

FRIDAY, MARCH 31,

HINTS THAT SPEAKER IS ASKED TO OPPOSE U.F.O. ON DAIRY ACT

**W. H. Casselman, U. F. O.
Member, Leads Strong
Attack on Hon. M.
Doherty's Bill—Fails to
Rally Farmers to Sup-
port of Cheesemakers**

DIVISION OF HOUSE KILLS HIS MOTION

All afternoon and part of the evening the Ontario Legislature yesterday wrestled with the resolution of W. H. Casselman, U.F.O. member for Dundas, calling for the indefinite suspension of the Dairy Standards Act. When the division came, about 9 o'clock at night, the count was 60 to 14 against Mr. Casselman.

Despite all predictions of a Farmer attack in force upon the measure, which is regarded in some quarters as onerous and involving considerable expenditure on the part of dairymen, Mr. Casselman found just two supporters among the U.F.O. ranks, H. K. Denyes, East Hastings, who seconded the resolution, and a single recruit, H. McCreary, member for Lanark North.

Support From Other Side.

The bulk of his support came from the other side of the House, where among the Conservatives he found supporters in C. H. Buckland, South Wellington; A. W. Gray, Leeds; W. H. Ireland, West Hastings, and W. T. Allan, West Simcoe. Liberals voting with Mr. Casselman were: J. C. Tolmie, Windsor; R. L. Brackin, K.C., West Kent; F. Rennie, South Bruce; J. M. Govenlock, Centre Huron, and J. A. Pinard, Ottawa East. Messrs. MacBride, South Brant, and Halcrow, Hamilton, also voted for the resolution.

There were three pairs announced by the Government Whip, three Conservatives voting for the resolution and three U.F.O. members against it—Messrs. Sandy and Hill, Crockett and Ferguson, Sewell and Lewis.

Mr. Casselman made a valiant fight on behalf of his resolution, and on behalf of the eastern dairymen expressed some vigorous sentiments toward it. It was a crime, he thought, that unwilling dairy producers should have such legislation, calling for payment on a basis of butter-fat content and pasteurization, forced upon them.

Ask Speaker to Resign?

After making the rather plain intimation that the temper of the eastern farmers was such that they might not live up to the provisions of the act in any event, he asked the Speaker the unanswered question if it were not correct that the farmers of Prince Edward county had not asked the Hon. Mr. Parliament to resign his position and oppose the Government on the issue.

Hon. Manning Doherty, Minister of Agriculture, defended his act in the debate, declaring it to be absolutely in the interests of the dairy-industry.

In opening the discussion, Mr. Casselman credited the Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Manning Doherty, with "sincerity, enthusiasm and zeal." His sincerity found favor with Mr. Casselman, but he thought a man's zeal sometimes carried him too far, and in his opinion the Dairy Standards Act was one such instance.

"I have exhausted every means at my disposal," he told the House, "to induce the Minister to volunteer to stay the operation of certain provisions of the Dairy Standards Act, but without avail. Upon the question which is the subject of this resolution I find myself in disagreement with the Minister."

When the original Dairy Standards Act of 1916 went into effect, providing that milk and cream should be paid for on a basis of its butter-fat content, "among those who most vigorously protested was a certain very wide-awake and clever man, who at that time was known by the