

CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL

Minutes
Ninth Annual Meeting



SASKATOON, 1948

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Minutes

Ninth Annual Meeting

Saskatoon

Monday November 1st. 9:00 A.M.

Present: Members--Kowalski, Pugh, Colquhoun, le Maistre, Garland, Habing, Nicholson, Turnbull, Heighway, Deschenes, Paradis, Allen.
Visitors: K. E. Baines, Tisdale, E. Braun, Paul Clement, C.B. Gooderham, J.E. Bradley, Food Brokers' Association, Edmonton, H. Jones, E.C. Martin, Dr. H. Katznelson, F. R. Armstrong, T. H. Shield.

The President F. R. Garland welcomed Council members and visitors and instructed the secretary W. G. le Maistre to present the Minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved by W. G. le Maistre, seconded by P. C. Colquhoun:

1. WHEREAS these minutes have been in the hands of members for the past several months,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the 1947 annual meeting be adopted without reading.

Carried.

President F.R. Garland presented his report. (Appendix 1)

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Habing:

2. Resolved that the report of President F. R. Garland be accepted and included in the minutes.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Turnbull:

3. Resolved that the report of the secretary be accepted (Appendix 2).

Carried.

Moved by le Maistre, seconded by Paradis:

4. Resolved that the interim financial statement as presented by the secretary be accepted. (Appendix 3).

Carried.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Heighway:

5. Resolved that the secretary be asked to read the financial statement for the year ending January 31, 1948.

Carried

Moved by Turnbull, seconded by Paradis:

6. Resolved that the audited financial statement for the year ending January 31, 1948, be adopted. (Appendix 4).

Carried.

Moved by Nicholson, seconded by Heighway:

7. Resolved that the agenda, as presented by the secretary, be adopted.

Carried.

Moved by Dechenes, seconded by Turnbull:

8. Resolved that R. M. Pugh be appointed press and publicity representative for this meeting.

Carried.

S.M. Deschenes, chairman of the Queen Bee Transportation Committee, presented the report of his committee on queens.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Allen:

9. Resolved that the report of the Committee on Transportation of Queen Bees by air be accepted. (Appendix 5).

Carried.

T. H. Shield, presented Export Committee Report. (Appendix 6).

Moved by Colquhoun, seconded by Kowalski:

10. Resolved that the report of the Export Committee be accepted.

Carried.

Discussion on this report brought out the following points: imports into Canada amounted to approximately 2,000,000 pounds, mostly of non-table honey. No importation since November 1947.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Colquhoun:

11. WHEREAS this Council believes an export market for Canadian honey is of great importance to beekeepers of Canada, and

WHEREAS people in other countries would be glad to be able to obtain Canadian honey

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Messrs. Shield, Pugh and Townsend be appointed as an export committee, with power to add to their number, with the view of further investigating the possibilities of the export trade especially that of consumer packed honey.

CARRIED

Moved by Colquhoun, seconded by Deschenes:

12. WHEREAS Norman Dymont, of Smithville, Ontario was suddenly taken ill and confined to his room, and

WHEREAS we feel that the great amount of work he has been required to do for Council was a contributing factor

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members send him and Mrs. Dymont a bouquet of flowers with our heartfelt sympathies and wishes for speedy recovery.

CARRIED.

P. C. Colquhoun thereupon collected from those in attendance for this purpose.

Moved by Paradis, that the meeting adjourn until 1.30 p.m.

Monday, November 1st,

1.30 P.M.

Members--Paradis, Allen, Kowalski, Pugh, Colquhoun, Deschenes, Garland, le Maistre, Habing, Nicholson, Turnbull, Highway.
Visitors--Shield, Gooderham, Martin, Baines, Jones, Braun, Bradley, Paul Clement, J. Grand, Markets Branch Representative, Saskatoon.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Habing:

13. Resolved that the report of the marketing information committee be adopted. (Appendix 7).

Carried.

Moved by Turnbull, seconded by Paradis:

14. WHEREAS as a uniform and reliable system of obtaining and distributing information on the honey crop and storage stocks has been instituted.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the marketing information committee be thanked for its report and be discharged.

Carried.

S. M. Deschenes, Vice President, took the chair. F. R. Garland Chairman of the Floor Prices Committee presented his report (Appendix 8).

Moved by Garland, seconded by Allen

15. Resolved that the report of the Floor Prices Committee be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Garland, seconded by Nicholson:

16. WHEREAS a floor price for honey is necessary and justified, as explained in copy of brief contained in Appendix 8

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council approve of the application made for the establishment of a floor price on honey. Carried.

Moved by Garland, seconded by Colquhoun:

17. WHEREAS the Prices Support Board was not willing to establish a floor price on honey at the time application was made and

WHEREAS further deterioration in the honey market is evident

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council continue, renew and expand its request for the immediate establishment of a reasonable floor price for honey.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Nicholson:

18. Resolved that the present committee of Messrs. Garland, le Maistre, Pugh, Turnbull, Shield, Dymont, and Deschenes on floor prices be continued. Carried.

Jim Grant, Honey Inspector from Saskatoon, was introduced by Mr. Armstrong.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Kowalski:

19. Resolved that the report of the Income Tax Committee be accepted (Appendix 9). Carried.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Allen:

20. WHEREAS the information contained in this report is of great importance to beekeepers and

WHEREAS there are several items to be taken under consideration, and

WHEREAS the Income tax officials are prepared to recommend that this schedule here presented be adopted.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this report be typed and distributed to all members so that it may be given further consideration later in this meeting.

Carried.

Publicity Committee report read by Habing (Appendix 10)

Moved by Habing, Seconded by Kowalski:

21. Resolved that the report of the Publicity Committee be accepted.

Carried.

Moved by Habing, seconded by Kowalski:

22. Resolved that the following recommendations of the Publicity Committee be adopted in the publicizing of Council:

that an energetic publicity campaign be carried on through the use of the press, bee-journals, circular letters, beekeepers' meetings, and the farm radio broadcasts;

that container manufacturers and bee supply dealers be asked to continue circularizing Council literature such as pamphlets, provide printed space on their catalogues and price lists, or any other form of Council advertising that may be submitted to them;

that the Publicity Committee be responsible for the compiling and sending out of a suitable pocket size pamphlet giving an outline of the policies, objectives, and achievements of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council;

That provincial beekeepers' associations be requested to allow space on the back of their convention programmes for a summary of Council activities; and further,

that if recipe cook books are printed for distribution to beekeepers, space on the fly-leaf be used for publicizing the work of Council.

Carried.

Adjournment until 9 a.m. was moved by Colquhoun.

November 2, 9 a.m.

Members--Paradis, Kowalski, Pugh, Colquhoun, Deschenes, Garland, le Maistre, Habing, Nicholson, Turnbull, Heighway, Allen.
Visitors--Jones, Shield, Dr. Katznelson, Braun, Baines, Gooderham, Martin, Armstrong, Mr. A. A. Shelly, Saskatoon, Wholesale Grocers Association, J.E. Bradley, Hon. I.C. Nollett, Minister of Agriculture.

Moved by Habing, seconded by Heighway:

23. WHEREAS certain limitations were placed on the use that could be made of a Council sticker and symbol and

WHEREAS no estimate of its cost was immediately available, and

WHEREAS it was desirable to adopt the other recommendations of the Publicity Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the recommendation for an investigation into cost of a sticker and

devising a symbol for the Council be rescinded and two new resolutions be introduced in its stead.
Carried.

Discussion on the sticker and symbol took place without a vote being taken.

Moved by Turnbull, seconded by Nicholson:

24. WHEREAS certain members were not familiar with the methods by which Council had been financed in the past, and

WHEREAS information was asked respecting the amounts of contributions by provinces, and

WHEREAS the allocation of funds for Council's activities depended on its present financial position.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a committee be appointed to prepare a resume of Council past and present financing. Carried.

Moved by Nicholson, seconded by Paradis:

25. Resolved that the chairman appoint the committee on Council financing. Carried.

Chair appointed le Maistre and Pugh. Approved.

H. C. Allen gave the report on Sugar Tax as follows: We the committee on the sugar tax are pleased to report that the excise tax on sugar has been rescinded.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Colquhoun:

26. Resolved that the report of the Sugar Tax Committee be accepted and the committee discharged. Carried.

The report of the Research Committee was given by E. Braun. (Appendix 11).

Moved by Colquhoun, seconded by Turnbull:

27. Resolved that the report of the Research Committee be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Turnbull, seconded by Allen:

28. Resolved that Council adopt the recommendations of the Research Committee as contained in their report. Carried.

With respect to Section 6 of the Research Committee report on scholarships, Mr. H. Jones, Bedford, Quebec, offered the committee \$100.00 for this purpose.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Allen:

29. Resolved that the Research Committee consider the possibility of using radio activity studies in its beekeeping research. Carried.

Hon. Mr. I. C. Nollet, Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan was introduced to the Council by R.M. Pugh.

T. H. Shield gave the report on Honey Competitions. (Appendix 12).

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Allen:

30. Resolved that the recommendations contained in the report of the committee on honey competitions be accepted.

Carried.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Paradis:

31. Resolved that the present championship class at the Royal Winter Fair be limited to light extracted honey.

Carried.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Kowalski:

32. WHEREAS there is ample suitable space provided at the Canadian National Exhibition for exhibiting honey, and

WHEREAS only a few beekeepers are now availing themselves of this opportunity

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council should solicit the Provincial Apiarists or Associations to encourage the sending of honey entries to the Canadian National Exhibition as they are now doing for the Royal Winter Fair; and further, that the secretary of the Council write Mr. Sam Foster, Agricultural Manager of Canadian National Exhibition to send each Provincial Apiarist a 1949 prize list as soon as they are available.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Habing:

33. WHEREAS honey exhibits and competitions stimulate public interest

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council request all provincial Apiarists to write the secretaries of Fair boards in his province to include honey competitions as may be suggested by the Provincial Apiarists in the prize lists or catalogues of all class A, B and C Fairs.

