

WAR MEASURES BILL

UP IN THE SENATE

Senators Davis and Watson Consider Bill Too Lenient.

Ottawa, Aug. 22.—When the War Measures Bill, dealing with offences against the safety of the state was being considered, in the Senate last night, Senator Davis and Senator Watson held that the bill was too lenient. It should provide that any person who left Canada to fight against Britain should have his property confiscated.

Senator Cloran said that the act should provide that any such person should be shot on returning to Canada. It should be understood that any man, woman or child, who left to fight against Britain, should not be allowed to return to Canada.

Hon. Mr. Loughheed said that the statutes provided ample punishment for the offence of treason. Death could be inflicted.

The bill appropriating \$50,000,000 for military and naval defence was put through all stages after a brief discussion. Hon. Mr. Loughheed explained that while the \$50,000,000 was being voted the government did not believe that that amount would be required.