

IN MEMORIAM

HONOURABLE SENATOR HARRY W. HAYS, P.C.

This study is dedicated to the Hon. Senator Harry W. Hays, P.C., who spent his life in the service of agriculture. Elected to the House of Commons in 1963, he was Minister of Agriculture for Canada from 1963 to 1966. In his term as minister the policy for entry of the exotic breeds of cattle to Canada was established, as was the new classification for show ring standards. The display herds at the Central Experimental Farm in Ottawa were put in place, and the groundwork for the later introduction of the Canadian Dairy Commission and Canfarm was completed. He was one of the first and most successful promoters and exporters of Canadian breeds of livestock. As a rancher he developed the Hays' Converter breed of beef cattle. He was chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture from May, 1980, until his death in May, 1982.