

WHEREAS, A much smaller percentage of the 1917 crop has been marketed up to the present time than in other years at the same time due to the shortage of shipping facilities, and

WHEREAS, The consumption of potatoes has become very limited due to the smaller quantity shipped and also due to the consumer having become educated to substitute other foods to such an extent that the furnishing of cars alone would not furnish the necessary relief, and

WHEREAS, Millions of bushels of potatoes are being fed to stock and also many millions of bushels will not be consumed in any form under present conditions and at a time when it is most needed to conserve other food products, and

WHEREAS, The potato growing farmers of this state will not and cannot be expected to continue raising potatoes when no opportunity is given them to dispose of same. Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That the state council of defense be directed to at once establish potato distributing centers in this state and to take all other action so that 1917 potato crop of this state may be properly disposed of in justice to the producer and consumer. And be it

*Resolved,* That the food administration of the United States be respectfully requested to do for the potato growers of the country generally the things herein directed to be done by the state council of defense, and be it further

*Resolved,* That a copy of this resolution be at once forwarded to the state council of defense and to the food administration at Washington, D. C.

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[Jt. Res. No. 9, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3.

Memorializing the congress of the United States and Honorable Herbert Hoover to investigate into the situation confronting dairy farmers and to take the necessary steps to remedy such situation.

WHEREAS, The conditions confronting the dairy farmers of this state who are producing milk for sale as commercial milk in cities of this and adjoining states and to condensaries is of a grave and serious nature due especially to the unusually high cost of feed, labor and other elements that enter into the cost of producing milk and to the prices that have been fixed for such milk by official commissions created therefor, which prices

the farmers themselves and others eminently qualified to testify declare are below the actual cost of production; and

WHEREAS, Both the producer and consumer must suffer if these conditions are not remedied; for under the operation of nature's law the producer cannot continue as such at a loss, and, if he cannot produce, it follows that the supply for consumption must decrease. Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That the congress of the United States and Honorable Herbert Hoover, national food administrator, be and they are hereby respectfully memorialized to fully investigate into the situation hereinbefore referred to and to take such steps as soon as may be possible to protect Wisconsin's greatest industry, namely, the dairy industry, by adjusting so far as may be possible the costs of feeds, the principal element entering into the cost of producing milk, and the prices that have been fixed as above stated, with a view to benefiting both consumer and producer of milk and to protecting Wisconsin's most important industry Be it further

*Resolved,* That the chief clerk of the assembly be and he is hereby directed to forthwith forward a suitably engrossed copy of these resolutions to the president of the United States senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and to Honorable Herbert Hoover at Washington, D. C.

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[Jt. Res. No. 10, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4.

Relating to excess profits and war revenues.

WHEREAS, Industrial conditions in Wisconsin and throughout the United States have been fundamentally disturbed by the great world war; and

WHEREAS, Increased revenues must be raised with which to meet expenditures occasioned by the war; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That we denounce as unpatriotic any effort to make undue profits out of the necessities of the people or the government, and we heartily commend those business men who have undertaken government contracts on a cost basis asking only those reasonable returns to which they are entitled in times of peace; And be it further

*Resolved,* That we call upon congress to impose during the war such an increase in taxes on incomes, inheritances and