

REPORT TO THE HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, July 15, 1959.

The Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization has the honour to present the following as its

THIRD REPORT

On June 12, 1959, the House of Commons referred to this Committee the Report of the Canadian Wheat Board for the crop year 1957-58 and the Supplementary Report of the Canadian Wheat Board for the 1957-58 Pool Accounts. The Annual Report of the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada for the year 1958 was also referred to this Committee at the same time.

Your Committee carefully examined and approved the operations of the Canadian Wheat Board and the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada.

In presenting this report we would like to draw to the attention of the Board of Grain Commissioners that some elevators give higher grades than others for the same grain in various locations, and it is the opinion of the Committee that grading of grain should be more uniform in all elevators.

Your Committee recommends that provision should be made for the regular inspection of moisture testers by the Board of Grain Commissioners.

It is further the opinion of the Committee that Clause 7 of Chapter 9 of the Report of the Inquiry into Distribution of Railway Box Cars (Bracken Commission) should be implemented in time for the 1959-60 crop year.

It is felt that the Wheat Board and the Board of Grain Commissioners should make every effort to have every elevator weighed over each year.

The Committee is concerned that rapeseed is not presently under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Wheat Board. In this regard, your Committee wishes to make a recommendation based on the following precepts:

Firstly, under the Revised Statutes of Canada 1952—Volume I, Chapter 25, "*An Act respecting Grain*", and, as stated in Schedule One, Statutory Grades of *Western Grain*—Rapeseed is defined as grain.

Secondly, under the Revised Statutes of Canada 1952—Volume II, Chapter 44, the "*Canadian Wheat Board Act*", Clause 2, Section (e)—"*grain*" includes wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed. This clause definitely states it shall include wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed; it does not state "*grain*" means only wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed.

It is felt that an amendment to the Canadian Wheat Board Act to bring rapeseed under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Wheat Board would now be justified; therefore your Committee strongly recommends that legislation be implemented accordingly.

The Committee further recommends that the whole question of feed mills and their position in the grain trade should be clarified and, if necessary, new legislation introduced.