

Is it not possible that the Members of your Committee be informed of the accuracy of my statements, notwithstanding the harsh contradiction by one of the Honourable Members?

I beg to remain, Sir,

Yours very truly,

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTORS,

Geo. E. Bernard,

Past President and

Member of Used Equipment Committee.

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P.O. Box 220, Montreal, Canada

10th JUNE, 1960

Allan Macnaughton, Esq., Q.C., M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa,
Ontario.

Dear Mr. Macnaughton:

According to reports of a recent meeting of the Commons Public Accounts committee, the so-called manufacture in Canada of construction machinery and equipment consists merely of the assembly in Canada of parts and components imported from other countries.

This is not true.

We have been manufacturing power cranes and shovels in Canada since 1931 and in sizes up to and including those having a normal dipper capacity of 3 cubic yards.

Of a total work force of 2100, 265 are engaged in the manufacture of power cranes and shovels in normal times. Today the figure is 100.

The power units are of a size and capacity not made in Canada. They have a value of from \$4,000.00 to \$9,000.00 depending upon the size of the machine. They are imported from the United States.

Including the power units, the Canadian content of the complete machines would vary from 85% in the smallest size to 92% in the largest size.

Excluding the power units the Canadian content would be practically 99%. The only parts we import are a few special bearings.

Yours very truly,

Hugh Crombie,

Vice President and Treasurer

HC/yr

c.c. Mr. Geo. Bernard