

Garnet. The major complaint is in regard to the temper—that is the term used. In the tempering of Garnet wheat, a different process has to be used as compared with other wheats.

Mr. DONNELLY: That is just what I am pointing out, Mr. Chairman. It is not the strength of the Garnet, it is the temper. It takes a little longer time to be tempered to make good milling wheat. That is the whole complaint.

Mr. CARMICHAEL: I thought you were going to tell us that the board recommended either the changing in grade 2—

The WITNESS: I have not got to that yet, Mr. Carmichael.

Mr. CARMICHAEL: You have not reached that?

The WITNESS: No.

Mr. MOTHERWELL: You are not through?

The WITNESS: No.

Mr. CARMICHAEL: I shall be glad to hear your view on that.

The WITNESS: I was going to refer to the sections of the act. Section 1. It is proposed in section 1, line 15, to add "or varieties." When the board gave consideration to making separate grades for Garnet wheat, there seemed to be some doubt as to whether the western committee on grain standards had actually authority under the act, as it stood, to take such action. For that reason, section 1 has been introduced.

It is an amendment to section 26 of the Act, where it is proposed the committee, "shall cause to be prepared tentative standard samples of the statutory grades of western grain and of such commercial grades as it appears likely to be convenient to establish owing to the probability that the crop will include a substantial quantity of certain kinds or varieties. . . ."

Now, there seems to be some doubt as to whether the western committee could make special grades for different varieties, and therefore the words "or varieties" have been added. In section 2 you ask whether we are going to take Garnet out of No. 2 grade or No. 3. This is what is proposed under section 2:—

Schedule 1 of the said act is amended by striking out the words "Red Spring Wheat of good milling quality" in No. 2 Manitoba Northern under the main heading of "Variety of grain" and substituting therefor the words "Marquis or equal to Marquis."

Well now the act, in schedule 1, where these grades are described, "No. 1 hard" under the heading "Variety" says, "Marquis or equal to Marquis," No. 1 Northern Marquis or equal to Marquis, No. 2 Manitoba Northern says "Red Spring Wheat of good milling quality." Now, at the present time, Garnet and a number of other varieties could come in there. A sample of wheat might be 100 per cent Garnet and grade No. 2 Northern at the present time. It is proposed to strike that out and put "Marquis or equal to Marquis," so that under that definition Garnet would be excluded from No. 2 Manitoba Northern. The question is, why don't you change also No. 3 Northern which grades not quite so high as No. 2, where it says: "Spring wheat of good milling quality" to "Spring wheat of fair milling quality." Well, there are a number of considerations. I might say, frankly, I am not too confident that Garnet wheat graded separately will bring as much as No. 2 Northern wheat at the beginning until it has been tried out and its value has been established—I am not sure.

By Hon. Mr. Weir:

Q. Can you give us what the opinion of the trade would be on that?—A. As to whether it would bring—I really can not say what the trade opinion is, but personally, I would not be too confident that it would bring as much as No 2 Northern, but we recognize that Garnet wheat has some very decided advantages from the growers' point of view. It ripens earlier than most other