Carried.

Moved by Colquhoun, seconded by Deschenes:

34. Resolved that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council suggest to the Royal Winter Fair Board the reappointment of Messrs. Pugh, Martin and Shield as the Council representatives on their honey committee as a closer tie-up for mutual co-operation.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Heighway:

35. WHEREAS in some classes there are a great many entries to be judged and

WHEREAS it requires considerable time to truly assess the quality of an entry of honey

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council suggest to the Canadian National Exhibition and Royal Winter Fair authorities that two judges be appointed and one assistant for the honey competitions at these shows.

Carried.

Council and visitors then adjourned to luncheon at the invitation of Hon I. C. Nollet, Minister of Agriculture for Saskatoon.

November 2, 2 P.M.

Members--Paradis, Allen, Kowalski, Garland, le Maistre, Habing, Nicholson, Turnbull, Heighway, Colquhoun, Pugh, Deschenes, Dymont.
Visitors--I.C. Nollet, Shelly, Braun, Bradley, Martin, Jones, Armstrong, Gooderham, Shield, Bland, Teece, Dr. Katznelson.

Moved by Heighway, seconded by Kowalski:

36. Resolved that the report of the Marketing Legislation Committee be accepted. (Appendix 13).
Carried.

Moved by Heighway, seconded by Habing:

37. WHEREAS the Canadian Beekeepers' Council are desirous of having Dominion marketing legislation enacted, and

WHEREAS other groups of Canadian farmers have made requests that such legislation be enacted

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council endorse the resolution of the B.C.F.G.A. as passed at a public meeting held in Kelowna, B.C., on May 17th, 1948, the full text of which is contained in the report of your committee on Marketing Legislation and which has just been accepted.

Carried.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Allen:

38. Resolved that the report of the Grading Committee be accepted. (Appendix 14).

Carried.

Moved by Nicholson, seconded by Habing:

39. Resolved that recommendations 1, 2, and 3 of part 1 of the report of the Grading Committee be adopted.

Carried.

Discussions re changes in regulations concerning moisture content of No. 1 honey.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Turnbull:

40. Resolved that the matter be tabled for re-consideration later at Council meeting.

Carried.

Mr. Paul Clement, Western Supervisor, Honey Inspection, Marketing Service Dominion Department of Agriculture, was introduced.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Colquhoun:

41. Resolved that the recommendations of the grading committee made at the 1947 Council meeting be repeated. See Grading Committee Report Part two. (Appendix 14).

Carried.

The Chairman requested that the Grading Committee bring in a further report during this meeting.

Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Pugh:

42. WHEREAS this tax schedule (Appendix 9) is a summary of points of agreement between the Council and the Income Tax Branch and gives beekeepers an

approved basis for filling out their tax forms and assures them of more speedy clearance of their income taxes

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve this schedule and request formal acceptance by Income Tax Branch.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Paradis:

43. Resolved that the report of the Advertising Committee be accepted. (Appendix 15).

Carried.

Moved by Dymont, seconded by Kowalski:

44. WHEREAS the Consumer Service, Department of Agriculture Ottawa is equipped to provide the housewife with reliable information on uses of honey and

WHEREAS honey is now readily available to all buyers at reasonable prices, and

WHEREAS the sale of honey should be stimulated if the industry is to maintain a healthy position.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Miss L. Pepper of Consumer Service, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, be addressed and asked to promote the greater use of honey.

Carried.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Nicholson:

45. Resolved that the matter of printing 50,000 recipe books be tabled.

Carried.

Kowalski moved adjournment.

November 3, 9 A.M.

Members- Paradis, Allen, Kowalski, Pugh, Colquhoun, Deschenes, Dymont, Garland, le Maistre, Habing, Turnbull, Heighway, Nicholson. Visitors - Martin, Gooderham, Shelly, Jones, Braun, Armstrong, K. Larkin, Perga Containers Limited, Shield, Bland, Baxter.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by le Maistre:

46. Resolved that the report of the Container Levy Committee be accepted. (Appendix 16).

Carried.

Moved by Pugh, seconded by Heighway:

47. WHEREAS many beekeepers would willingly have paid the levy on honey containers purchased had they been sure other beekeepers were also paying it, and

WHEREAS both the Saskatchewan and Manitoba, provincial associations voted whole heartedly in support of having the levy compulsory, and

WHEREAS Ontario has a compulsory levy in operation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council should, by some means introduce a system of uniform compulsory levy collections throughout Canada at the earliest possible opportunity.

Carried.

Mr. K. E. Larkin, Perga Containers Limited, was introduced to the members.

Mr. Baxter, Manufacturer of sugar syrup, was introduced by Mr. Gooderham.

Moved by le Maistre, seconded by Pugh:

48. Resolved that the report of the Committee on Present Financial Position and Background of Contributions by Provinces be accepted. (Appendix 17). Carried.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Paradis:

49. That the Canadian Beekeepers' Council appoint a committee to deal with the container manufacturers in view of getting them to collect a levy on honey containers that will bring to the Council a revenue approximately equal to 1/5¢ per pound for all honey packed. All money collected by the container manufacturers to be turned over to the treasurer of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council to be used exclusively for advertising honey and financing the Canadian Beekeepers' Council. Carried.

November 3, 1.30 p.m.

Members--Paradis, Kowalski, Pugh, Colquhoun, Deschenes, Dymont, Garland, le Maistre, Habing, Nicholson, Turnbull, Heighway, Allen.
Visitors--Shelly, Shield, Martin, Armstrong, Larkin, Gooderham, Bland, Braun, Jones.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Kowalski:

50. Resolved that the Council appoint a Container Levy Committee consisting of Messrs. Pugh, Dymont, and Garland. Carried.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Allen:

51. WHEREAS the Council's financial position was such that insufficient funds were available for it to undertake an advertising campaign on its own, and,

WHEREAS a campaign in conjunction with the Dominion Department of Agriculture was likely to be of great benefit in promoting sales of honey,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative arrangement with the Department of Agriculture and the Canadian Beekeepers' Council (Appendix 15) for an approximate expenditure of \$6,000. each for advertising commencing about January 15 be confirmed.

CARRIED.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Deschenes:

52. WHEREAS the initial expenditure on the advertising campaign is limited to \$12,000 and

WHEREAS results obtained may suggest further expenditures be made and

WHEREAS the Department would have an opportunity to include estimates for this purpose in a new appropriation, and

WHEREAS more funds may become available to the Council later in the winter

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we authorize the incoming executive to continue the co-operating advertising scheme if the money is available. Further, if the co-operating scheme can not be continued, that the executive be authorized to use available funds for advertising honey in such a manner as they feel justified.

Carried.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Allen:

53. Resolved that the Council proceed with the printing of 50,000 copies, at approximately 6¢ each, of the second copyright recipe book on the basis that member organizations will purchase at least 40,000 copies for distribution in their areas, and that the members present make tentative commitments so that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council will not be financially involved to any extent.

Further report of grading committee given by Martin:

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Kowalski:

54. WHEREAS there is experimental evidence that honeys of over 17.1% moisture are subject to fermentation, and

WHEREAS our present grade No.1 moisture content was arbitrarily set at 17.8% and

WHEREAS the Council feels that our first grade honey should be entirely safe from fermentation over a normal marketing period of 12 months, and

WHEREAS the Council feels that there is some possibility that the experimental work done to date may be inconclusive from a commercial standpoint

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the original experimental work be carefully reviewed and that further evidence from experimental work and from observations from the Provincial and Dominion Departments of Agriculture be compiled and that provincial associations be requested to give careful consideration to the possible necessity of reduced water content requirements for grades No. 1 and 2.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Habing:

55. WHEREAS grade requirements for No. 2 and No. 3 honey allow a tolerance for foreign material and,

WHEREAS Council does not approve of tolerance for foreign material in any grade of honey

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the words "fairly free" be changed to "free" in the grade requirements for No.2 and No. 3 honey.

CARRIED.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Dymont:

56. Resolved that the Export Committee be reappointed to continue their efforts through Government officials in Ottawa in the opening of the export market for both bulk and consumer packed honey.

Carried.

Moved by Dymont, seconded by Heighway:

57. Resolved that the report of the Bylaws Committee be accepted and referred to an incoming committee for consideration and brought back to next annual meeting. (Appendix 18).

Carried.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Dymont:

58. Resolved that we proceed to the election of our officers for the next year with the understanding that the present executive stay in office until the present general meeting of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council be adjourned.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Turnbull:

59. Resolved that Mr. Martin be the presiding officer for the election.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Heighway:

60. Resolved that nominations be made verbally from the floor.

Carried.

Mr. Jones and Mr. Braun were appointed scrutineers by Mr. Martin.

Mr. Garland was nominated by Mr. Deschenes.

Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Heighway.

61. Resolved that nominations for President cease.

Carried.

Mr. Martin declared Mr. Garland re-elected President for 1948-49.

Mr. Martin called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Dymont was nominated by Mr. Turnbull.

