



REPORT
ON
THE GREATER HOG PRODUCTION
CONFERENCE

HELD IN

Regina and Saskatoon, Dec. 12 and 13, 1917

During the first week of November the Honourable T. A. Crerar, Dominion Minister of Agriculture, called a conference at Ottawa, inviting thereto representatives from the respective Departments of Agriculture and the various farmers' organisations of the four western provinces. This meeting was addressed by the Food Controller, Hon. Mr. Hanna, and the information given—information which it is deemed inadvisable to give to the press for publication—left no doubt in the minds of the delegates as to the urgent, extreme necessity for greater hog production, and the following resolution, pledging their support, was passed unanimously:

"We, the representatives of the swine growers of the four western provinces of the Dominion of Canada, believe that it is the duty of every farmer and stock grower in this Dominion to produce food stuffs, especially pork, to the utmost of their ability in order to sustain the armies of the allied countries and to prevent as far as possible suffering among the peoples of these countries.

"And while we believe that the greatest amount of production would be secured if some kind of guarantee as to prices could be given to the producer by the government we disclaim any intention of making such guarantee a condition of our co-operation in this matter.

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that we do hereby pledge our hearty co-operation in every effort having for its object the securing of an increase in the world's meat supply.

"That we will do all that is in our power to impress upon the producers of our representative districts the seriousness of the present shortage in food stuffs and to imbue each of them with a sense of his duty and responsibility in this connection."