

Many members of Canadian Press Association and Canadian Press, Limited, expressed opinions on the various questions on which discussion had been invited by the Postal Committee of Canadian Press Association. Some quoted figures showing the effect on their newspapers of the imposition of various rates of postage and methods of charging which it was reported in different quarters the Post Office Department has under consideration. These reports and figures emphasized the importance of prompt and united action to safeguard the interests of the members of both organizations; and of accurate and definite information on which such action could be based. The consensus of opinion was that before the Post Office Department made any change in the rates of postage on second-class matter, or in the method of charging for its transmission through the mails, its officials should conduct a searching investigation into the cost of handling this class of mail matter and submit conclusive evidence that even after full allowance for the special consideration to which newspapers are admittedly entitled, the present rate is too low.

It was the opinion of the meeting that a similar investigation should be conducted by the newspapers also. The Post Office Department would present definite facts and figures in support of its contentions and it is important that the newspapers also should secure all available data in support of their case. So it was moved by H. B. Donly, *Saskatoon Reformer*; seconded by A. E. Miller, *London Free Press*, and carried that the presidents of Canadian Press Association and Canadian Press, Limited, should commit to engage an expert or experts to conduct a thorough investigation into the cost of carrying second-class matter; such expert or experts to report the result of their investigation to this committee, which shall transmit it to the members of Canadian Press Association and Canadian Press, Limited.

The action of the Postal Committee of Canadian Press Association in arranging for an interview with the Postmaster-General was endorsed. The meeting approved of the suggestion in the report of this committee that the question of the reported re-