

time is a trifle stronger possibly in that we certainly consider that Garnet should have a separate grading.

Now, our experience over the last four or five years—particularly the last three when we have had so much evidence of Garnet being discriminated against by the buyer—is, first, that the discrimination did not show so much in the form of a discrimination against Garnet as a discrimination against number 2, and certain gentlemen were somewhat reluctant to place the blame on any particular variety or name. In the last year and a half or two years more of them have come out and made no bones about it that it is the Garnet in our number 2 that they object to. Now, I have no doubt that you have ample evidence before you from technical men in regard to the difference in the milling of Garnet and Marquis—not necessarily a difference in quality, but a difference in the method to be pursued. Not long ago there appeared before our board the manager of the Robin Hood Mills in Calgary, and we were asking him some questions about this Garnet. He took us over to the mill and showed us various samples of bread baked from Garnet and blends of Garnet and so forth, and he made the pretty definite statement that they experienced very great difficulty in milling Garnet and Marquis mixed. Probably this is all old to you, but it was direct evidence of what we had always heard before that the trouble is in the tempering of the wheat. As you all know they use a great deal of water in tempering the wheat to soak the wheat sufficiently to remove the bran. It seems that Garnet takes a great deal more soaking than Marquis or Reward before the bran can be removed. So if they get a mixture of Marquis and Garnet and if they soak it sufficiently well to remove the bran from the Marquis it will not remove the bran satisfactorily from the Garnet, and vice versa, if they soak the wheat to take the bran from the Garnet in a satisfactory manner it makes almost a mash out of the Marquis which makes the Marquis entirely too soft and wet. To my mind that is one of the outstanding reasons why the miller has a grievance against Garnet and Marquis mixed. Whether he prefers Garnet or Marquis separately, he certainly does not want them mixed. The Canadian mills have always tried not to use Garnet if they could help it. In fact, for three years we have found it difficult in regard to our western crop to sell the Canadian mills any number 2 unless we could definitely stipulate that it contained no Garnet. One of their objections to it, aside from this one I have mentioned of the processing, is the fact that it makes a yellow flour for which there is, apparently, not very much demand in Canada. It is argued against that, I know by some, that that does not cut any figure because they can bleach it; but these gentlemen at the Robin Hood Mills showed us samples of bread made from bleached Garnet flour, and as they said, and you could plainly see it, the bleached Garnet flour is not at all satisfactory; indeed, it does not bleach white or yellow white, but it bleaches a sort of grey which does not make a nice looking loaf at all. So they have made a definite statement against it unless they can get it segregated. This gentleman told us he would like to use some Garnet—he had been trying experiments with it—and that there might be a place for it, but it must be segregated.

Those are the main reasons. There is also the fact that a great many times, particularly in a year when the Marquis section of our country suffers from drought and from light crop, we find a decided discrimination against our Twos out of Vancouver. If we have a good crop all over the provinces—particularly a good crop in the Marquis regions—it is nothing like so perceptible. The crop of 1932 was a fairly good crop—I think, if anything a better crop in the Marquis regions than in the Garnet regions, possibly—and those spreads which had prevailed the year before practically disappeared, I presume due to the fact that a far greater volume of Marquis went through Vancouver and the Garnet was nothing like so noticeable. This past year, the 1933 crop, where the Marquis sections had a very light crop, the situation has stuck out again like a sore thumb, and we have discrimination against Twos out