

This reference is to either pass the Bill or amend it in whatever form the committee desires; we are not in a position to make a report.

The WITNESS: I do not know your procedure.

*By Mr. Vallance:*

Q. You mentioned the fact that you are not in the export business but you sell to exporters. Is that the position of the pool to-day?—A. Not entirely.

Q. Roughly speaking would you export 50 per cent?—A. No.

Q. You would sell more to an exporter than you would export?—A. Yes.

Q. What I am trying to get at is this: the evidence that has been adduced so far has shown that a greater content of Garnet goes out from the Pacific coast on the average than goes out from the Atlantic.—A. That was number 1. The others have not been shipped.

The CHAIRMAN: Have you finished your statement, Mr. Brouillette?

The WITNESS: There was some reference made to millers. For your information I would suggest that you consider our Canadian millers one of our important customers as their total grind of our total production during the last five years runs all the way from 5.5 per cent to around 23 per cent of the total crop produced, of which we supplied from 3 to 4 million bushels last year and the year before.

*By Hon. Mr. Weir:*

Q. You spoke of commercial shipments on a large scale. Would your association give all the support it could to obtaining the largest possible shipments and the largest proportion of Garnet possible?—A. Yes. We did on the previous shipment. We would be glad to do it again.

Q. Might I suggest here for the benefit of Mr. Newman or whoever makes these growing tests that special care be taken that the wheat which is now in Churchill have very representative samples of both number 1 Northern and number 2 Northern to see the content of Garnet that is in both or in each. That might be very valuable?—A. Yes. There was a point brought up by Mr. Vallance. It may be a little aside from the question; but it is well for us to keep in mind that during the last few years from 75 to 80 per cent of our wheat that goes into export is now being handled by international grain firms. A few years ago that figure was more or less reversed—about 75 or 80 per cent was handled by Canadian firms and there was probably more of a direct interest.

Witness retired.

Mr. LEW HUTCHINSON, called.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. Mr. Hutchinson, will you state your occupation?—A. I am vice-chairman of the board of directors of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

Q. Have you a statement to make?—A. We were requested to give evidence in regard to this matter just as we were two years ago. I believe our chairman, Mr. Wood, was called at first, but owing to not feeling able to make the long and weary trip here and back Mr. Wood begged to be excused and arrangements were made to substitute myself for him, which I understand has been accepted and is agreeable to the committee. I might say it fell to my lot two years ago to give evidence before this same committee on the same question, and the evidence I gave is on your records; and in looking over that evidence the other day I could not see anything in it that I would not be perfectly willing to give to-day. In fact, our evidence on this Garnet question if not the same as it was at that