

some development system could be worked out, and not necessarily in all types of industry, maybe there is enough assistance to some of the raw natural resources industries, but perhaps we need some assistance that is specific for the development of what is commonly called secondary industries or production of finished goods or agriculture in the outlying areas.

Now, there are all sorts of points one can enlarge upon. I do not think I should say any more at this time. We will try to follow this up with a brief which will utilize material which we have submitted to the provincial government, as well as to yourselves, on previous occasions, but aimed at an over-all point of view. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Kilgour, do you have any comments to make at this time?

Mr. A. C. KILGOUR (*North Bay, Ontario*): Yes, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. My name is A. C. Kilgour, and I actually do not represent the Northeastern Development Association but, rather, the Northeastern Ontario Chambers of Commerce and I am president of that association. My vocation is real estate in North Bay. I concur with many of the things that Mr. Cram has pointed out.

I think, as far as designated areas are concerned, that they represent a very unfair type of competition to the undesignated areas. We have seen this on innumerable occasions in northern Ontario, and I think it applies to any undesignated area in the north of Canada. I think in the first hundred years of Confederation we have developed a borderland with the United States which is not more than 100 miles deep and I would like to think, in line with what Mr. Cram has already mentioned, that the next hundred years might belong to the next 100 miles. I think we have the resources for development and I also think that with the population explosion that is foreseen occurring in the world that it would be better to have a development by Canadians and invited guests rather than to have people come in and develop it for us. I do not think the world 50 years from now would allow a vacuum, such as we presently have in Canada, to occur for very many years. It just cannot be. We cannot be so selfish as to believe that we will not have 25 or even 35 million people in 50 years occupying this area where we are located, which consists of some of the best lands which exist on this globe. So, I think it would be better to have an invited dinner guest than somebody else coming in, otherwise we will be up to our armpits in black, yellow and brown races. I do not think we can avoid that and I think we should realize that we cannot selfishly expect to occupy this amount of the world without bringing in immigrants in large quantities. The most prosperous times in the United States—and in Canada, for that matter—were times of high import of citizens.

We have the facilities. We have an overabundance of railways but we are busy closing them down. Why do we not use them and put people on them? We seem to have an idea that we should be subsidized in some manner. Designation of areas is a subsidy to industry in those areas. We have the necessary water resources to produce hydro, and the country is now spending vast sums of money on developing high voltage lines to take our power out of the north country to the south. Similarly, we are bringing gas from the west through northern Ontario. I know this is a point that Mr. Peters has been dwelling on at length in the house. We are close to the source of both electrical power and gas, and yet we are not enjoying any special rates because of the fact that we are close to those sources. Rather, there is an equalization and the people in southern Ontario enjoy the same electrical rate as we do in northern