

be most detrimental to the best interests of the Canadian people;

"Therefore, the Council urges upon the Dominion Government in the strongest possible manner that the oil deposits of Alberta and other parts of Canada be held as the property of the Government in perpetuity, that the Government undertake the cost of developing these great natural resources for the benefit of the consuming public, and that if any of these properties be leased to private interests that the leases should be granted only after full publicity has been given to the proposals under consideration and then only for short terms, and after the rights of the public have been fully protected under such leases;

"And further, this Council would request the Government to supply full information regarding any concessions that have already been granted in connection with these oil deposits, if there be any such."

Tariff

Naturally the tariff came in for a considerable discussion, and the following two other resolutions were sent to the Dominion Government on this matter:

"The Canadian Council of Agriculture here assembled, urges the Dominion Government during the present session of parliament, to incorporate in its financial proposals for the rehabilitation of Canada, following the expenditure of the economic power of the country during the war, provision for the removal of the 7½ per cent. war tax, and a substantial reduction in the present protective tariff as set forth in the Farmers' Platform, believing that no fiscal policy of reconstruction will be complete which does not seriously and specifically aim at adjusting the unfair burden of taxation upon the consuming and producing classes of Canada, developed out of the existing system of raising federal revenue by indirect taxation."

"That in view of the importance of immediate action being taken by the Dominion Government to make substantial reductions in the existing tariff, along lines laid down in the Farmers' National Platform, and having in mind the tendency of past Governments to shelve definite action in matters of this kind by referring their consideration to commissions of one kind and another;

"Be it resolved that this Council is unalterably opposed to any action being taken by the Dominion Government, the effect of which will be to enable the Government to postpone action indefinitely in this matter, in which we believe the Government should be prepared to take immediate action and to assume full responsibility therefor."

Daylight Saving.

Other resolutions:

"Whereas the parliament of Canada, representing the people of Canada as a whole, including those resident in both urban and the rural municipalities, has given official expression to the overwhelming objection of the people of Canada to the re-enactment of the Daylight Saving regulations;

"And whereas the action of the Railway War Board in ignoring the resolution of parliament by requiring the railway companies of Canada to advance their time tables one hour to agree with the time tables of the United States' roads in effect, constitutes a defiance of the expressed wish of parliament and of the majority of the people of Canada, and has created great confusion throughout the Dominion, and virtually compelled many municipalities to adopt Daylight Saving regulations to the great inconvenience and disadvantage of other classes in the community;

"Be it resolved that the Canadian Council of Agriculture in session to-day, on behalf of the organized farmers of Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, numbering more than 100,000 members, desire to enter the strongest possible protest against allowing the railways of Canada to thus set at naught the expressed desire of the parliament and people of Canada, and would urge upon our representatives in parliament the necessity for taking immediate action to have the Government of Canada take such steps as may be required if necessary, to compel the Railway War Board to rescind its order, and thereby ensure the railways of Canada being operated

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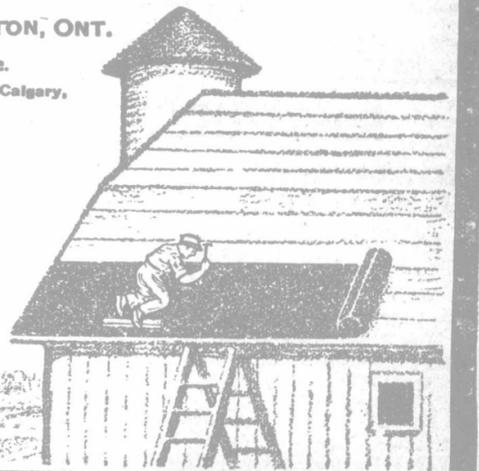
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