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Too great a concentration on increased production in one line would certainly result in decreased production in other lines equally badly needed today. We would not be assisting the world situation by concentrating on great additional quantities of wheat and thereby reducing the production of coarse grains needed for feed purposes. Coarse grains are already in relatively short supply. Further curtailment would restrict our livestock programme.

After full consideration of all these factors,
the Government has decided upon certain further steps to
meet the present crisis. These steps are designed not only
production in all
to maintain our present large food/lines, but to make
available increased quantities of wheat for export. The
Government believes that its proposals will substantially
increase the amount of available wheat.

## The Government's Policy

## (1) Wheat Production and Price

Reference has already been made to the very
large expansion of Canadian wheat acreage over the past
two years available to help meet the anticipated requirements
this year. The Government does not feel that it should try

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