

Q. Is it contracted for or had the wheat board accepted that?—A. The agents of the board have bought it from the producers for our account, but we do not pay for it until it is actually delivered.

Q. That is included in the 99,000,000?—A. Yes.

*By Mr. Evans:*

Q. What were the total deliveries of wheat for the crop year 1941-42 in western Canada?

Mr. McIVOR: 227·9 million bushels.

Mr. EVANS: The difference between what the board handled and the total deliveries must be handled by the private companies?

Mr. McIVOR: That is right.

Mr. DOUGLAS: What percentage is that for the year, roughly?

Mr. McIVOR: The total figure is 227·9 million bushels of which the board handled 99,500,000 bushels.

Mr. DOUGLAS: About 45 per cent.

Mr. McIVOR: Yes, roughly.

Mr. DOUGLAS: That is below the average, is it not?

The WITNESS: The previous year it was much heavier because the board price and the market price were very close throughout the year.

The CHAIRMAN: Can we proceed with page 13?

The WITNESS: The first table you see at the top of the page shows the ultimate disposition of the wheat which we handled for that crop year; it shows the bushelage shipped to the head of the lakes, to Vancouver, the interior terminals and the mills, the quantity sold at country elevators, and the balance in store in the country as of the date of the balance sheet.

Mr. PERLEY: Was all that wheat shipped to the mills ground in Canada into flour and sold in Canada?

The WITNESS: We have no control of it, of course, after we sell it; but I imagine it is almost exclusively ground in Canada.

*By Mr. Donnelly:*

Q. What was sold at the country elevators? Who bought it?—A. The mills and the producers.

Q. At the country elevators?—A. Yes. It is shipped from the country elevators direct to the mills.

*By Mr. Perley:*

Q. What do you mean by producers?—A. The producers buy some wheat, feed and seed—both.

*By Mr. Diefenbaker:*

Q. There was some question some months ago with regard to certain sales, rejected sales to Mexico; would that be the 1941 crop?—A. No; that might be from either crop.

Q. What was the amount of that? Will you tell the committee the situation with regard to that wheat sold to Mexico and subsequently cancelled in part?

Mr. McIVOR: I believe that transaction was in the fall of 1942.

Mr. DIEFENBAKER: What wheat did that represent?

Mr. McIVOR: In all there was about—

Mr. DIEFENBAKER: I am interested because there were so many stories told about that wheat. The matter has never been dealt with except casually in the house.