

always enjoy a higher rate of return than that enjoyed by the less efficient.

What is the result of marketing board monopolies? A constituent of mine tells me that one day last year as he left Vancouver, the price of cut-up frying chicken was 59 cents a pound. A day or so later, in Los Angeles, he saw that the price of chicken was 29 cents a pound; less than half the Vancouver price. In California there is free enterprise; in British Columbia there is a chicken marketing board. By the standards of inefficient British Columbia chicken producers, California producers are unbelievably efficient. But those of us who understand economics are not surprised: ever increasing efficiency and lower prices are the continuing consequences of genuinely competitive free enterprise. In British Columbia we are forced to pay twice as much for chicken because the government denies freedom of enterprise in chicken production.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, there are really only two types of politic-economic systems: first, the presence of free market competition and, second, the absence of free market competition, that is, the presence of restrictions. There are basically two types of restrictive systems. The first is the state socialist system, in which the state owns the means of production and the bureaucrats and politicians own the state. The bureaucracies are protected from legal competition because freedom of enterprise is denied. The other is the corporate socialist or fascist system, in which private ownership is maintained in name but the state is exceedingly powerful. The state uses marketing boards or variations thereof to protect members of select groups from competition.

The difference between the two is that the corporate socialist system features nominally private ownership of the means of production, although final control lies with the state through the marketing board; it fixes prices and grants or withholds quotas. Perhaps the freedom of the Canadian people is presently threatened more seriously by corporate socialism than by state socialism.

In contrast, the foundation of the free system is simply that if someone thinks he can produce goods or services more efficiently than those already in the industry, he is free to risk his labour and savings; he is free to compete. Competition—to make a long story short—will result in ever increasing efficiency and lower prices.

[Translation]

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel):** Order, please. Pursuant to the special order made earlier today, it is my duty to interrupt these proceedings and forthwith put every question necessary to dispose of the motion now before the House.

[English]

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Yes.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel):** All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

**Some hon. Members:** Yea.

### Food Prices

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel):** All those opposed will please say nay.

**Some hon. Members:** Nay.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel):** In my opinion the nays have it.

*And more than five members having risen:*

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel):** Call in the members.

The House divided on the motion (Mrs. MacInnis, Vancouver-Kingsway) which was agreed to on the following division:

● (2200)

### (Division No. 22)

#### YEAS

Messrs.

Allard	Gauthier	Mackasey
Allmand	(Ottawa East)	Marceau
Andras	Gendron	Marchand
Barnett	Gillespie	(Langelier)
Basford	Gleave	Marchand
Beaudoin	Goyer	(Kamloops-
Béchar	Grier	Cariboo)
Bégin (Miss)	Guay	McRae
Benjamin	(St. Boniface)	Morin (Mrs.)
Blais	Guay (Lévis)	Munro
Blouin	Guilbault	(Hamilton East)
Boisvert	Haidasz	Nystrom
Boulanger	Harding	Olaussen
Breau	Harney	Olivier
Brewin	Herbert	Orlikow
Broadbent	Hopkins	Ouellet
Buchanan	Hymmen	Pelletier
Caccia	Jamieson	(Hochelaga)
Caouette	Jerome	Pelletier
(Charlevoix)	Knight	(Sherbrooke)
Caron	Knowles	Penner
Chrétien	(Winnipeg	Peters
Clermont	North Centre)	Portelance
Comtois	Lachance	Poulin
Corbin	Laflamme	Prud'homme
Corriveau	Lalonde	Railton
Côté	Lambert	Reid
Cullen	(Bellechasse)	Richardson
Cyr	Lang	Rodriguez
Danson	Langlois	Rompkey
Davis	Laniel	Rondeau
De Bané	Laprise	Rooney
Demers	Latulippe	Rowland
Dionne	Leblanc	Roy
Douglas	(Laurier)	(Timmins)
Drury	LeBlanc	Roy
Dubé	(Westmorland-	(Laval)
Dupont	Kent)	Saltsman
Dupras	Lefebvre	Sharp
Duquet	Lewis	Smith
Ethier	Loiselle	(Saint-Jean)
Faulkner	MacDonald	Stanbury
Fleming	(Cardigan)	Stewart
Foster	MacEachen	(Okanagan-
Fox	MacGuigan	Kootenay)
Gauthier	MacInnis (Mrs.)	Stewart
(Roberval)		(Cochrane)