Moved by Deschenes, seconded by Heighway:

62. Resolved that nominations for Vice President cease.

Carried.

Mr. Martin declared Mr. Dymont elected Vice President.

In view of consideration being given to the matter of salary to the Secretary Treasurer, Mr. Martin vacated the chair in favour of President Garland.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Deschenes:

63. WHEREAS the duties of Secretary Treasurer require more time than a person already fully employed can give them, and

WHEREAS Council finances are not yet sufficient to employ a qualified full-time employee, and

WHEREAS there are many onerous duties falling to the Secretary-Treasurer

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that \$1,000 be the remuneration of the Secretary Treasurer for one year.

Carried.

Mr. Garland vacated the chair in favour of Mr. Martin for the completion of the election.

Nominations for secretary-treasurer were called.

Mr. Pugh and Mr. le Maistre were nominated.

Moved by Heighway, seconded by Garland:

64. Resolved that nominations cease.

Carried.

Voting took place and Mr. Martin declared R. M. Pugh secretary treasurer of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council for 1948-49.

Moved by Colquhoun, seconded by le Maistre:

65. Resolved that the Audit Department of the Saskatchewan Federated Co-operatives Limited, Saskatoon, be appointed auditors for 1949.

Carried.

Deschenes moved adjournment.

November 4, 1948.

9 a.m.

Members--Pugh, Colquhoun, Kowalski, Nicholson, Garland, Paradis, Habing, Turnbull, Dymont, Allen, le Maistre, Deschenes.
Visitors--Bland, Jones, Braun, Gooderham, Shelly, Shield, Larkin, Armstrong.

Moved by Habing, seconded by Kowalski:

66. WHEREAS we understand the Ontario Beekeepers' at the 1947 convention approved of a compulsory levy primarily for the purpose of advertising honey and

WHEREAS we understand it is the intention of the Association to allocate to Council that portion of the money not spent provincially and

WHEREAS this plan is particularly indefinite

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontario Beekeepers' Association be requested to advise Council of the approximate percentage of the amount collected which will be annually allocated to Council.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Paradis:

67. Resolved that the necessary motion required by the bank to authorize the incoming Treasurer, R. M. Pugh, to sign Council cheques and conduct its banking business be approved.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Dymont:

68. WHEREAS beekeepers have certain problems for which solutions are sought, and

WHEREAS some very useful work has been done on these, especially with treatment of American foulbrood by drugs

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council write to the Director of Science Services, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, expressing the appreciation of Council for the services and co-operation rendered by Dr. Katznelson of the Bacteriological

Division, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, to the 1948 meeting of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council. Council is sincere in hoping that this co-operation will continue.

Carried.

Mr. A. A. Shelly, representative of the Wholesale Grocers Association, addressed the meeting on price relationship of honey to other foods, emphasizing the importance of continuity of supply and quality. Price should be within reach of masses of consumers. Advertising would be of great value.

Moved by Nicholson, seconded by Turnbull:

69. Resolved that the Council executive be authorized to appoint any committees that may be required for the conduct of Council business until the next annual meeting.

Carried.

Moved by Habing, seconded by Paradis:

70. Resolved that the next meeting of Council be held in Winnipeg, preferably in November on a date to be set by the executive.

Carried.

Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Habing:

71. Resolved that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council express thanks to the management and staff of the Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon, for the accommodation afforded during its recent meetings.

Carried.

Moved by Kowalski, seconded by Habing:

72. Resolved that a hearty vote of thanks to Department of Agriculture in Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Beekeepers' Association, and Perga Containers Limited for their splendid arrangements to make our stay here a very pleasant one.

Carried.

Moved by Nicholson, seconded by Allen:

73. WHEREAS there will be a new Dominion Apiarist appointed and

WHEREAS Council, on behalf of Canadian Beekeepers realizes the importance of the position and that the person so appointed should be qualified and acceptable to the beekeepers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Agriculture and Director of Experimental Farms Service be requested to consult with the Canadian Beekeepers' Council prior to the Civil Service making the appointment.

Carried.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Deschenes:

74. WHEREAS our President has done in the last year an amount of work that has been very satisfactory to this Council and has also done work that was of great help to our Secretary,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of this Council in appreciation for his services vote a gratuity to Mr. Garland of \$500.

Carried.

Council adjourned to attend a luncheon tendered by K. E. Larkin, of Perga Containers Limited.

November 4, 2 p.m.

Members--Paradis, Kowalski, Pugh, Allen, Deschenes, Garland, Habing, Nicholson, Dymont, Turnbull, le Maistre.
Visitors--Larkin, Mr. Darrow, of Mid-West Paper Sales, Saskatoon, Bland, Gooderham, Jones, Shield, Braun, Martin.

Mr. Larkin introduced Mr. Darrow of Mid-West Paper Sales.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Allen:

75. WHEREAS a study of honey plants is of great importance to the industry, and

WHEREAS there is need for further information relative to the activities of honey bees in pollinating certain fruit and seed crops,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a Honey Plant and Pollination Committee be appointed to include the Dominion Apiarist and Mr. E. C. Martin.

Carried.

Moved by Turnbull, seconded by Nicholson:

76. WHEREAS in view of the fact that W. G. le Maistre has been a faithful worker for Council for many years and especially during 1948 as its Secretary-Treasurer

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council make an adequate presentation to him as a small token of their appreciation.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Kowalski:

77. Resolved that the executive act as a committee on the co-operative advertising scheme, and floor price, adding to their number as they deem necessary.

Carried.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Deschenes:

78. WHEREAS beekeepers experienced grave difficulties from the honey can shortage that existed in 1948,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that our executive committee take up with the container manufacturers the possibility of avoiding the shortage of containers for the 1949 crop that occurred during the 1948 season.

Carried.

Moved by Paradis, seconded by Turnbull:

79. Resolved that the meeting adjourn.

Carried.

President's Report

1948

Once again with the gavel so kindly presented by our mutual friend, Bill Agar, I call to order this - the ninth annual meeting of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council.

On behalf of Council, I take particular pleasure in welcoming the visitors, both official and casual.

Our official visitors include the old, tried and true stand-byes, who from special training, official office, or fund of knowledge, have been so indispensable in their assistance and advice. I refer especially to C.B. Gooderham, F. R. Armstrong, Tom Shield, Ed Braun, E.C. Martin. We sincerely regret the unavoidable absence of Gordon Townsend. Even with the absence of Mr. Townsend, be it noted we again have the Provincial Apiarists of the five major Honey Producing Provinces. We are indeed fortunate that these Provincial Apiarists, Dominion Government Officials, Managers of Honey Packing Plants, should unite with us in attempting to solve the perplexing problems of the industry.

Invitations were again extended to representation from each of the container manufacturers supporting the Council levy. The Food Brokers' Association, and the Wholesale Grocers Associations. Unfortunately due to distance and time, the other representatives of the kindred interests were unable to accept our invitation. We welcome Mr. Harry Jones, who by the regularity of his attendance has become practically a permanent fixture. I welcome also the casual visitors who were able to attend this particular meeting, but who because of time and distance, may not be able to attend future meetings.

May all our visitors freely enter into our discussions, and by adding their views, enable Council to come to sound and logical conclusions.

As a new member from B.C., we welcome Mr. Turnbull. You sir have been with us before as a visitor and we indeed welcome you as a Council Member.

To each and to all a welcome, to each and to all a challenge, - - may the Beekeeping Industry be the better for your attendance and participation in this meeting.

I would be remiss in my duties, if I did not pause to pay homage to those who did so much for Council, in former years, but who have now delegated their responsibilities to newer members. I refer to Messrs. Bishop, Braithwaite, Oster, Duncan, Agar, Phillips, Perarcey, McLean and Brown. They served faithfully, they built well.

Our thanks to Saskatchewan for the invitation to hold our meeting in this delightful city.

What of Council since our Toronto 1947 meeting?

The relatively minor fears expressed by some last year, materialized all too soon, and we early realized that we faced a difficult marketing problem.

Your export committee pursued every possible avenue for the movement of honey. These included UNRA, Red Cross, Marshall Plan, C A R E. In all to date, we have been unsuccessful.

The establishment of a floor price has been refused and our request renewed. Further action may still enable Council to achieve this objective.

Assistance in advertising by the Marketing Service Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, has been urged. Your advertis-

ing committee will report results of this appeal.

Provincial Grading - one of the objectives of Council - is progressing slowly. Manitoba alone has finalized Provincial grading, but it is hoped that the majority of the other Provinces will have their regulation in effect for the 1949 crop.

Your committee reports will show success in revising regulations to permit the shipment of queens by airmail. Also will be shown, increased use of fairs and exhibitions for the promotion of honey sales and the improvement of pack. These committee reports will indicate clearly that Council again has tried to improve the Industry and that certain Council Members and Supporters have worked diligently and hard for Council. To those workers our thanks.

And now a word about the position of your President.

During the year due to my position as president, and due also to my gainful occupation, I have received numerous reports on developments within the Industry, from all sections of Canada, as well as from the United States and the United Kingdom and Europe. It is not practical or possible to relay all this information to Council, therefore Council Members - some of whom are badly isolated and know only the purely local picture, are unable or unwilling to take action sufficiently early to achieve results.

Due also I think to isolation and lack of knowledge, our plan to request floor prices in July was likewise refused. Finally the Executive received from the majority of Council Authority to take action, consequently we applied for floor prices, advertising assistance, and the development of the export trade.

