

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: My right honourable friend was a member of the Government in the war years of 1914-1918, and he knows full well the returned soldiers and their dependents became our wards.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Certainly. Our chief charge, as was the case in England, will be the men returning, not those who stayed at home.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I simply want to say that what we are doing here is providing for industrial workers, at present employed, who will be unemployed after the war. Later on Parliament naturally will have to provide by special legislation, as it did in 1918, for the soldiers who return and the families of those who do not return.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: But we are diverting our resources in another direction now.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: My right honourable friend is not correct when he suggests we are forgetting the soldiers. He knows very well that everything comes in its proper time.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: We are diverting our resources in the wrong direction.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: We are simply protecting workers who will later become unemployed, and at the same time furthering our war effort by utilizing the money collected from these workers and their employers.

Hon. Mr. ASELTINE: All the money will be spent, though.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 3 p.m.

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## THE SENATE

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Friday, August 2, 1940.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

### PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE BILL

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. J. J. DONNELLY presented, and moved concurrence in, the report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry on Bill 113, an Act to amend the Prairie Farm Assistance Act, 1939.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN.

He said: Honourable senators, while the amendments are numerous, they do not change the effect of the Bill, and they are all made on the advice of the Law Clerk of the Senate. A representative of the department who was present assured us he was fully satisfied with these amendments.

The motion was agreed to.

#### THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the third reading of the Bill, as amended.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

### SOLDIER SETTLEMENT BILL

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. F. B. BLACK presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill 31, an Act to amend the Soldier Settlement Act, as follows:

Your Committee have examined the said Bill and beg leave to report that the preamble of the Bill has not been proven to their satisfaction.

Hon. Mr. BLACK moved concurrence in the report.

The motion was agreed to.

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: I may say, in relation to this report, that the committee were of opinion that the procedure followed in the matters covered by the Bill should be continued, and that there was no need for any amendment.

Right Hon. ARTHUR MEIGHEN: Honourable senators, I am quite in accord with the leader of the House when he says the committee felt that the law as it stands should be continued; but when he says that everything which has been done should be continued, I do not think he is stating the judgment of the committee. A case was brought up—it occurred in 1932, I think—which was entirely beyond the limits of the law and should never be continued.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I limited my remarks to the procedure followed in regard to mineral rights.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Yes, the law as it stands should be continued.