It was subsequently established that the Cyrs had stolen nine head of cattle from McCall and eight from Engwald Ivorson, another American, but the night after these animals had been pastured on Jalbert's farm some had broken loose and were lost. To provide for the deficiency, Armand Cyr had persuaded Jalbert to help him steal some cattle from Labatte.

Armand and Andre Cyr appeared on May 13, 1942, at Radville before Police Magistrate J. C. Martin, K.C., on separate charges of Bringing Stolen Cattle into Canada, s. 398 Cr. Code. They were ably defended by M. L. M. Skelton while R. D. Newsome, K.C., conducted the prosecution. The accused were convicted and sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the Prince Albert Penitentiary.

Armand Cyr and Jalbert both pleaded guilty to charges of Theft of Cattle from the Labatte farm, s. 369 Cr. Code. Cyr received a two-year term to run concurrently with the previous sentence. The passing of sentence on Jalbert was suspended; he was bound over on his own recognizance of \$500 to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for a period of two years and ordered to report on the first of every month, either personally or by letter, to the R.C.M.P. Radville Detachment. His Worship ordered that the complainant's cattle be returned to him.

Further developments arose when Jalbert, who apparently under duress had aided the thieves, in a fit of anger because he had been threatened with death if he talked, gave a statement that resulted in two charges of Theft of Wheat, s. 386 Cr. Code, being laid against Armand Cyr; the accused pleaded guilty in each case and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment in Prince Albert Penitentiary, sentences to run concurrently with previous ones.

Jalbert, himself, was also charged with Theft of Wheat, and sentenced to six months in the Regina Jail.

Eugene Cyr, a brother of Armand and Andre, was likewise charged with Theft of Wheat, but in his case the passing of sentence was suspended; he was bound over on his own recognizance of \$500 to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for a period of one year and to report personally on the first day of every month to Radville Detachment.

As this is written additional charges of Theft of Wheat are pending against Armand Cyr and an accomplice.

Although not obtained in the thrilling and romantic manner depicted in the usual run of 'Western' story, these convictions reveal that if a trail is 'hit' when it is 'hot', somebody might 'spill the beans', and the investigators' efforts will be attended by better results.

## R. v. Dallman et al

Conspiracy—Foreign Exchange Control Order—Illegal Importation of Canadian Bonds—Validity of Order—Infractions Provide Grounds for Conspiracy Charges

Early in 1940 the Canadian bond and security market in Montreal was flooded with Canadian Government 'bearer' bonds sold by Ernest Stanley Dallman and his associates. The sales were brought to the attention of the Foreign Exchange Control Board which requested the

assistance of the R.C.M.P. Accordingly, members of the Montreal R.C.M.P. Civil Security Squad commenced inquiries.

Four of the bonds were traced to a New York brokerage house, and it was ascertained that these and about three