

made against her publication. I do not believe it would add anything to our committee. That is the feeling I have. Since she would have to come from some distance, I do not feel it should be necessary to call her.

Mr. NESBITT: I think we are here to get all points of view. I have read Miss Carson's book, and I have heard the evidence here. I think that if she has some qualifications—she has obviously made a study of the thing sufficiently to direct continental-wide if not world-wide attention to this subject the committee might be doing very well in calling her. It would certainly gain some information from her if she were invited to appear before us, and if she agreed to come it would certainly draw further attention to this study. We never can tell what witnesses will provide us with additional information. The best we can do is to call the ones likely to be of help to us, and to hope for the best. I understand Miss Carson lives in New York, although I may be mistaken; and that is not very far away. Certainly one day would be adequate, and there would be no unusual expenses involved in the matter.

Mr. OTTO: Perhaps we could go to New York. That is another alternative.

Mr. BALDWIN: That is another idea. Perhaps the steering committee might consider it. I have read her book a couple of times and what struck me was not only the comments she made, but also the fact that she cited a great number of references and authorities, and it would appear at first blush that these would give more weight to statements which might otherwise not be accepted. It could be that if she were here it would be interesting to question her on the basis of the statements she has made. She referred to a number of scientific publications, tests, and experiments which she gathered from all of the world. It might be that some of her statements do not rest on a too solid foundation. But maybe they do.

I do know that she appeared before a congressional committee in the United States, and I have had a chance to read some of her evidence given there. In response to questioning she gave support to what she had written by producing certain references and authorities. That is the only aspect I think which might be useful. We all can read her book, but as to the authority of her book we might test it to ascertain whether it is accurately founded or not.

The CHAIRMAN: Is there any other discussion? If it is your wish we could take this matter up again in the steering committee, talk it over, and deal with it there.

Mr. OTTO: I move that the question of bringing the lady before the committee be referred back to the steering committee for further consideration.

Mr. BALDWIN: I would think so in view of what has been said.

The CHAIRMAN: All right. Are there any other witnesses anyone would like to consider? If there is no other discussion the meeting now stands adjourned until next Tuesday at 9.30 a.m.