

Then there are inserted the name of the farmer who delivers the grain, the number of bushels and so forth. This hybrid ticket reads as follows: "Received into store, on account of the Alberta Wheat Producers Limited," instead of receiving it from the farmer. Consequently, the farmer is prevented from sending the grain to a terminal of his own choosing, because it has been received on account of the Alberta Wheat Producers Limited.

Mr. MALCOLM: Is my hon. friend pointing out that there has been substituted for the name of the farmer the name of the Alberta Wheat Producers Limited?

Mr. GARDINER: Yes.

Mr. MALCOLM: By consent of the board?

Mr. GARDINER: By consent of the board.

Mr. MALCOLM: And the board, I presume, gave their consent to that because the Alberta Wheat Producers Limited control the grain of the farmers who belong to the pool.

Mr. GARDINER: No, no. I have before me the contract which I signed, and so far as that contract goes, I defy any member of this house to show that I have to deliver my grain to the wheat pool at any given point, except under special instructions from them. It is within my power to deliver to a local elevator, if I so desire, or to ship in carload lots to a terminal elevator of my own choosing, or to deliver to the terminal of the pool. There is nothing to prevent my delivering the grain at any point I choose, except upon special request of the pool. That is the whole matter that is under discussion at the present time.

At six o'clock the house took recess.

After Recess

The house resumed at eight o'clock.

Mr. GARDINER: Mr. Speaker, when the house rose at six o'clock I was discussing the administration of the Grain Act by the Board of Grain Commissioners. As I have only another two or three minutes at my disposal I merely wish to make this concluding statement.

After reading the order in council passed by the government to bring the Grain Act into conformity with the amendment of 1927, I absolve the government of any responsibility for the "high power" tickets that were in use in western Canada last fall, and I place re-

sponsibility where responsibility belongs—on the Board of Grain Commissioners. Referring again to the special binned grain ticket, I would merely call the attention of the house once more to the part of the ticket which we believe the Board of Grain Commissioners are responsible for bringing into use:

Received into store from—

Then follows a space for the insertion of the name of the farmer who delivers the grain. The "hybrid" ticket which I have seen reads as follows:

Received into store on account of the Alberta Wheat Producers Limited.

We maintain that by virtue of such change being allowed the farmer was deprived of the right of controlling the destination of his grain, and to that extent the change is a violation of the Canada Grain Act. We submit that the Board of Grain Commissioners are responsible for this violation, and therefore we ask that the present board be dismissed—no question about that—and that a new board be appointed. We suggest that the board be increased from three to five members, and that one of those members reside in Alberta and another in Saskatchewan. We recognize the influence of environment. Two of the present grain commissioners live at Fort William and the third at Winnipeg, and in their environment we believe that they are likely to be impressed by the grain trade to too large an extent. Consequently, for safety, we maintain that the board should be increased to five members, one of whom should reside in Alberta and another in Saskatchewan.

My time having elapsed, Mr. Speaker, I may be permitted to add that we farmers in western Canada hope that this house and the government will assist us in preserving our rights under the Canada Grain Act.

Mr. JEAN-FRANCOIS POULIOT (Témiscouata) (Translation): Mr. Speaker, my first duty is to extend to you my sincerest congratulations for the magnificent series of lectures which you have lately delivered at the Sorbonne. Indeed, sir, although a great number of eminent lecturers were heralded at the time, your lecture was always looked upon as "the lecture". Each week your audience comprised the "élite" of the French people because your course bore the symbolism of the great fresco of Puvis de Chavannes and the realism of "tableaux vivants." You have given proof to France that French Canada never forgets. At the same time, your experience as a statesman has enabled you to point out the close connection of events, the why and the wherefore, the relation existing