

Q. I gather the impression that the producer of Garnet was in the position that if it were graded separately he was faced with the possibility of getting 10 cents a bushel less than he is getting now. Am I wrong in that assumption?—A. Well, possibly you have not got the whole story. When the matter was up in 1932 the Grain Exchange refused to have anything to do with it as far as making it deliverable, and it is their business to set the spread. That is one of the reasons why the suggestion has been made that a real effort should be made to establish the wheat in Europe where it would find its own value. You cannot sell it as 2 Northern now. But here is another feature: The importer says I will try some of that, I am going to buy it cheaply and see what it is made of. Would not that be your reaction?

Q. What I was wondering is if you had changed your attitude since 1932 in respect of that spread, or are you still of the same opinion?—A. I cannot give you a definite opinion, and after all it would only be an opinion of whether it would be 3 cents or 10 cents.

Q. I am not saying you stated it as a fact, but my recollection is you stated it as a possibility.—A. Under certain conditions it is quite a possibility in my opinion.

*By Hon. Mr. Motherwell:*

Q. In the report of Dr. Newman and Dr. Burkard following the shipment to the Old Country of Garnet wheat, I think it was in 1929, wheat grown in 1928, we heard of very few complaints reported as to the unsuitability of Marquis and Garnet properly tempering together for grinding purposes.—A. I do not know, Mr. Motherwell.

Q. You do not know?—A. No. I asked some of the millers in Europe the result of that experiment, but they said 500 bushels was a laboratory experiment, and if you are going to give us Garnet to try out commercially you have got to give us 16 to 20,000 bushels so that we can mix it and sell it to the baker.

Hon. Mr. MOTHERWELL: We can easily have that report here another day, Mr. Chairman. The statement has been made here that we cannot blend and condition Marquis with Garnet, but the fact is that especially in the Old Country they have been doing those things for hundreds of years, grinding all kinds of wheat, every kind of wheat grown under the sun, and still some say they cannot condition for milling Marquis and Garnet when blended, say 50-50. In the Old Country they have up-to-date machinery to do the tempering and conditioning, but let them put in the same tempering machinery here in Canada such as they have in the Old Country and they will overcome the difficulty.

The WITNESS: You mean in the laboratories?

*By Hon. Mr. Motherwell:*

Q. No, in their mills.—A. But they cannot blend it, and that is what I understand all the fracas is about.

Q. My recollection is that there was not one official complaint made to Dr. Newman or Dr. Burkard to indicate that there was any difficulty in the blending and conditioning of Marquis and Garnet.

Hon. Mr. WEIR: Did not the millers tell us that last year?

Hon. Mr. MOTHERWELL: Yes, and when they cannot get Garnet to blend with Marquis they get something else, but here is a man who makes no complaint. Let me read that again. Mr. Banks, the chemist for the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company, distinctly states:—

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