

## War Appropriation—Agriculture

Concentrated milk at 30 cents...	\$ 638,675 61
Concentrated milk, March and April, 1943, at 25 cents.....	234,065 52
Total concentrated milk.....	\$ 872,741 13
Cheddar cheese milk at 30 cents..	\$ 1,171,557 64
Total milk and milk products..	\$29,970,943 70
Canning crops.....	\$ 945,441 06
Berries for jam.....	\$ 261,025 06
Grand total.....	\$31,177,409 82

Mr. STIRLING: How is the difference between that \$31,000,000 odd and the \$47,000,000 made up?

Mr. GARDINER: The \$31,000,000 was for last year. The \$47,000,000 odd is the estimate for the coming year. The subsidy payments estimated for 1944-45 are as follows:

## Subsidy payments estimated for 1944-45

Subsidy	Rate	Estimated cost
Butterfat used for creamery butter.....	10 cents per pound butterfat.....	\$28,200,000
Fluid milk.....	{25 cents and 35 cents (summer).....}	11,200,000
	{25 cents and 55 cents (winter).....}	
Cheese.....	20 cents per hundred pounds.....	4,200,000
Concentrated milk.....	{15 cents (summer).....}	1,400,000
	{30 cents (winter).....}	
Subsidy on fruit for jams.....		600,000
To producers of tomatoes, corn, peas and beans.....		2,000,000
Total.....		\$47,600,000

Mr. PERLEY: Would the minister give us a break-down by provinces of the fluid milk subsidies paid?

Mr. GARDINER: I have not the figures for this year except by the months, which are

not totalled. But the total amount paid in subsidies on milk for fluid use in all Canada in 1943 was \$4,968,477. The other figures of subsidies paid are as follows:

	Milk for fluid use 1943	Milk for cheese 1943	Milk for manufactured use 1943	Butterfat subsidy 1943
CANADA .....	\$4,968,477	\$800,270	\$464,955	\$15,724,915
Prince Edward Island .....	22,250	4,484	.....	231,166
Nova Scotia .....	188,775	.....	1,751	359,649
New Brunswick .....	136,304	2,747	.....	371,487
Quebec .....	1,314,072	301,261	128,965	4,825,545
Ontario .....	2,219,833	470,201	268,935	3,810,740
Manitoba .....	261,709	11,707	.....	1,721,330
Saskatchewan .....	137,188	1,881	231	2,286,856
Alberta .....	211,341	5,371	16,254	1,902,125
British Columbia .....	477,005	2,616	48,818	216,017

It will be noted that, in respect of milk for fluid use, Prince Edward Island and Saskatchewan are the provinces with the lowest subsidy.

Mr. STIRLING: I do not follow the figures of the break-down that the minister gave, because there seem to be so many omissions; for instance, all the subsidies on imported goods, tea, molasses, oranges and all those sorts of things.

Mr. GARDINER: Those are paid under the prices board in connection with consumers subsidies. These are only producers subsidies.

Mr. STIRLING: In the subsidies on domestic goods, besides those to which the minister has referred, there are eggs, groceries and things of that sort. Do they not come into this item of \$47,600,000?

Mr. GARDINER: No; we do not pay any subsidies on eggs, that I recall. There is the milk subsidy, again paid to consumers by the prices board. That does not come into this.

Mr. STIRLING: Maple products, rye, vegetables?

Mr. GARDINER: Of course the vegetables are in this, \$2,000,000.

Mr. STIRLING: Vegetables come in. Berries and jams and canning of produce, under canning?

Mr. GARDINER: Yes; canned vegetables, like peas, corn and so on.

Mr. STIRLING: The remainder of this return to the house comes under other items?

Mr. GARDINER: Yes.