Definitely we were too late. The advertising assistance we are to obtain is not now practical until January. We need it now. Perhaps we will yet obtain a floor price. We needed it in September. The B.C. market today would be improved, and Council would have obtained valuable experience by conducting that proposed advertising plan.

Gentlemen, your executive - particularly your president - urged these projects.

You the Council, refused.

Perhaps the projects were ill conceived and not sound, but I submit any action, and earlier action, would have been highly desirable.

I urge you to appoint a president, in whom you have the utmost confidence and that the new incoming president be given unlimited authority for one year, for whatever action he may deem desirable to meet changing conditions.

I am grateful to, and Council has been well served by your Vice-President, Mr. Dechenes, and particularly by your Secretary, Mr. le Maistre. The position of Secretary is a most difficult job, and entails an immense amount of work. We are indeed indebted to Mr. le Maistre.

Apart from your Executive, the real work of Council between meetings is and must of necessity, be done by Committees. Most of your Committees have worked well and the Chairman and Members of those committees have done an excellent job for Canadian Beekeepers. Other committees have done little or nothing, and as a consequence the industry has suffered. Membership on Council, yes, is an honour, but entails work. There is no place on Council for those who are unwilling or unable to carry their share of the load. The Canadian Beekeepers need a Council which is willing and able to guide the Industry.

Our agenda consists largely of reports from various committees.

I do trust that these committees are or will shortly be prepared to submit a full report of their activities during the year, and definite recommendations for consideration by this Council.

In conclusion, - Gentlemen we have work to do. May our decisions be based not on private or sectional prejudices, not on the requirements and needs of the few nor of the many, but rather on the requirements of the Industry as a whole and for the ultimate good of Canadian Beekeepers. May God give us the wisdom to arrive at sound conclusions and the courage of our convictions.

F. R. Garland,
PRESIDENT.

Canadian Beekeepers Council
Saskatoon Nov. 1. 1948.

Report of Secretary

1. Our thanks are expressed to the great assistance of Mr. R. M. Pugh, last years secretary and Miss Joan Hall in compiling and distributing the minutes of the 1947 meeting of the Council. Without this help the minutes would have been long delayed and probably less complete.
2. We conducted all the necessary correspondence concerning Council business throughout the year. In this we received some considerable help from our president in some committee work initiated by him.
3. Members have been informed of all developements as they took place.
4. All committees were instructed in their duties and advised of the time when their written reports would be required by the Council.
5. By resolution number 14 of the 1947 minutes the executive were instructed to publish a recipe booklet, providing sufficient orders were received and providing there would be no cost to the Council.

I circularized all member associations, but those who replied stated that purchases would be contingent upon quantity purchased. I tried to pass the responsibility of action on the advertising committee. The net result is that we have not yet published the new recipe booklet.

6. We believe that all other duties as required by the Council were carried out to the best of our ability.
7. We respectfully submit this report for consideration by the Council.

W. G. le Maistre,
SECRETARY TREASURER.

Interim Financial ReportCANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCILStatement of Receipts and Expenditures: Period Jan.31/48- Oct.1./48Receipts

Balance on Hand Jan. 31,1948		4961.18	
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Container Levy

American Can Co.	1124.80		
Continental Can Co. of Canada	894.39		
Perga Containers Limited	3901.97	5921.16	

Contributions:

Ontario Beekeepers Ass'n	455.88		
Miscellaneous	1.00	<u>456.88</u>	11,339.22

ExpendituresTravelling Expense -

F.R. Garland	177.85		
S.M. Dechenes	98.00		
W.G. le Maistre	271.02		
R.M. Pugh	177.15	724.02	

Office -

Bank Exchange	14.70		
Postage	12.40		
Telephone & Telegraph	13.94		
Stenographer	300.00		
Audit	10.00		
Miscellaneous	<u>6.22</u>	<u>357.26</u>	<u>1081.28</u>

\$10,257.94

W. G. le Maistre,
TREASURER.

CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL
Statement of Receipts and Expenditures - Year ended 31st JANUARY, 1948

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RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand, 31st January, 1947

Container Levy:
 American Can Company
 Continental Can Company
 Perga Containers Limited
 Sealright Containers Limited

Association des Apiculteurs de la
 Province de Quebec

Les Producteurs de Miel du Quebec

Honey Cook Book

Miscellaneous donations (Saskatchewan)

\$1,669.68
 5,086.73
 2,326.61
672.00

\$1,870.71

EXPENDITURES

Travelling:
 Taxi re Dillingham
 A. T. Brown
 O. Paradis
 S. M. Deschenes
 F. R. Garland
 P. C. Colquhoun
 R. M. Pugh

Office:
 Stenographer
 Stationery
 Supplies
 Telephone
 Express and Telegraph
 Postage
 Audit

7.00
 16.05
 40.00
 61.55
 285.66
 346.07
436.48

750.00
 58.89
 12.02
 24.79
 84.08
 17.00
8.50

\$1,192.81

Printing:
 Advertising leaflets
 Cook Books

924.76
288.07

1,212.83

Rights to Honey Cook Book
 Annual meeting
 Allocation to Secretary

60.00
 3,020.94
 357.00

Presentation to P. C. Colquhoun

97.18

Photos

31.20

Credit Error

5.00

Exchange

19.30

Balance on hand 31st January, 1948

4,961.18

11,912.72

11,912.72

We have examined the records of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council for the year ended 31st January, 1948, and have received all information and explanations required by us. In our opinion the above statement of receipts and expenditures sets forth correctly the transactions of the Council for the year and as shown by the records

Regina, Saskatchewan
 1948

(Sgd) Rooke Thomas & Co.

Chartered Accountants

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION OF QUEEN BEES BY AIR

Your committee met with the Deputy Postmaster General (Mr. W.J. Turnbull) and others of his staff on May 19 and the requests of Council were presented. After considerable discussion Mr. Turnbull promised to examine what was being done in other countries and then to consult with the committee again at a future date.

On June 24 a second conference was called to discuss the matter further with Mr. G. A. Boyle of the Post Office Department. Apparently the transportation of queen bees by air was common practice in the United States and elsewhere and no reason existed as to why the practice could not be followed in Canada.

Shortly after this meeting the following notice for Post Office Weekly Bulletin was issued by the Post Office authorities.

"Effective immediately, queen bees and their attendant bees may be accepted for transmission over Air Mail services to places in Canada and the United States when prepaid at the regular air mail rate of postage.

"The attention of Postmasters is directed to the first paragraph of Section 139 of the Canada Official Postal Guide, in which is outlined the conditions under which queen bees may be sent by post.

"Shipments of queen bees forwarded by Air Mail should be despatched as quickly as possible and delivered to the addressee promptly upon arrival at the office of destination.

"It should be made quite clear to all persons desiring to forward queen bees by air mail that while the postal service will do all that is possible to ensure the safe arrival of these shipments at destination, the Department will not be responsible for any deterioration or loss that may occur en route due to weather conditions or other reasons beyond control.

"It should also be specially noted that queen bees only may be despatched by air-mail. Honey bees, are not to be accepted for transmission by air-mail.

S. M. Dechenes

Harry White M. P.

C. B. Gooderham.

CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL

TENTATIVE REPORT OF EXPORT COMMITTEE

This Committee must again confess that it has not a bright report to make.

Every conceivable angle with respect to the export of honey has been followed by Mr. T. H. Shield and Mr. G. F. Townsend in an attempt to open up some export trade. This matter has been discussed with the Red Cross, and with the Department of Trade and Commerce, on many occasions. Every lead seemed to end in a stone wall. A visit was made to Ottawa in March, accompanied by Mr. Garland, President of the Council, to make sure that honey would be included under E.R.P., and to that end we were successful, but the actual operation of E.R.P. has not permitted the shipping of any honey as long as there is a surplus in United States.

Information was sought concerning the possibility of shipping in consumer pack to England and accepting Sterling, but this is not feasible, as somewhere down the line Sterling must be converted to dollars before it can be used in this country, and this in turn would take Canadian dollars from England. There is every indication that this British austerity programme may last another four years, which gives little hope for any export on a large scale in the near future.

This Committee can then only recommend:

1. That the Council make every effort to advertise honey on as large a scale as possible in Canada, as it is within reason that all of the honey produced within Canada can be consumed within Canada if sold in a proper manner.
2. That the Council make every effort to encourage other uses for honey, especially toward having further research work carried out on honey products.

T. H. SHIELD.

REPORT OF MARKETING INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Members: M. W. Webster, W. H. Turnbull, W. G. le Maistre,
R. M. Pugh, O. Paradis, E. C. Martin.

1. Information was accumulated by Mr. M. W. Webster with regard to stocks of honey available for export in the spring of 1948. This information was required in support of a presentation by the export committee to the Dominion Government.
2. Revision has been secured in the method of accumulating statistics on honey stocks and greater accuracy is expected. An Act administered by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics requires by law that honey stocks be accurately reported when required. A form is provided and must be properly filled in and returned within 7 days of the specified date.
3. Throughout the active beekeeping season, semi-monthly crop reports are provided by the Provincial Apiarists and published in the Dominion Department of Agriculture "Crop and Market Report". This has been improved to the extent that a form asking specific questions is used, leading to greater consistency and probably greater usefulness.

As there appears to be no need for further activity of this committee at present, it is suggested that the committee be discontinued.

E. C. Martin.

FLOOR PRICES COMMITTEE REPORT.

