

and that farmers should not be forced to pay more than four per cent.

It was the second time this session that the House voted to override a veto. On June 1 it voted, 368 to 13, and the Senate, 69 to 12, to pass a bill giving 23,000 Great War veterans the privilege of extending their temporary government insurance policies for another five years.

FARMERS BENEFIT BY CO-OPERATIVES

Movement For Marketing Organizations Shows Growing Strength

In the marketing of Canadian agricultural products, farmers' co-operative business organizations occupy an important position, and according to the latest available records assembled in 1936 by the Agricultural Economics Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture, 781 of these organizations were active in 1935.

In all, the 781 farmers' co-operative business organizations have 2,485 branches, making a total of 3,266 places of business engaged in the marketing of farm products and in the purchase of supplies for farmers. Shareholders and members financially interested numbered 366,885, and patrons were estimated to number 406,321. The organizations range in size from the small club serving local needs to the large association with a Dominion-wide field of activity. Sales of farm products amounted to \$144,962,609; sales of supplies \$12,788,192, and other revenue \$414,764, or a total business turnover of \$158,165,565.

Co-operative marketing organizations number 380, with a membership of 335,651: dairy products—136 associations with 142 places of business; 33,211 members; \$4,478,737 assets with \$868,400 reserves; total business \$12,039,618; fruits and vegetables—107 associations with 108 places of business; 10,210 members; \$3,926,958 assets with \$754,301 reserves; total business \$8,975,171; grain and seed (including western pools)—30 associations with 2,128 places of business; 191,635 members; \$67,727,047 assets with \$37,836,404 reserves; total business \$99,612,837; livestock—59 associations with 142 places of business; 35,544 members; \$796,632 assets with \$106,980 reserves; total business \$8,264,035; poultry—31 associations with 254 places of business; 34,458 members; \$445,293 assets with \$198,644 reserves; total business \$2,161,647; honey—2 associations with 2 places of business; 1,828 members; \$157,140 assets with \$7,067 reserves; total business \$212,096; maple sugar—1 association with 1 place of business; 1,982 members; \$340,683 assets with \$126,015 reserves; total business \$452,948; tobacco—5 associations with 5 places of business; 953 members; \$422,494 assets with \$282,285 reserves; total business \$425,059; Wool—1 association with 19 places of business; 2,104 members, \$323,879 assets with \$159,582 reserves; total business \$818,789; Fur—2 associations with 2 places of business; 930 members; \$30,274 assets with \$29,334 reserves; total business \$1,462,761; miscellaneous—6 associations with 17 places of business; 22,796 members; \$3,456,459 assets with \$326,530 reserves; total business \$15,061,516.

Farmers' business organizations engaged in the purchasing of supplies and merchandise on the co-operative plan, number 378 associations with 423 places of business; 30,012 members; \$3,517,657 assets with \$1,403,652 reserves; total business \$8,420,153; miscellaneous (purchasing)—23 associations with 23 places of business; 1,222 members; \$128,648 assets with \$33,361 reserves; total business \$258,935. Total business for all organizations—\$158,165,565.