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Mr. REID: That relates to other corporations. Is this something new or is it the same in other cases that the Governor in Council can fix the par value of shares? Is this something new?

Mr. SYMINGTON: No, it is the same thing.

Hon. Mr. Howe: The only money these subsidiary companies can get is money advanced to them by Trans-Canada Air Lines.

Mr. JACKMAN: And fix the various capital powers; it has no relation to the \$25,000,000?

Mr. SYMINGTON: None at all. That is the Trans-Canada capitalization. We apply for a charter just as in any private company, and they say that the stock of this company shall be divided into so many shares of such and such a value. The Governor in Council says what it shall be.

Mr. JACKMAN: Here you can make it \$100,000,000 if you want to?

Mr. SYMINGTON: We would not have \$100,000,000 to invest because we can only invest from our own capital which is limited—to \$25,000,000.

Mr. JACKMAN: Following that up may I reiterate again what I think I covered yesterday, that none of that \$25,000,000 can be spent on capital account or operating account without coming before this committee, as the procedure is now, and having it authorized by parliament?

Mr. SYMINGTON: I do not know that. I say that the government cannot give the money to Trans-Canada without it being authorized by parliament so to do. That is all. That is done at the present time with the railway. The railway puts in a budget of the money which it requires and that is passed by parliament.

Mr. JACKMAN: Parliament has a look at it anyway.

Mr. SYMINGTON: It does to-day, certainly.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall the section carry?

Carried.

Section 22.

Hon. Mr. Howe:

22. The persons named in any declaration under section twenty of this Act shall be provisional directors of the corporation. The CHAIRMAN: Is that all right?

Carried.

Section 23.

Hon. Mr. Howe:

23. The head office of the corporation shall be such city as the directors may select.

The CHAIRMAN: Is that all right?

Carried.

Section 24.

Hon. Mr. Howe:

24. The shares of any company incorporated under section twenty of this Act shall be offered for subscription to Trans-Canada Air Lines at par.

Mr. JACKMAN: Does that mean exclusively? It is not likely to be offered to anybody else.

Hon. Mr. Howe: We have authority to offer 49 per cent to outside people if we want to.