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council in Calgary, Council approved of the establishment of a floor price for honey when considered expedient.

In April 1948 this problem was informally discussed by a committee with Mr. J. G. Taggart, Chairman of the Agriculture Prices Support Board. This committee consisted of Messrs. Shield, Townsend, and Garland.

At that time we were advised that the establishment when necessary, of a floor price for an agricultural product was an established policy of our Dominion Government. We were assured that any request for a floor price would be given consideration. No such request was made at this April meeting.

In early July Council members were advised of this preliminary informal discussion and direction requested as to immediate action. The majority of members replying to this recommended no immediate action.

In September your executive was granted full power to act.

A committee reconvened in Ottawa on September 20th, committee of Messrs. le Maistre, Deschenes, Pugh, Townsend, Shield, Dymont and Garland.

After previous consultation with the Department of Agriculture, the committee submitted a brief to the Agriculture Prices Support Board. Copy of brief included below.

On September 30 we were advised by Mr. Taggart that "we should not, at this time, undertake a definite price support plan for Honey". Instead, consideration should be given for Government assistance in advertising.

On October 15 a committee consisting of Messrs. Shield, Dymont, Deschenes and Garland interviewed Mr. Taggart and renewed our request for the immediate establishment of floor prices.

We have not as yet been advised of the Board's decision in this respect.

Your committee recommends that their action in requesting a floor price be confirmed and that Council continue to urge the necessity of a floor price for honey.

F. R. Garland.

COUNCIL SUBMISSION TO PRICES SUPPORT BOARD

CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL

Ottawa, Ontario
September 23, 1948

Mr. J. G. Taggart,
Chairman,
Agricultural Prices Support Board,
Room 430, Confederation Building,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

We herewith attach our request for assistance for the beekeeping industry of the Dominion.

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This request embodies the immediate establishment of a floor price for honey, development of an export trade and assistance in advertising.

We understand our problem will be given immediate consideration. At your suggestion we are leaving this matter in your hands. We shall be willing to return to Ottawa should circumstances make this desirable.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the helpful co-operation we have received from members of the Department of Agriculture.

Yours sincerely,

W. G. le Maistre,
Secretary

WGleM/fg
Copy for Mr. A. M. Shaw

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE
by
CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL

Prior to 1941 Canada exported the surplus honey principally to the U.K. market. This surplus averaged approximately 10% of the total crop. Since January 1942 no exports of Canadian honey have been feasible. During the war years with the shortage of competitive foods, sugar rationing and in many years below-average honey production, the Canadian crop was sold readily on the domestic market at restricted ceiling prices. These prices were determined by the W.P.T.B. as fair and reasonable for the consumer.

With the removal of sugar rationing and the greater abundance of competitive foods, and higher production, the honey problem has become acute. Domestic sales have receded and the export market remains closed.

In 1948 we have the greatest honey production in ten years despite a decrease in colonies operated.

	Colonies	Beekeepers
1947	588,700	39,200
1948	561,700	31,500

Production as estimated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics is shown in the attached schedule.

There was a carry-over from the 1947 crop of approximately 4,000,000 lb. over and above normal stocks.

Present crisis

With a carry-over of approximately 4,000,000 lb. plus a 1948 crop of approximately 44,000,000, we have a total volume of 48,000,000 lb. to market.

Honey prices increased substantially in 1947 followed by a decrease. The 1947 bulk price was approximately 25¢ to 30¢ per pound, today this price is 17¢.

Market prices have declined sharply in the last few weeks as shown by the following table compiled from the Weekly Crop and Market Report of the Department of Agriculture:-

Floor Prices Report - 3

	<u>1944</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>1946</u>	<u>1947</u>	<u>1948</u>		
					Apr.	June	Sept.
Case 2's Toronto	9.24	9.24	9.72	9.72	14.58	14.00	9.60

Wholesalers and retailers alike anticipating still further declines are definitely slow in purchasing and are retarding normal marketing.

Retailers are purchasing on a hand-to-mouth basis and all too frequently the store shelves are bare of honey. Wholesalers normally requiring carlot shipments to service their trade today are purchasing in small lots of 25 to 50 cases. This results in inadequate service to retailers and loss of sales.

The pressing necessity of obtaining funds immediately is forcing many beekeepers to market at distress prices. This coupled with buyers' resistance - caused by lack of confidence - will force the price down to dangerously low levels. Without assistance the beekeeping industry faces disaster.

The beekeeper was in much better financial position in 1943-5 than he is to-day. Production costs have increased by approximately 30% and honey prices by only 10.4%.

	<u>1943-5</u>	<u>1948</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Cost of Bees	2.85	4.25	49%
Containers	.89	1.21	36%
Labour	-	-	27%
Farm Services	-	-	30%
Cost of Living	-	-	33%
Ave.			approx. 30%
Price of honey	15.4¢	17¢	10.4

To place the beekeeper in as good a position as he was in 1943-5 he must receive 30% more than he received in that period of 20 cents per pound.

Necessity for assistance

The beekeeping industry is required for its pollinating services. Agriculture generally will suffer if honey prices drop so that the beekeeping industry becomes distressed and curtailed. The U.S.D.A. is continuously urging an increase in beekeeping, not for the value of the honey produced but for the value of pollination to agriculture.

Without assistance there will be a marked decrease in colonies and numerous beekeepers will be forced out of business. Many men utilizing D.V.A. credits will be amongst these.

The majority of beekeepers are not dependent upon the revenue from honey for their livelihood but nevertheless over 56% of the colonies are owned by beekeepers operating over 100 colonies each. These may be considered commercial beekeepers whose honey income is the important part of their livelihoods.

Capital Investment

Investment in beekeeping in the Dominion is approximately \$20,000,000. Beekeeping equipment is specialized and not convertible to other uses.

Assistance requested

We request a floor price for honey, assistance in domestic honey sales, and the development of the export markets.

Floor Prices Report - 4.

Floor Prices

We urge a floor price for Canadian honey be announced immediately on the following basis:-

- (1) A price of 15½¢ F.O.B. Delivery Point per pound on White No.1 honey in standard bulk containers. (Container capacity 30 lb. and over.)
- (2) Delivery to be made to approved storage at centres located in each producing province as may be designated by the Board.
- (3) The Board to accept delivery commencing May 1, 1949.
- (4) Floor price to apply only to honey of Canadian production. This price of 15½¢ per lb. is so low that there will be no increase in the apiaries and is barely sufficient to keep efficient beekeepers in business. We also believe that this price is low enough to encourage consumer demand.

This requested floor price may be considered in comparison with the returns made to its members by the Manitoba Co-operative Honey Producers. These payments plus costs of containers were -

1943 crop	14.5¢ lb.
1944 "	15.75¢ "
1945 "	16.0¢ "
1946 "	17.5¢ "
1947 "	22.5¢ "

A floor price for only No. 1 White honey will set a standard under which the other classes and grades will find their relative levels and will protect the Board from the purchase of honey sometimes difficult to market.

Returns to the producer under the W.P.T.B. ceilings were uniform through Canada, and the same condition prevails today. We accordingly urge a uniform delivered floor price.

Effect of Floor price

The immediate announcement of a floor price would stabilize the industry and more normal marketing would ensue.

If the establishment of a floor price were combined with advertising we do not anticipate the Board would be required to purchase any substantial volume of honey.

In 1947 we produced 38,000,000 lbs., imported 3,000,000 lbs., and had a surplus carry-over of approximately 4,000,000 lbs. No importations are permitted at present. Obviously approx. 37,000,000 lbs. were sold at exceptionally high prices. At the more reasonable price today, coupled with the confidence created by a floor price, and adequate advertising, the disposal of the 1948 crop should not be too difficult.

Another factor favourable to increase sales is the fact that the 1948 crop is practically all White No. 1 honey, and therefore readily saleable as compared to an unfortunately large percentage of Dark and low grade production in 1947.

The Canadian Beekeepers' Council will make every effort to obtain the close co-operation of the various provinces in the administration of the plan.

Floor Prices Report - 5.

Advertising

The Canadian Beekeepers' Council has tried to raise sufficient money to advertise honey on a national basis. Our efforts have been only partially successful due to the difficulties of raising money during a period of easy marketing and restricted crops.

Advertising consultants have advised we require a minimum of \$35,000 per year for three years to obtain the desired results.

We are now in a position to guarantee approximately \$15,000. We urge that advertising be commenced immediately by the Marketing Service and we will underwrite such advertising to the extent of \$15,000.

We further urge Marketing Services do everything in its power to develop the export trade and stimulate domestic sales by advertising.

The situation is deteriorating very rapidly and we urge immediate action.

CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL

September 23, 1948.

COUNCIL SUBMISSION FOR ASSISTANCE IN
ADVERTISING HONEY.

CANADIAN BEEKEEPERS' COUNCIL

Ottawa, Ontario
September 23, 1948.

Mr. A. M. Shaw,
Director of Marketing Service,
Department of Agriculture,
Confederation Building,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Re: Advertising Honey

Dear Mr. Shaw:-

This Council has made representations to you in the past regarding assistance in marketing the honey crop. You have indicated your willingness to take action in the form of advertising and promoting sales when a real need for this arose.

We are of the opinion that the need is now very pressing. We ask that you undertake to advertise honey.

The Council has made an earnest effort to accumulate funds for advertising honey. Conditions of crop and markets have been unfavourable to the accumulation of a sufficient fund. We find in fact that we can only accumulate up to \$15,000 that might be used on the 1948 crop (a comprehensive plan of advertising, we are informed, would require an expenditure of some \$35,000 a year over a period of three years).

