Alberta, 2,600 Polish veterans are helping to gather this year's harvest. It is estimated to total more than 600,000 tons. A British Government delegation is at present negotiating in Ottawa for a new feed pact. They are showing special interest in the wheat harvest. What effect an agreement may have on the bread ration cannot yet be estimated.

The Poles went from Britain to Canada for a two year period in agricultural work, after which they will be allowed to settle in the Dominion.

While Canada's food production is geared-up to help Britain, news from Europe shows that there is not a shortage everywhere. In Brno, they celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Moravian confectioners guild. Everything you see - including the vase and the flowers - is made of chocolate. A shop window full of all the things we used to have - remember?

Display stands were packed with confectioners' exhibits. Everything on show was there to be eaten.

The doll's house was made of ginger bread. An up-to-date fairy queen gave out two months sweet ration - all at once.

As the confectioners left they took with them badges of gingerbread. Our cameraman has asked to go again next year.

The nation also talked of London's new £3 million underground extension. When Transport Minister Alfred Barnes turned the key at the opening ceremony, the first train prepared to move out on its four mile journey.

Mr. Barnes and London Transport Chief Lord Latham were the first passengers.

More than 120,000 people in Essex areas will benefit by the new service. It will bring them within half an hour of London's West End.

During the war years, the tunnels through which the trains now travel, housed a five-mile long underground factory.

Plans for the new tube extension were launched in 1935 with a £40 million Government guarantee. Additional lines to Epping and Ruislip are now being laid.