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Conjuny and the United Grain Growers Limited the price farmers get for wheat has been raised by from three to five cents a bushel, say \$30 a car. How foolish for any farmer to ship his grain elsewhere through the advice of a neighboring farmer, enabling the latter to put from \$5 to \$10 commission into his own nocket through the advice of a neighboring farmer, enabling the latter to put from \$5 to \$10 commission into his own pocket as a reward for dislovalty. A farmer who is turned against his own company is fooled. Fixing the grade, the weighing and dockage are all done outside. No company buying our wheat can affect or after these to our gain. And if a farmer will only thoroughly examine into it he will find no party gives a higher price than the Winnipeg Grain Exchange price. I have tested this repeatedly and found it as stated. The truth is that farmers gain all along in standing by their own co-operative elevator or the United Grain Growers Limited. In-Saskatchewan the local co-operative elevator has an agent in the person of the operator on the spot and I have found he can do all any other agent can, except perhaps he gives a somewhat smaller advance on a car. This, however, is a trifling matter.

OBSERVER.

### ENCOURAGE WHEAT PRODUCTION

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Editor, Guide:—As a farmer will you let me express my opinion re the setting of prices on grain. The result will be less effort and less production for 1918. Harvest was early this year with ideal fall weather to prepare land for the next crop, but does the government think the farmers are such fools as to work on such an uncertainty and let the combines and trusts go on charging him the same old prices which are going up and soon would be ahead of \$2.21 a bushel for wheat? They can set the price at 50 cents a bushel if they please, but everything we have to buy will have to come down to that level and then leave an inducement to produce as much as possible in this national crisis. Something has got to be done quick or it will be shown in the preparation and acreage of 1918.

Now, just a few lines on grading. They do not grade our wheat according to law. No matter what weight our wheat is, color is the principal point. My experience last year was that wheat going 63 pounds to the bushel should have graded No. 2, but they gave me No. 3, and my lust car they couldn't grade it less so they made it No. 3 tough so as to get as much as possible out of me. I lost the price between No. 2 and No. 3 on 8,000 bushels of wheat. How is it, Mr. Minister of Justice, that millers are allowed to buy wheat graded No. 3 and sell it after milling as No. 1 flour. I may mention that most of my wheat went to Calgary to fill up the government's White Elephant Elevator. Not another bushel of my wheat goes to Calgary. We get it in the neck by Winnipeg grading, but in Calgary it is worse still. Now is the time for the government to take hold, or after threshing is done they will find a lot of farmers on the coast or down in California, instead of preparing land for the next crop. We want to know where we are at so as not to find ourselves without a dollar after the 1918 crop. We've worked too long on dead horses to be fooled again.

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WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

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Editor, Guide:—In your reference to the post office savings banks in two recent issues you seem to have overlooked the fact that the government now has on sale War Savings Certificates at every bank and money order post office in Canada, and these can be procured for as small a sum as \$8.60. They bear interest at over five per cent per annum. By this scheme the government has not only made, use of the post office to secure them funds, but also has obtained the co-operation of the banks. One cannot enter many banks in Canada now without theing confronted with the very striking advertisements which are used by the department of finance to forward this scheme. The branch banks are assisting this plan to the best of their ability. In one small village a chartered bank branch has procured over \$25,500 for the government since this system was inaugurated early in 1917, and I am sure that this is no exception. Doubtless this fall many thousands of these certificates will find their way into the hands of the Western farmers.

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