We realize it might be difficult for you to set aside the necessary money for such a programme at this time. However, since the total expenditure would not be required all at once, we believe a plan might be worked out whereby we would contribute what funds we have and added to what funds you set aside, advertising might be begun at once.

We would, for example, be prepared to contribute our

Floor Prices Report - 6.

\$15,000 between now and December 31st with the definite understanding your Department would make a real effort to obtain the additional money required for a comprehensive and adequate advertising campaign. This would permit immediate action.

In support of our contention, that there is real and immediate need for advertising honey, are the discussions we have had with you and our submission to the Prices Support Board, a copy of which is in your hands.

Irrespective of any action taken by the Prices Support Board we ask that you arrange to advertise honey at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

W. G. le Maistre,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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INCOME TAX COMMITTEE REPORT

Last January a conference was held with the following at Regina:
D. J. Gill, Acting Director, Primary Producers Section,
Income Tax, Ottawa,
M. H. Anderson, Supervisor, Farm Section, Income Tax, Regina
H. K. Farley, Supervisor, Farm Section, Income Tax, Saskatoon
Myself and several other Department officials.

THE PURPOSE of this meeting was to set up a beekeepers' tax schedule acceptable to the Income Tax Department and to the Council.

A Schedule was drawn up for formal approval of the Income Tax Department and for presentation to Council. To date we have not secured this formal approval from the Income Tax Department but I am assured it will be forthcoming and has just been delayed due to backlog of other work.

I am also advised that the schedule is now being satisfactorily used in Saskatchewan and that if Council approves it, that it will be approved by the Income Tax Department and Council can then proceed to inform our beekeepers.

Advantage of Schedule -

- 1. Beekeepers would have a definite approval basis on which to draw up their income tax returns.
- 2. Clearance of beekeepers' income tax returns would be speeded up.

INCOME TAX SCHEDULE

- 1. Income Items will include:
 - (a) Revenue from sales of honey
 - (b) Revenue from sales of wax
 - (c) Revenue from sales of colonies of bees
 - (d) Value of produce consumed or given away
 - (e) Beekeepers' co-operative patronage dividends
 - (f) Beekeepers' co-operative payments for honey or wax.
- 2. Expenses will include:
 - (a) Cost of package bees (including 1 queen)
 - (b) Cost of queens used for replacement
 - (c) Cost of foundation
 - (d) Cost of small tools (itemized if over \$25.00)
 - (e) Cost of paint
 - (f) Truck expenses
 - (g) Rent on apiary locations, etc.
 - (h) Wages of labour employed
 - (i) 10% depreciation on all bee equipment
All equipment to be listed with date of purchase
10% depreciation on engines, motors, extractors, etc
20% depreciation on trucks
5% depreciation on frame buildings
 - (j) Cost of honey containers
 - (k) Cost of sugar
 - (l) May be other items

Explanation

- 1. Hive -- A hive is considered to include
 - (a) One bottom board
 - (b) One hive cover
 - (c) 5 supers (normally)
 - (d) 50 drawn combs or frames of foundation
 - (e) The bees and queen

The hive with the exception of the bees and foundation, is considered as capital and depreciation will be allowed at 10% of cost per annum for a period of ten years.

Beekeepers who employ help to manufacture their own supers, frames, etc. must charge labour costs as an expense. Depreciation on equipment so manufactured can only be charged on the cost of the lumber, hardware, paint, etc., used.

2. Bees -- The cost of package bees and queens is an expense deductible in full the year of purchase.

3. Foundation -- The cost of foundation is an expense deductible in full the year of purchase. Revenue from the sale of drawn comb should be reported as income.

4. Beeswax -- Revenue from the sale of wax secured from cappings, trimmings, and damaged or old comb is income.

5. Purchase of Colonies -- In the case of the purchase of a colony (e.g. a complete hive with bees) the following division should be made:

- 1. The cost of the bees, the drawn combs or foundations is an expense
- 2. Cost of floor boards, supers, lid, frames, is a capital expense

Depreciation may only be claimed on the capital expense portion.

6. American Foulbrood -- Hives, frames, drawn comb, bees and honey destroyed due to American foulbrood constitute a capital loss and no deduction from income may be claimed on this account. No depreciation may be claimed on any equipment after it has been destroyed.

Supers, covers and floor boards which are salvaged after singeing off may be deemed to have depreciated 50%

7. Sale of Hives -- The sale of hives without bees is a recovery of capital.

Revenue from the Sale of drawn comb, bees and honey is income. When sold a hive is deemed to be 50% depreciated.

8. Hobby and Commercial Producers -- Less than 10 hives will be deemed a hobby

9. Paint -- Cost of paint is an expense. Hives will be deemed to require painting once in ten years

10 Insurance and Rentals -- Fire insurance premiums and yard rentals are an expense.

R. M. Pugh

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL PUBLICITY

Reports received from committee members in the various provinces indicate that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council has been well publicized by Council members and supporters during the past year. Methods of advertising Council activities have been quite similar in the several provinces and committee members feel that the beekeepers are reasonably well informed on the setup of the Council but so far have not had sufficient proof of the ability of Council to be of service to them.

Council publicity during the past year was carried on through circular letters to beekeepers from Provincial Apiarists, Honey Co-ops and Beekeepers Associations; questionnaires and requests for advice on how Council can better serve beekeepers; general Council publicity at beekeepers' meetings, short course and field days; articles in newspapers, magazines and bee journals; and in some cases displays were set up by provincial associations in which some publicity for Council was included.

Council members have been very prominent at special beekeepers' meetings such as the 25th anniversary of the Ontario Honey Co-op and the recent conventions of the provincial associations - and was also brought into the limelight by the presentation of submissions and discussions with representatives of the Federal Government. It is to be noted also that some publicity has been available through the Farm Broadcast Service of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

The committee recommends that a publicity campaign be carried on through the continued use of the press, bee journals, circular letters and meetings; that container manufacturers and bee supply dealers be asked to continue circularizing Council literature such as pamphlets, space on their catalogues and price lists or any other form of advertising that may be submitted to them; that at least one pocket size pamphlet giving an outline of the policies, objectives and achievements of Council be sent out to beekeepers next year and that it be compiled and sent out by the Publicity Committee. Recommended also is the use of "stickers" advertising Council, which may be used on letters, pamphlets, and circulars; and the drafting of a symbol or insignia which would identify the Council and could be used on the above mentioned stickers, letter-heads, etc.

(Suggestion - that this symbol might be a maple leaf with a queen bee over the top with the names or abbreviations of the six provinces inscribed thereon)

It is further recommended that provincial associations allow space on the back of their convention programs for a summary of Council and if recipe books are printed for distribution to beekeepers, that space on the fly leaf be used for publicizing Council.

As a gesture of appreciation for the services of those persons outside Council who have so ably assisted on committees and in an advisory capacity to Council it is recommended that a letter of appreciation be directed to the Dominion Department of Agriculture, referring to Mr. C.B. Gooderham, Dr. H. Katznelson, Ed. Braun, F.R. Armstrong; to the Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Agriculture in the provinces of Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia for the services rendered by their Provincial Apiarists; to the Directors of Farm Broadcasts in the same provinces for the publicity given Council by Tom Leach of Vancouver, Bob Graham, Edmonton, Peter Whittal of Winnipeg and to the Ontario Honey Co-op for the invaluable advice and assistance of Tom Shield.

G. Habing.

REPORT OF RESEARCH COMMITTEE
November 1948

Members Present: J. N. Dymont (Acting Chairman)
C. B. Gooderham
W. G. le Maistre
E. C. Martin
T. H. Shield
Dr. H. Katznelson
E. Braun

Apiculture in Canada (Sects. 1 & 2 1947 Report)

In last year's report certain recommendations were made relative to apiculture research facilities. In March, the chairman of this committee, together with Mr. Garland and Mr. T. H. Shield, discussed with Dr. Barton the various points in question and Dr. Barton suggested that a subcommittee on apiculture, under the Agriculture Advisory Committee, be recommended and he would submit this proposal at the next Advisory Committee meeting which is to be held on December 9 and 10, 1948.

The Research Committee suggests that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council approve the principle that a sub-committee of the Agriculture Advisory Board be appointed to advise Dr. Barton that if a sub-committee is approved by the National Agriculture Advisory Council that we are prepared to submit the following names for approval on that sub-committee.

Dominion Apiarist, Gordon Townsend, E. C. Martin, W. G. le Maistre, E. Braun and Roy Pugh, S. M. Deschenes, W. H. Turnbull.

Research Literature: (Sec. 3 1947 Report)

It is recommended that the Council request the Dominion Department of Agriculture to assist in the collection of foreign and Canadian research reports on apiculture and that some provision for distribution and translation of these reports be made.

Personnel: (Sec. 4, 1947 Report)

That in order to facilitate the obtaining of satisfactory personnel the Bee Division at Ottawa be completely reclassified and all salaries paid to such members of this Division be considerably increased. Also that recommendations along this line be forwarded to the provincial associations as well as the Dominion Government, asking for similar consideration for all workers in apiculture.

Apiculture Courses: (Sec. 5, 1947 Report)

The Canadian Beekeepers' Council urges the establishment of apicultural courses at more of the Canadian universities so that more students may be permitted to select this as an option if so desired.

