

that was grade No. 1 C, and turned over the balance of the wheat to the mills on receipt of the orders from the Wheat Board.

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any other members of the Committee wish to ask any questions of Mr. Riddell?

Mr. McMASTER: I think he has been on the chair long enough.

The CHAIRMAN: On behalf of the Committee I have much pleasure in thanking Mr. Riddell.

The WITNESS: I thank you gentlemen also, for the patient hearing you have given me.

The CHAIRMAN: I have a telegram from Mr. W. T. Moore, whom Mr. Duncan suggested would be an interesting witness. He was written to last week asking him if he could come down to-day or to-morrow. He replies:

"Letter received thanks. Impossible to be in Ottawa this week. Ontario Millers under old Wheat Board did not get fair deal. If Western Farmers must sell wheat early, and wish to speculate, the option market is open to them same as to millers, and grain dealers. Should be no objection to each province forming voluntary pool, but Federal Government should keep out of it.

(Sgd.) W. T. Moore.

Mr. JOHNSON (Moosejaw): Mr. Chairman, it would appear to me that if we have no other witnesses we should have a concrete proposal before us, something we can discuss in a very definite way. Unless somebody else has a resolution which they wish to put forward I would like to submit one. It may be accepted, it may be amended, or it may be entirely rejected, but I believe in being specific, and I have carefully drafted a resolution. Of course, it is along the line of accepting the things which we wish. That does not mean that this Committee is obligated to accept it. In that connection I would move—I do not know who will second it—without preamble:

"1. It is desirable in the national interests that the Government immediately create a National Wheat marketing agency similar to the Canada Wheat Board of 1919, for the marketing of the wheat crop of 1922, and that

2. This agency be given all the powers of the Wheat Board of 1919 as are within the jurisdiction of Parliament to grant, and that

3. An Act be passed, based on this Resolution, to become effective by Proclamation, as soon as two or more of the Provinces have conferred upon this agency such powers possessed by the Wheat Board of 1919 as come within provincial jurisdiction."

My idea in presenting this to-day is that the Committee may have it before them for a day or two to discuss it.

Mr. PRITCHARD: I second the motion.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard the motion, moved by Mr. Johnson, and seconded by Mr. Pritchard.

The Hon. Mr. MOTHERWELL: Not that it be carried, but that it be made the subject of discussion.

The CHAIRMAN: The procedure is that this Resolution shall be laid upon the table until our next meeting.

Mr. McCONICA: In order that it be discussed at the next regular meeting.

The Hon. Mr. MOTHERWELL: Yes.

The CHAIRMAN: The Committee will stand adjourned to meet on Thursday next at 11 o'clock.

The Committee adjourned at 5.45 o'clock p.m., until Thursday, May 11, 1922 at 11 o'clock a.m.