

Manitoba

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ANOTHER VIEW OF THE PATRIOTIC QUESTION

The following letter has been received from A. J. M. Poole, secretary of the Springhill branch:—

R. McKenzie, Winnipeg.
Dear Sir:—The Patriotic Acre idea does not take very well with the best members of our association. I do not feel at all enthusiastic over it myself. There are several objections; one is that the government might economize enough to meet all the needs for relief, but so long as the people relieve them of it they will not do so.

Then there is a suspicion that some are making a good thing out of this business of the people subscribing to patriotic schemes. Then there has been graft enough in connection with the war to meet all the needs for relief. There are people getting relief that do not need it and people who need it are not getting it. The raise in the tariff and the stamp tax has done the most towards killing the scheme here with some of us. Personally that is my chief objection. I feel that I have had the proceeds of one acre taxed out of me in this way to meet the expenses of an extravagant government and I am too hostile about it to donate the proceeds of another acre on top of it. I do not intend to donate one cent to any patriotic scheme of any description. I am for the government at Ottawa meeting all obligations in connection with the war and raising the necessary money by a direct tax on land values. I feel that just so long as the government is relieved to a considerable extent by the people's patriotism being taken advantage of it will help to prolong the time when they will not need to look for some other way of raising revenue than by the tariff. If the government was compelled thru force of circumstances to resort to a tax on land values, I think that would be one blessing from the war and I do not intend to give the proceeds of an acre to help prevent them having to do so. I feel very keenly on this matter, so much so that I cannot persuade myself to ask my neighbor to do so; somehow or other I have, as the saying is, a feeling in my bones that it is wrong. But so that no one who wishes to give the proceeds of an acre can say they did not have an opportunity, we will advertise a meeting for that purpose and any one wishing to do so can come to the meeting and the pledge will be there for them to sign.

Yours truly,

A. J. M. POOLE.

DEMAND WIDER MARKETS

At an important meeting of the executive of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, held on Saturday, Oct. 2, it was decided, on the motion of R. J. Avison and Peter Wright, to forward a memorandum to the premier, Sir Robert Borden, urging the government to take immediate steps to have the United States markets opened to Western wheat. This in view of the exorbitant freight rates to Europe and the brisk demand in the United States for Western wheat for from 5 cents to 8 cents per bushel more than at Fort William.

Arrangements were also made to commence a vigorous campaign of education among the farmers of the province along social and economic lines as soon as fall work is finished.

Memorandum to Premier

The memorandum forwarded Premier Borden respecting the marketing of the present crop of wheat is as follows:

1—At the urgent request of the Dominion government the Western farmers sowed every available acre into wheat last spring.

2—Due to the high cost of seed and feed during seeding, and the unfavorable climatic conditions during harvesting and threshing, the cost of producing is enormously increased as compared to last year.

3—The unprecedented high rates of transportation to Europe reduces the price of wheat on the farm to the farmers below cost of production, notwithstanding the very large yield.

4—The frost in August over large districts of the wheat area will result in large quantities of low grade wheat

that, due to the high cost of transportation, will scarcely pay to export to Europe.

5—The continuous wet weather since the grain was cut causes a large percentage of wheat to be shipped tough and damp and unfit for warehousing. Yesterday's inspection at Winnipeg showed over 300 cars "no grade" wheat. This tough wheat, had we the milling capacity to absorb it during the fall and winter months, would result in comparatively small loss to growers. If it has to stand the cost of drying, the loss will be excessive.

6—There is a very large market in the United States for low grade wheat for feeding and other purposes, for which we have little demand in Canada. The large mills of the United States would absorb a large quantity of our tough, damp wheat at about two cents below straight grade.

7—While the Canadian mills can use large quantities of this tough wheat during fall and winter, their capacity is limited and cannot absorb the quantity now going forward.

8—No. 1 Northern wheat is today 97½ cents in Minneapolis and 94¾ cents in store Duluth, and No. 1 Northern Manitoba 88¾ cents in store Fort William; while, at the same time, No. 1 Northern Manitoba wheat is 7 cents per bushel above No. 1 Northern Duluth wheat spot cash Liverpool, and parcels Manitoba wheat for October delivery 4 cents above Duluth same delivery, giving the dealer in Manitoba wheat an

advantage of about 11 cents over the dealer in Duluth wheat.

We, therefore, urge that you will at once take such steps as are necessary to remove the duty on wheat going into the United States so as to open the markets of the United States to the Western farmer to permit of him selling "no grade" and "low grade" wheat for domestic consumption, and also open to him American channels of transportation for exporting his wheat to Europe, thus placing the growers of our Canadian No. 1 Northern wheat on a parity with the grower of Duluth No. 1 Northern wheat on the Liverpool market.

We attach hereto the comparative prices of wheats in Liverpool and the comparative prices in Winnipeg, Duluth and Minneapolis, as reported today.

Immediate action is urgent so as to permit of tough wheat being marketed in the United States before the bulk of the wheat passes out of farmers' hands.

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