Scholarships: (Sec. 6, 1947 Report)

That the Council take immediate action toward the establishment of one scholarship on the following basis:

- (a) One scholarship of \$800.00 available per year.
- (b) This scholarship to be limited to Post-graduate work towards a definite degree.
- (c) The winner for one year could apply in subsequent years.
- (d) The winner of the scholarship to be determined by the Research Committee of this Council.
- (e) The applicant could indicate preference for any University but his choice might influence the decision of the Committee.

Research Committee 2

This committee recommends that the Research Committee of the Council be responsible for raising the scholarship funds and all the details pertaining to the scholarship plan.

Section 7 1947 Committee Report

Honey Sub-committee: (Sec. 8, 1947 Report)

The Committee recommends that a honey sub-committee of the Council be appointed to study and submit one or more definite plans whereby the uses of honey for commercial or other purposes could be increased for the benefit of the Canadian beekeeping industry.

The committee further recommends the employment of a qualified dietitian to work on honey uses, to establish a dietary kitchen in the Bee Division, Ottawa, or work in conjunction with the Horticultural Division of the Experimental Farms, the Consumers Section, National Research Council or, failing these agencies, to contact the American Honey Institute on a co-operative effort.

Research Problems: (Sec. 9, 1947 Report)

The 1947 Research Committee recommended that ~~action~~ be taken on a number of research problems. This committee wishes to report that action has been taken as follows:

Group 1:

(B) Breeding and Artificial Insemination - work begun at O.A.C., Guelph

(C & G) Disease Work - Disease resistance and antibiotics. The Bacteriology and Bee Division, Central Experimental Farm and O.A.C., Guelph, have detailed experiments under way.

(E) Pollination - Work underway at Bee Division, Ottawa, O.A.C., Guelph, and Experimental Farm, Brandon, Manitoba.

(f) Premature Supersedure - Work underway at the Bee Division and Experimental Farm, Brandon, Manitoba.

Group 2:

1 & 9 Pollen and Insecticide Studies: Bee Division and several branch experimental farms.

2. Nectar Secretion and Plant Breeding: Bee Division and Experimental Farm, Brandon, Manitoba.

4. Mineral Requirements: O.A.C., Guelph, Ontario.

6. Apiary Management: Bee Division and Brandon

7. Wintering Bees: Bee Division and Brandon

8. New Honey Plants: Being tested at Bee Division and Brandon.

Letters Received: (Sec. 10, 1947 Report)

Mr. R. J. Baxter's letter re B-feed (an invert sugar manufactured product) was read and he suggested that experimental work be done with the product to compare it with sugar syrup. Work with this product is underway at several Experimental Farm apiaries at the present time.

A letter from Mr. Jas. H. Boyd, Foreign Trade Service, Ottawa, re the use of dark honey in a tooth paste formula was read and the committee suggested the letter be filed.

Dr. V. G. Milum outlined courses in apiculture in the U.S.A. and

Canada in a recent issue of Gleanings. The Canadian setup was sketchy and it is recommended that the Research Committee compile a list of courses, short courses, etc., in apiculture, and that each University in Canada, Provincial and Dominion Apiarists be forwarded a copy or that the material be summarized and published.

Disease Studies: (Sec. 11, 1947 Report)

The Committee suggest the following:

A.F.B. 1. The Bacteriological Division to test additional chemical drugs and antibiotics.

2. The testing of disinfectants on all types of equipment to determine boiling points, strains, effect, etc.

3. ~~Draft~~ proposed procedure schedule on sulphur, which after discussion with Provincial Apiarists could be published.

4. Explore the physical destruction methods on spores in honey or wax, radioactivity, supersonics, etc.

E.F.B. A study on the casual organisms of all brood diseases such as E.F.B. and sacbrood would be desirable in order of their significance to the industry.

Adult Diseases:

Nosema and other adult disease samples should be collected, isolated and studied.

We are pleased at the present co-operation between the Divisions of the various services at Ottawa and trust that this will continue in the future.

Dominion Apiarist Position: (Sec. 12, 1947 Report)

This matter was discussed by this committee and it was recommended that it be discussed under the heading of New Business on the Canadian Beekeepers' Council agenda.

J. N. Dymont
Acting Chairman.

Appendix #12

HONEY COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE

Committee members: Martin, Nicholson, Armstrong, Shield, added Braun, Jones.

Reference: Resolution #12 Minutes of 1947 meeting.

Objectives: To develop a standard scale of points for judging honey and any other matters pertaining to honey competitions

In developing a scale of points for judging, your committee tried to keep in mind the giving or stressing of most points for showmanship, which would be mostly what the beekeeper had control of.

Schedule of Scale of Points

Liquid Honey

1. Appearance, suitability, uniformity of containers ...	10
2. Uniform and accurate volume of honey	5
3. Absence of granulation, impurities and uniformity of honey entry	25
4. Color and brightness.....	20
5. Flavour and aroma	20
6. Density (16% or less receive full points)	20
	<u>100</u>

Granulated Honey

1. Appearance, suitability and uniformity of containers .	10
2. Uniform and accurate volume of honey	5
3. Firmness and uniformity of set. Absence of froth and impurities and general condition of honey	30
4. Color	15
5. Flavour and aroma	20
6. Texture of granulation (smooth and fine)	20
	<u>100</u>

Comb Honey In Standard Sections

1. Suitability and uniformity of section	15
2. Uniformity and completeness of filling	25
3. Cleanliness and general appearance of sections	20
4. Cappings (uniformity and whiteness)	20
5. Quality of honey	20
	<u>100</u>

Honey Displays

1. Educational and/or advertising value	40
2. Attractiveness and arrangement	30
3. Appearance and quality of honey	30
	<u>100</u>

Beeswax

1. Color (straw or canary yellow)	30
2. Cleanliness (free from honey and impurities).....	35
3. Uniformity of appearance	20
4. Freedom from cracking and shrinkage	15
	<u>100</u>

T. H. Shield

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONTROLLED MARKETING LEGISLATION - 1948

Committee:

C.C. Heighway (Chairman)
C.F. Habing
P. Kowalski
P.C. Colquhoun
W.H. Turnbull
R.D. Nicholson

Your Committee on Dominion Marketing Legislation beg to report as follows:

WHEREAS at the annual meeting of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council held in 1947 the following Resolution was passed as recorded on Page 8 of the Minutes and marked as Resolution #30:

"WHEREAS it is most desirable that legislation be provided to authorize the setting up of machinery for orderly marketing of honey

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council give its full support to the efforts of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture to secure passage of the proposed Dominion Natural Products Marketing Act."

In the past twelve months the following resolution was passed at the annual meeting of the British Columbia Fruit Growers Association held in January 1948:

"WHEREAS the need for Dominion marketing legislation is now more urgent than ever before as farmers face changing conditions with increasing production costs and declining demand for many of their products, and

WHEREAS at a public meeting held at Kelowna, B.C. on May 17, 1948, the Dominion Minister of Agriculture stated that the Government was prepared to enact marketing legislation that would meet the needs of Canadian Farmers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. That this Convention instruct the Canadian Federation of Agriculture to register an emphatic protest with the Canadian Government against the unreasonable delay in introducing marketing legislation, which legislation is now recognized by all main political parties as being necessary and desirable.

2. That, if unable to obtain from the Government a definite promise that a satisfactory marketing act will be introduced at the earliest possible opportunity, the Federation insist upon being given valid reasons for the ignoring of the wishes of the farmers of Canada by failure on the part of the Government to furnish them with a legal basis upon which the marketing of their products could be stabilized."

It is the opinion of your Committee that Council should endorse this resolution of the B.C.F.G.A. and that a copy of such endorsement be forwarded to the Dominion Minister of Agriculture, also to H.H. Hannam, President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

This will bring our request for Dominion Marketing legislation up to date and in line with other Agricultural organizations which may be working to attain the same ends.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. Heighway.

REPORT OF GRADING COMMITTEE

Part 1

Inasmuch as the adoption of the proposed revisions of the Dominion Honey Grading Regulation as approved by Council appears to be contingent upon the Provincial Governments indicating their intention to regulate the sale of honey produced and sold within their own boundaries, this Committee recommends that the Provincial Governments be urged:

1. To enact honey grading legislation and present their plan for the administration of such legislation to the Dominion Department of Agriculture.
2. To ask the Dominion Government for co-operation in the administration of over-all honey legislation.
3. To request the Dominion Government to implement the changes in Dominion Honey Grading regulation as recommended by Council.

Whereas progress with regard to grading is coming slowly and whereas certain previous Council recommendations are still of value be it resolved that the following recommendations of the 1947 Council meeting be repeated.

