

Ontario winter wheat, with the proviso that this price would only become effective in the event that the market price for No. 1 grades of Ontario winter wheat at country points fell below a price of 95 cents per bushel basis export rail freights to Montreal.

**Wheat Products.**—The Canadian Wheat Board was charged with the administration of the drawbacks paid in respect to flour or other human foods containing wheat sold and delivered in Canada between Aug. 1, 1942, and July 31, 1943, in accordance with Order in Council P.C. 9457, dated Oct. 16, 1942. In this connection the following press release was issued on Aug. 22, 1942:—

The Wartime Prices and Trade Board announced late yesterday that arrangements have been made whereby Canadian flour mills will be provided with western wheat at a price appropriate to flour ceiling prices.

The announcement said millers will continue to buy their wheat requirements in the open market at the higher price levels now prevailing, and will be eligible for a drawback representing the difference between the average price estimated to have been paid and the appropriate price on wheat ground for domestic use. The drawback will not be paid on flour exported from Canada.

Price ceilings on flour are the highest flour prices prevailing during the basic period, September 15 to October 11, 1941. The price of wheat appropriate to these flour ceilings has been determined tentatively by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board as 77 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> cents per bushel for No. 1 Northern in store Fort William, subject to adjustment after investigation of milling costs by the Board.

The drawback will be paid for flour delivered on and after August 1, 1942, pursuant to sales contracts made on and after that date. Unfilled contracts as at July 31 will not be eligible for drawback.

The cost of the drawback is being absorbed by the Treasury, and it will be administered for the Treasury by the Canadian Wheat Board, as an arrangement separate from their other undertakings. Details as to procedure in applying for the drawback will be announced shortly by the Canadian Wheat Board.

**Oats.**—For the crop year 1942-43, the Canadian Wheat Board, under Order in Council P.C. 1801, was empowered to buy Winnipeg oats futures or cash oats at a price per bushel which would assure that producers in Western Canada would be continuously offered the following prices per bushel basis in store Fort William/Port Arthur: No. 2 Canada Western Oats—45 cents per bushel; Extra No. 3 Canada Western, No. 3 Canada Western, or Extra No. 1 Feed—42 cents per bushel; or No. 1 Feed—40 cents per bushel. The ceiling price of oats was 51 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cents per bushel basis in store Fort William/Port Arthur.

**Barley.**—For the crop year 1942-43, the Canadian Wheat Board, under Order in Council P.C. 1801, was empowered to buy Winnipeg barley futures or cash barley at a price per bushel which would assure that producers in western Canada would be continuously offered the following prices per bushel basis in store Fort William/Port Arthur: No. 1 Canada Western 2 Row or 6 Row, or No. 2 Canada Western 2 Row or 6 Row—60 cents per bushel; No. 3 Canada Western—58 cents per bushel; or No. 1 Feed—56 cents per bushel. The ceiling price of barley was 64 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cents per bushel basis in store Fort William/Port Arthur.

**Oats and Barley Equalization Funds.**—On Apr. 6, 1943, the Federal Government announced the establishment of equalization funds in respect to oats and barley. The Canadian Wheat Board was empowered to assess equalization fees against permits issued for the export of oats and barley; the equalization fee being based upon the difference between domestic prices of oats and barley and prices obtainable for these grains in export markets, after allowing for transportation costs, normal forwarding costs and import duties.