

## PRICES OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Mr. SENN:

1. Has the war-time prices and trade board made any investigation into the retail prices of Canadian grown canned vegetables and fruits?

2. If so, to what extent, if at all, have any increases which have been discovered, enured to the benefit of the primary producer?

Mr. McLARTY:

1. The War-time Prices and Trade Board maintains a continuous surveillance of the retail prices of the principal kinds of canned vegetables and fruits in more than 200 communities in Canada but no special study of Canadian grown canned vegetables and fruits has been made.

2. Answered by No. 1.

## IMPORTS OF CANNED BEEF

Mr. ROSS (Souris):

What was the dollar value by countries of origin of Canadian imports of canned beef during each of the fiscal years, 1939, 1940, 1941?

Mr. MacKINNON (Edmonton West): Before submitting the answer to this question, and also to the questions relating to imports of corn and imports of raw sugar, I wish to make a brief statement.

It has been decided as a matter of policy that the bureau of statistics will give no detailed information as to the countries of origin of imports for the duration of the war. It is felt that this information might be of value to the enemy in acquainting them with the sources of supply of certain materials. This decision is wholly in accord with the present practice of the United Kingdom.

If any individual hon. member wishes this information for his own private and confidential use we shall be glad to furnish it to him.

The answer to the question is as follows:

Imports, by countries, of canned beef entered for consumption in Canada during the calendar years 1938 and 1939 and 1940 (fiscal years not available).

Country	1938	1939	1940*
United Kingdom \$	....	\$ 2,074	
Australia	14,431	62,232	
Argentina	332,927	617,284	
Brazil	100,189	70,366	
Japan	1,196	....	
Paraguay	23,003	6,954	
Uruguay	112,391	183,309	
United States	....	63	
Totals	\$584,137	\$942,282	\$816,266*

\*Countries of origin not available.

## IMPORTS OF CORN

Mr. HATFIELD:

1. What quantity of corn was imported into Canada for manufacturing purposes in the year 1940?

2. What quantity of corn was imported into Canada for other than manufacturing purposes in the same year?

3. From what countries was this corn imported?

4. What was the value of these imports?

Mr. MacKINNON (Edmonton West):

1, 2 and 4. Imports of corn entered for consumption in Canada during the calendar year 1940:

Item	Bush.	Value
Indian corn for purposes of distillation.. . . .	683,026	\$ 290,268
Indian corn for manufacture of starch or cereal products.. . . .	1,796,532	820,343
Indian corn, n.o.p. . . . .	5,399,297	2,753,112

3. Countries not available.

## IMPORTS OF RAW SUGAR

Mr. HOMUTH:

What amount of sugar was imported into Canada during the months of October, November, December, 1940, and January, February, March, 1941, from, (a) British countries; (b) foreign countries?

Mr. MACKINNON (Edmonton West):

Imports of sugar entered for consumption:

Month	From	
	British countries	foreign countries
	Cwt.	Cwt.
October, 1940	841,018	428,409
November, 1940	871,558	232,533
December, 1940	740,977	154,080
January, 1941	563,281	47,705
February, 1941	141,155	41,247
March, 1941	.....	not available

Mr. HATFIELD:

1. What quantity of raw sugar was imported into Canada during the year 1940?

2. From what countries was this sugar imported?

3. What was the value of these imports?

Mr. MacKINNON (Edmonton West):

1 and 3. Imports of raw sugar entered for consumption in Canada during the calendar year 1940: Cwt., 10,728,450; Value, \$25,757,951.

2. Countries not available.