Part 2

1. That the Dominion Act respecting the grading of honey and the regulations thereunder be consolidated in a separate leaflet.
2. That a concise explanation of the Dominion Honey Grading Regulations be prepared for distribution to beekeepers.
3. That honey inspectors be given authority by both the provinces and Dominion for the grading of honey;
 - (a) Such inspectors would be required for a total of about 40 days during the months of August, September and October.
 - (b) Inspectors should be appointed on a yearly basis
 - (c) Inspectors should receive a per diem allowance and travelling expenses.
 - (d) The estimate of inspectors required is as follows
Quebec, 3; Ontario, 6; Manitoba, 5; Saskatchewan, 6; Alberta, 5; British Columbia, 2.
 - (e) It was recommended that inspectors receive their salary from the province and their expenses from the Dominion Government.
4. Supervision of inspection services should be conducted by the Dominion Government.
5. All inspection fees should be collected by the Dominion Government.
6. Forms for the grading and certification of honey to be furnished by the Dominion Government and, when used provincially, be over-stamped by the province using them.
7. Owing to the fact that Ontario already has regulations for grading and a grading staff, this province would probably have to make other arrangements with the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

E.C. Martin

REPORT OF THE ADVERTISING COMMITTEE

Members present: J.N. Dymont (Chairman)
O. Paradis P.C. Colquhoun
H. Jones E. Braun
W.G. le Maistre F.R. Garland (ex officio)

National Advertising

On the basis of Motion #10 in last year's report, no national advertising was undertaken, but a proposed co-operative plan with the Department of Agriculture has been tentatively arranged at an estimated cost of \$6,000. to Council and a like amount for the Department. This campaign to commence approximately January 15th. Details of this plan are contained in a letter from Mr. A.M. Shaw to Mr. Garland, dated October 22, 1948, as follows:

"We have received today from the Canadian Advertising Agency, Montreal, the estimated costs of the proposed honey advertising campaign, a copy of which is enclosed for your information.

We feel that this proposed program is a rather good one and that the outline for radio spot announcements is fairly comprehensive and should cover the territory very well. On the basis of these estimated costs it will be noted that the share of the Beekeepers' Council would amount to about \$6,000.00.

Mr. Schofield of the Canadian Advertising Agency advises us it will take in the neighborhood of eight weeks to produce the display cards. That being the case we would suggest that the best time to put the campaign on would be about January 15th, especially in view of the fact that the Christmas holiday season intervenes.

As to the suitability of the proposed display cards and wording of the spot announcements as well as other advertising material, we will of course want your advice and approval before permission is given to go ahead with their production.

In the meantime we would be glad to have from you any observations or suggestions which you might care to make in regard to this undertaking."

Honey Advertising
Recapitulation of Costs

Display cards	\$5,200.00
Trade Letters and Merchandising	1,000.00
Radio (including production)	<u>5,741.21</u>
	<u>11,941.21</u>

ITEMIZED COST OF ADVERTISING

Production of 5000 large cards 15,000 small cards cut from same sheet (One French card to four English cards)	\$5,200.00
Preparation of Trade Letters and putting Merchandising men to work in Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$6,200.00

RADIO ESTIMATE

2 flash announcements per day - 5 days a week for 10 weeks.
(Total of 52 flash announcements) - Class "C" - 1 flash
during forenoon and 1 flash late afternoon.--

CFRB - Toronto, Ontario	\$1,235.00
CKAC - Montreal, Quebec	691.60
CFCF - Montreal, Quebec	421.20
CHRC - Quebec, Quebec	247.00
GKRP - Fort William, Port Arthur, Ontario	130.00
CKOC - Hamilton, Ontario	299.52
CFLP - London, Ontario	197.60
CKCO - Ottawa, Ontario	222.56
CKLW - Windsor, Ontario	312.00
CKX - Brandon, Manitoba	128.96
CKRC - Winnipeg, Manitoba	280.80
CKRM - Regina, Saskatchewan	224.64
CFQC - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	208.00
CFCN - Calgary, Alberta	187.20
CFRN - Edmonton, Alberta	260.00
CKWX - Vancouver, B.C.	280.80
CJVI - Victoria, B.C.	117.00

Recordings and pressings, voice,
shipping of discs and production

297.33
5,741.21

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the Council approve of the co-operative plan with the Department of Agriculture and authorize the expenditure of approximately \$6,000.00 for this purpose.

On the basis of Motion #11, 1947 Minutes, we beg to report that the Ontario Beekeepers' Association and the Manitoba Beekeepers' Association have availed themselves of this privilege and made displays at the Royal Winter Fair and Manitoba Provincial Exhibition but without any cost to the Canadian Beekeepers' Council. Similar plans were arranged in B.C. but unfortunately could not be consummated. We recommend that this plan of exhibiting be extended and encouraged.

A letter was forwarded to Miss Laura C. Pepper, Consumer Section, Marketing Service, as outlined in Motion #13. It is recommended that the Canadian Beekeepers' Council urge the Consumer Section to actively promote the use of honey.

RECIPE BOOKLETS:

A manuscript was prepared of the second copyright booklet but insufficient orders were received from member associations to permit going ahead with the printing. It is recommended that Council proceed with the printing of 50,000 copies at approximately six cents each.

The committee gave consideration to a plan on transportation advertising, the cost of which would be, for the principal cities of Canada, \$17,000 plus cards.

J. N. Dymont

REPORT OF CONTAINER LEVY COMMITTEE

Committee:

R. M. Pugh

W. G. le Maistre

The original duties of the Container Levy Committee were as follows:

- (a) Negotiations with the Container Companies
- (b) Direct appeals to beekeepers for support of levy
- (c) Publicity through Canadian Bee Journals

Since the appointment of a Publicity Committee last year, publicity and appeals have been taken over by that committee.

This has left only negotiations with Container Companies and as the levy collections were being made satisfactorily, there has been nothing for this Committee to do but stand by until needed.

During the past year, the publicity has been ineffective in encouraging and developing the support of the levy and as a result more and more private beekeepers, fearful that their neighbours are not supporting the levy, have also withdrawn their support until now we have a relatively small percentage of private support for the levy and Council is being largely financed in levy collections from the three Western Co-operatives.

You will recall that between 1939 and 1946, Council was financed on a quota assigned to each province. These were met fairly well.

In 1947 financing was to be by voluntary levy until last year, when a compulsory levy was introduced in Ontario.

At present, we have receipts from the complete support by the three Western Co-operatives, receipts from the payment of a voluntary levy in British Columbia, Quebec and other provinces and anticipate an amount as yet undisclosed, from the compulsory levy in Ontario.

This system of financing is a hodge podge, leaving the Council in an insecure position, unable to plan ahead and without adequate funds for advertising.

R. M. Pugh

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESENT FINANCIAL POSITION
and
BACKGROUND OF CONTRIBUTION BY PROVINCES

Committee:
W. G. le Maistre
R. M. Pugh

BALANCE ON HAND \$10,000.00

EXPENSES:

Annual Meeting	\$3,500.00	
Office	250.00	
Miscellaneous	50.00	
Travelling	500.00	
	<u>\$4,300.00</u>	
Advertising Commitment	6,000.00	10,300.00
Deficit		<u>300.00</u>

Summary of Provincial Allotments & Payments, 1943 - 1948

	<u>1943</u>		<u>1944</u>		<u>1945</u>		<u>1946</u>		<u>1947</u>	<u>1948</u>
	A.	Pd.	A.	Pd.	A.	Pd.	A.	Pd.	Container Levy	
Que.	\$425.-	(262.50)	490.-	(490)	415.-	(415)	408.-	(100.)		
Ont.	1150.-	(1150.)	1400.-	(1400)	1715.-	(1715.)	1658.-	(460.)		
Man.	675.-	(675.)	595.-	(595.)	443.-	(445.)	465.-	(465.)		
Sask.	300.-	(300.)	525.-	(552.68)	465.-	(472.)	459.-	(571.)		
Alta.	225.-	(225.)	350.-	(350.)	320.-	(320.)	375.-	(379.)		
B.C.	125.-	(125.)	140.-	(140.)	140.-	(140.)	131.-	(140.)	Total	Todate
	<u>3,000.</u>		<u>3,500.</u>		<u>3,500.</u>		<u>3,496</u>		6,393.	5,921.

A - Allotment
Pd - Paid

W. G. le Maistre

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

Committee- O. Paradis
C. C. Heighway

Mr. Heighway and myself were appointed a committee to draft a set of bylaws supplementary to, and in accordance with, the constitution of the Council. We added Mr. Garland, Mr. le Maistre and Mr. Gooderham to our committee.

Resolution Number 27 of the 1947 Minutes, gave very little direction regarding the purposes for which such intended bylaws were required. The mover and seconder of the Resolution were not available for consultation.

It was decided to present the following suggestions for consideration, and accumulate information during the ensuing year which would assist us in compiling suitable bylaws.

O. Paradis

The Following shall be known as the "Bylaws of the Canadian Beekeepers' Council":

Bonding - The Secretary-treasurer or treasurer shall be bonded with a recognized firm and shall be held responsible for all Council monies. The amount of the bond shall be determined by Council at their regular annual meeting.

Expenditures-

(1) No member or members of Council shall make any financial commitments in the name of the Council without due authority from the Executive.

(2) The Secretary-treasurer or treasurer, is authorized to pay all just accounts. In the event of any account amounting to more than \$1,000.00 the signature of the president as well as the treasurer shall be required on the cheque.

(3) Two or more cheques shall not be issued to achieve the same purpose.

Financial Report-

(1) At the close of each financial year, the treasurer shall prepare an audited financial Statement and supply each member with a copy of it.

(2) At each annual Council meeting, the treasurer shall present an interim financial Statement.

Budget

(1) Before the close of every annual meeting, the newly elected Executive shall present a budget for the expenditures for the coming year. This budget to be approved by a majority of members.

(2) Each item in the budget shall be approved separately by the Council and, having been approved, funds shall not be transferred to other items except as provided hereunder.

(3) In the event that the Executive considers it desirable to deviate from the budget as approved by members at the annual meeting, the Executive shall first obtain a vote from members either by calling a special meeting, or by holding a ballot by mail before making any changes in it.

In the event such vote favours a change in the budget, the secretary, on the first day of the next annual meeting, present a list of the members who voted for a change in the budget, and a list of those who voted against it.