

grain but no satisfactory relief has so far been secured, protecting the grain growers in the Northwest and the losses that they have, and are, sustaining in consequence of such system of grading, and

WHEREAS, the failure to secure relief from the evils complained of has aggravated this feeling of discontent and dissatisfaction and at this time it is stronger than at any time in the past and the people are insistently demanding relief from the present system of grain grading and the present system of marketing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that there be appointed a commission to consist of three members of the Senate, to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor, and four members of the House, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, who shall have authority to invite conference with a similar commission from the legislatures of the States of North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana to convene at the City of St. Paul at the earliest date possible to investigate and make findings of facts as to the true cause which gave rise to the present state of dissatisfaction and discontent with our present grain grades and to report recommendations to the legislatures of their respective states and to Congress and the Secretary of Agriculture and to further investigate and report recommendations as to the passage of such laws as may be deemed advisable to assist in bringing about necessary changes to improve our present system of marketing farm products and to report their recommendations with reference thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said committee, (the appointment of which is hereby authorized) be and they are hereby empowered to make all necessary investigation, with reference to the subjects named, to examine witnesses and records to such extent as may be deemed necessary to find and report the facts bearing upon the evils connected with our present system of grain grading and grain marketing and to make findings and report recommendations with a view to securing legislation furnishing relief, so far as possible, from the conditions complained of and supplying the producer better terminal marketing facilities.

Approved February 21, 1923.

RESOLUTION No. 8.

A concurrent resolution requesting Congress to provide additional buildings and facilities at the Federal Lepper Hospital in Carville, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, The federal hospital for lepers at Carville, Louisiana, is already full to capacity and no more applicants can be received until additional accommodations are provided; and

WHEREAS, There are at present one hundred twenty lepers on

the waiting list, one or more each from twenty-one different states, and thirteen of this one hundred twenty being lepers living in the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The United States Senate has appropriated \$650,000 for additional buildings and equipment for said federal hospital, and it now waits for the House of Representatives to concur in said appropriation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that the House of Representatives of the United States Congress be and the same hereby is requested and urged to concur in the Senate bill appropriating moneys to enlarge said Federal Leper Hospital;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, and to each representative of the State of Minnesota in the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

Approved March 5, 1923.

RESOLUTION No. 9.

A joint resolution providing for an inquiry into all the practices, methods and activities of the chambers of commerce, boards of trade, grain exchanges and other public grain marketing agencies and the grain trade generally and of the members thereof in connection with the buying and selling of grain in this state and to authorize and direct the employment of the necessary assistants therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate and House of Representatives of Minnesota that the railroad and warehouse commission be and it is hereby authorized and directed forthwith to conduct a thorough and complete inquiry into all the practices, methods and activities of the Chambers of Commerce, Boards of Trade and Grain Exchanges, and other public marketing agencies, and of the grain trade generally, and of the members thereof in connection with the buying and selling of grain in this state and report its doings and findings in connection with such inquiry to the next session of the Legislature; and that the railroad and warehouse commission be and is hereby authorized and directed to employ such assistants as may be necessary and required for such inquiry, the expense thereof to be paid from the grain inspection fund of the commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in making such inquiry the commission shall have the power to issue process and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, records and papers and to examine and compel witnesses to answer under oath.

Approved March 26, 1923.