

are becoming an increasingly large problem in the field of addiction, even with non-professional addicts.

Mr. McCLEAVE: Mr. Chairman, my question concerns the catching of the people who are doing the smuggling. Is it the general experience that these are confirmed criminals, or are they amateur smugglers who have been brought into the smuggling trade?

Mr. HAMMOND: From the records before us, and from the police reports of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police that we receive, it would seem that the people who are involved in smuggling heroin are those who have long criminal records of anti-social activities. They are not juniors of any kind. They are well entrenched in crime.

Mr. McCLEAVE: Then, a further question; would these be addicts themselves, or people who use this to sell to addicts?

Mr. HAMMOND: The importers are not usually addicts themselves, very definitely. They are the king-pins in crime, in criminal activities.

Mr. FAIRFIELD: I wonder if you, Mr. Chairman, or someone could give us the figures as to the percentage of non-addicts who have been addicted because of medical treatment?

Mr. MONTEITH (*Perth*): I think the list is something like 275 out of 3,408 for 1959.

Mr. FAIRFIELD: So that it is not really a very great danger, so far as treatment in hospitals is concerned?

Mr. MONTEITH (*Perth*): I suppose every additional addict is actually a danger.

Mr. CATHERS: Have you any figures showing at what port of entry you have caught the most, or the greatest number of smugglers?

The CHAIRMAN: This is very interesting, gentlemen, but I think it is actually under the Department of Justice, is it not?

Mr. MONTEITH (*Perth*): If Mr. Hammond has the answer, perhaps he would give it.

Mr. HAMMOND: We have not anything. This is a matter that is difficult for even the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to establish, in connection with the activities of these criminal people.

Mr. CATHERS: Well, is it coming from the United States, from the Pacific, or from where?

Mr. HAMMOND: At the present time it may be coming from central European countries; but this is not definite.

Mr. VIVIAN: Mr. Chairman, is our representative on the narcotics commission of the United Nations a member of this department, or is he a member of the Department of Justice?

Mr. CURRAN: Our representative on the United Nations narcotics commission is Mr. Hossick, who was former chief of the division of narcotics control in this department. He has been retained on a part-time consultant basis, for this particular work.

Mr. VIVIAN: It seems to me there is some risk of this matter falling between two wheels. I am not suggesting that it is. However, there is one question we might properly ask here; other questions might be asked of the Department of Justice, with this one exception.

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any further questions? If not, shall the item carry?

Item agreed to.