

*By the Chairman:*

Q. Would you indicate a little in the way of details as to the medical examinations?—A. The medical examination would be one which satisfies the medical examiners that he is in good health in relation to his age. If he fails to pass the medical, he may not elect. But if he may come up for a second or more medicals at a later date.

Q. Who are the medical examiners?—A. The medical examiners are normally those of the Department of Health and Welfare, although if he was outside of Ottawa where there were no Health and Welfare doctors available, we would rely upon Health and Welfare to nominate the medical officers concerned.

Q. In the event of an unfavourable medical, is there any appeal to any other medical board?—A. It is not provided for by the Act.

Q. You say it is not provided for by the Act. But is there any provision in the regulations for it?—A. I think not, no.

*By Mr. Fraser:*

Q. Could he come back in six months time and have another?—A. Yes, he could come up as often as he likes. I do not suppose they would look favourably on his coming up every other day, but I believe he could come every six months, for instance.

Q. Would he be charged for it, or would that be done gratis?—A. Health and Welfare does the examining free of charge, I believe.

*By Mr. McCusker:*

Q. Is that statement correct that Health and Welfare will be responsible for appointing the physicians?—A. In Ottawa they are done by officers of the Department of Health and Welfare.

Q. What ones?—A. They have quite a large number. I know Doctor Ratz.

Q. Yes, Doctor Ratz has a very small detachment which looks after the health of those who are sick. The civil servants who are sick go there, and as they are checked out they are told to go and see their physicians. They may be given an X-ray examination. If that board is set up for the purpose for which you state, it will have to be enlarged?—A. At the present time the Civil Service Act requires that every person coming on to the civil service staff must have a medical examination. All I can say is that there are, I presume, scores of medical examinations being given every week.

*By Mr. Brooks:*

Q. Once he makes his election and has his medical examination, is there any subsequent medical examination after that?—A. I am sorry, I did not get your question.

Q. I said: Once he makes his election and has his medical examination, is there any subsequent medical examination after that at any time?—A. Not so far as this Act is concerned.

Q. That is what I meant.

Mr. McCUSKER: They will not have to report from year to year for a re-examination?

The WITNESS: If it came to the question of disability, there is the right of re-examination there.

Mr. BROOKS: No matter what the physical condition is, so long as he is employed, he carries on?

The WITNESS: Yes. There is a regular health service which provides for general health supervision of civil servants, but that has nothing to do with this Act.