

*By Hon. Mr. Weir:*

Q. Would there not be a preference shown for Marquis?—A. The car order book comes in there.

*By Mr. Davies:*

Q. Would not all this put the Garnet growers in such a difficulty that it would put their product at a tremendous discount because that product was graded separately?—A. In the first place, the car order book was designed for protection on the basis of space and condition of grain. In view of the light crops we are experiencing and the large number of elevators available and out to do business, I do not think that that is a difficulty that should be anticipated. Elevator companies should be out to get business.

*By Mr. Garland:*

Q. Mr. Brouillette, have you ever worked in an elevator?—A. No.

Q. I am inclined to think you will find when there is a rush on that stored grain and special binned grain will be subject to a discrimination so far as Garnet is concerned. It is a very simple matter for the elevator agent at that time of the year to evade the strict observance of the Grain Act, and it is almost impossible for any grower to check him up on it without examining the bins.—A. I cannot speak for agents or other elevator companies, I can only speak for our own.

Hon. Mr. MOTHERWELL: Mr. Chairman, before there was any question at all regarding Garnet, here is the first official bulletin issued on Garnet by Dr. Newman and A. G. O. Whiteside, cereal advisors to the Minister of Agriculture, and in it is contained the report of a chemist, Mr. A. J. Banks. Mr. Banks is chemist for the Ogilvie Flour Mills, Montreal, and I will read some good things that he says and some bad things as well regarding Garnet:

The milling qualities may be disposed of in a very few words. They were satisfactory in all respects except flour colour.

That is before there was any propaganda around the country at all, just the honest opinion of the Ogilvie Flour Mills chemist. Then I will go on to a bad thing, if I can find one. Speaking of the colour:

This view is further emphasized by reference to the colour quality.

The decidedly strong yellow colour is a particularly unfavourable feature.

Then he goes on to say:

Garnet wheat would blend well with Marquis, and yield an excellent flour, probably one giving greater general satisfaction than that from straight Marquis.

With regard to the first statement, I think the Canadian miller has some justification except this, that he does not have to buy it. He has got innumerable other grades, and he should have the freedom to buy what he likes. This is a free country and the farmer should have the freedom too in the growing of Garnet if he wants to as long as someone will buy it at satisfactory prices. Apparently this gentleman is honest in his opinions and he has shown both sides, and I am reading both sides also. He says:—

Garnet wheat would blend well with Marquis.

That is before there was any rumpus or any propaganda:—

... any yield an excellent flour, probably one giving greater general satisfaction than that from straight Marquis.

Did you ever read that report or hear of it?

The WITNESS: Not recently