

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: The Canadian Wheat Board Act was amended in 1939 in order to include Ontario wheat within its provisions. The only change this Bill would make in the Act as amended is to increase the price from 70 to 90 cents.

Hon. Mr. KING: I think that is right.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: So all the privileges enjoyed by the Ontario farmer under the Act as amended in 1939 will continue to be enjoyed by him after this Bill is passed.

Hon. Mr. HORNER: That is my impression.

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: The Bill says, in section 1:

Provided that such sum certain shall in the case of wheat of the grade No. 1 Manitoba Northern be 90 cents. . . .

In Ontario we do not produce No. 1 Northern.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: Under this Act the price of all grades of wheat is fixed by the Board at the beginning of the crop year. Our proportion of No. 1 is not more than 60 per cent; No. 2 accounts for about 30 per cent, and the other grades make up the remaining 10 per cent.

Hon. Mr. BLACK: Honourable senators, it would not take very long to obtain, possibly from an official of the Department of Agriculture, the information asked for by the honourable senator from South Bruce (Hon. Mr. Donnelly). I think the explanation given so far is not clear. What has been said by the honourable gentleman from St. Jean Baptiste (Hon. Mr. Beaubien) may be quite correct, but some of us are not quite sure as to whether this price of 90 cents applies to any other than Western wheat.

Hon. Mr. KING: I am not sure myself.

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: The Bill may apply to Ontario, but, as the matter is in doubt, I think it would be well to get definite information from someone.

Hon. Mr. KING: I think we shall be able to get the information from the department in a few moments.

Hon. Mr. PATERSON: May I read section 14 in its entirety?

The provisions of this Act shall apply mutatis mutandis to wheat produced in the Eastern Division, and the sums certain to be paid producers delivering such wheat shall be fixed by the Board with the approval of the Governor in Council so that they shall bear the same relationship to the sums certain payable in the case of wheat produced in Manitoba, Sas-

katchewan, Alberta and British Columbia as the price of wheat produced in the Eastern Division bears to the price of wheat in store at Fort William.

Hon. Mr. KING: That is the 1939 Act?

Hon. Mr. PATERSON: The amending Act of 1939. I think that section is very fair. It has not been changed?

Hon. Mr. KING: No.

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

### THIRD READING

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall this Bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. KING: With leave of the Senate, I move that the Bill be now read the third time.

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

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

### THE ROYAL ASSENT

The Right Honourable Sir Lyman Poore Duff, the Deputy of the Governor General, having come and being seated at the foot of the Throne, and the House of Commons having been summoned and being come with their Speaker, the Right Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:

An Act to amend the Precious Metals Marking Act.

An Act to amend the Prairie Farm Assistance Act, 1939.

An Act to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act, 1935.

An Act respecting wheat acreage reduction.

An Act for granting to His Majesty aid for the purpose of financing United Kingdom war requirements in Canada and for national defence and security.

An Act for granting to His Majesty aid for national defence and security.

An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending the 31st March, 1942.

An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending the 31st March, 1943.

An Act for granting to His Majesty aid for national defence and security.

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Right Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, May 5, at 8 p.m.