

certain safeguards. Aside from that the troubles that beset the dairy industry beset the agricultural industry as a whole, and I see very few signs that the nature of those troubles is being recognized, or that adequate steps are being taken towards betterment. Given time they will automatically be corrected, but they might be corrected with comfort and profit to all concerned within a few years.

Q. Do you not think that possibly we are working towards a condition where even production and sale and competition will have to be supervised? We may not like Government interference, but it may be absolutely necessary.—A. I am afraid it may be so. If so, conditions will break down, and we will proceed with the inevitable adjustment after a still more painful interlude. I should regret to see it very much.

Q. So should I, but it looks as if it might be necessary in regard to the raising of wheat and hogs. If we were to rush into hog production we would have more hogs than there would be any market for.—A. Quite; then we would rush out again.

*By Hon. Mr. Gillis:*

Q. That would increase the cost of milk and cream?—A. Perhaps it would not be as costly as the supervision would be.

*By Hon. Mr. Horner:*

Q. Are they not getting along with supervision in regard to hogs in Denmark?—A. Yes. They were close to an available market, and were astute enough to be the first in it, and to use every means open to an intelligent people. Now they find themselves in almost as great economic difficulties as we do, and further planning on their part will not avail to keep the market they now have, much less to increase it.

Q. But naturally they have a small acreage of land per farmer. In Canada we have every natural advantage, and an immense wealth of land. There they have to tether their cattle with chains to keep them from tramping the pasture. They have a strict code with regard to the selling of hogs. Each farmer can sell only so many, I undersand.

Hon. Mr. BURNS: That is of late years only.

The WITNESS: If you replace in the statement which you make the word "necessary" with the word "probable" I will subscribe to it. You said a further extension of control was necessary. I say it is probable. I do not say it is necessary.

*By Hon. Mr. Horner:*

Q. You don't believe it is necessary?—A. No, sir. I believe we will get into a tenfold worse jam than we are in now by trying. I believe markets and prices are there. You cannot make either, but you can use both.

*By Hon. Mr. Horner:*

Q. Take two men in the manufacturing industry: they may have to curtail or get together. Two farmers similarly situated each have an equal right to produce a certain number of cows and sell the milk. One man goes in and hogs the whole proposition. All the other farmers are entitled to make a living, but if they all go in together they would ruin the market, and eventually have a production for which there was no consumption. That is why I ask if you do not think it may be necessary.—A. No, I do not think so, sir. I think that goes back to the question of opinion as to whether there is or is not world over-production of food stuffs.