

*By the Chairman:*

Q. These figures are supplied by the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome are they?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. I think Mr. Richardson must have been mistaken, or else he has taken years rather than acres. When he made the statement it certainly did not agree with my understanding of the figures?—A. I did not notice his figures, were they for the same period?

Hon. Mr. RALSTON: He gave percentages.

The CHAIRMAN: He gave percentages; said there had been increased acreage in the Argentine and Australia; at the expense of Canada, were the words he used, if I remember right.

The WITNESS: That is not the fact.

The CHAIRMAN: I remember when the Wheat conference met the figures were quite different from that. However, these are figures you have taken from the Agricultural Institute at Rome.

The WITNESS: Yes, sir.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. You are quite sure as to the correctness of these figures as shown by the reports of that Institute?—A. They should be correct.

Q. I mean, you have taken them off correctly?—A. I think I have, yes.

Q. Yes. I did not follow you quite; you said that we sold this year, or last year I think you said, 35 per cent of the United Kingdom requirements of wheat; is that right?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Have you the figures of the percentages for previous years?—A. I am sorry, I haven't.

Q. But you have one year and said we sold—?—A. I merely made a comparison between this year and last year.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes.

*By Mr. Vallance:*

Q. Would that be our quota, 35 per cent?—A. Our quota, of course, covers all the world.

Q. As far as Great Britain is concerned our quota should be that?—A. I think that is a fair consideration, 35 per cent is a large percentage.

*By Hon. Mr. Stewart:*

Q. You have said there was one year when we had 50 per cent?—A. 1932-33.

*By Hon. Mr. Ralston:*

Q. Was what?—A. 50 per cent.

The CHAIRMAN: Our position in world shipments according to reports furnished us indicated the highest in 15 years was 48 per cent of the entire world shipments; however, that is not a matter of moment.

*By Mr. Lucas:*

Q. I understood you to say that the Argentine crop was mostly sold afloat?—A. A good deal of it, yes.

Q. Have you any idea what percentage of Canadian wheat is sold afloat, if any?—A. Apart from the wheat that goes out from Vancouver the percentage is not very large; although, I think probably there is a little more in recent years; but really, the Vancouver wheat is largely put afloat before it is sold on account of the long distance.