

The CHAIRMAN: It should come before the committee itself.

The WITNESS: Yes, no objection. We are willing to disclose anything to the committee, but there are certain matters that might embarrass different individuals.

The CHAIRMAN: You will have that list?

The WITNESS: I will have it prepared. When would you like it, sir?

Mr. BEYNON: As soon as you could conveniently get it. I would like to have it before the Easter recess.

The WITNESS: I think that could be arranged. I will see that they are sent. The accountant department will have to send them. The salaries are all paid by the Treasury Board; they are not paid direct.

Mr. GAGNON: We shall have a meeting before the Easter recess.

Mr. CARDIN: In case my questions should be taken as a critical statement of Station CRCM, I desire to state before Mr. Charlesworth that, as far as that statement is concerned, I am satisfied. I think the programs that come from that station are, if not better, comparable to any programs issued by any other station. In my poor judgment they are better programs than any others we have.

The WITNESS: Thank you, sir.

Mr. GAGNON: Before Mr. Charlesworth retires, may I ask something? Of course I do not want to put Mr. Charlesworth or his associates under any embarrassment, but my own private feeling is that Parliament ought to put at the disposal of the commission all the money collected from the licence owners. I do not want to embarrass you, but may I ask if the commission is of the same opinion?

The WITNESS: We are agreeable to getting all the money we can lay hands on.

Mr. BEYNON: And more.

The WITNESS: You can't hurt my feelings that way.

Mr. GAGNON: As I understand it, at the last meeting—Mr. Cardin was not here—you stated that one of the major sources of interference was the existence of high-powered stations in Mexico.

The WITNESS: Col. Steel gave evidence of that.

By Mr. Gagnon:

Q. You stated one of the best methods of relieving the situation would be to establish high-powered stations in eastern and western Canada?—A. Yes.

Q. It was said also that the cost of such a station would be approximately \$400,000?—A. I think that is what Col. Steel said.

Q. So that if parliament gives you only \$1,000,000 a year, would you be able to, after providing for your other expenses, build one high powered station?—A. No, we would not. You see, last year our programs cost us approximately—I have the figures here, I am speaking for this whole year. It will cost us approximately \$300,000 and then almost an equal sum in transmission charges.

Q. Yes.—A. And \$330,000, I think the programs were something like that; and then when you take all the other charges, administration, looking after advertising and the many other things we have to do it would not leave any money for construction. You can see by the small sum we have spent on construction this year what little we have for that purpose.

By Mr. Wright:

Q. But during this last year you have two or three hundred dollars of expenditures by your studios in Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver that you would not have another year.—A. I am not speaking definitely but suppose we