

Q. But you could for the railway workers?—A. Yes, I can supply that, so far as the railway workers are concerned.

Mr. WOODSWORTH: I would suggest that we have Mr. Mosher for a few minutes at some other session to give us this information.

By the Chairman:

Q. You could do that?—A. Yes, sir, I will try to be at your service any time at all.

By Mr. Bell (St. John-Albert):

Q. I would like you to give us a little more definite information with regard to unemployment. You have given us figures for a year or so back, September, 1927, and I would like you to bring those figure up to date?—A. If there are reports from the Department of Labour, or the Bureau of Statistics, later than September, 1927, we can bring them up to date, but I am not sure whether there are or not.

By Mr. McMillan:

Q. The Labour Department issues a monthly report.—A. It does issue a monthly report, but the Labour Department does not deal with this particular phase of it every month.

By the Chairman:

Q. You said there were about fourteen or fifteen thousand railway employees in your organization, and only about seven or eight hundred took advantage of the group insurance?—A. That is group insurance for sickness and accident.

Q. Does that mean that all the other men have absolutely no insurance at all, except individual insurance?—A. Unless they have bought it individually.

Q. You have no idea of how many have individual insurance?—A. No.

By Mr. Letellier:

Q. What scheme would you recommend, Mr. Mosher, in order to realize from the employers the higher salaries in favour of the unemployees?—A. From my experience, there is only one satisfactory scheme, and that is for the workers to organize more thoroughly. In my opinion labour organization is the only hope of higher salaries.

Q. The same as the railroad unions?—A. Yes, and even there there could be better organization.

By the Chairman:

Q. In some industries that is not exactly true, is it? Are not the employees in some industries being paid splendidly?—A. When you say "splendidly" I am afraid to say No. I cannot agree with you.

Q. Have you looked into the printing and publishing business?—A. Yes. We have a printing and publishing plant in connection with our Brotherhood, and we know it, and we know the wages very well. I do not think any of them are paid splendidly. When you realize that according to the decent living standard budget it requires approximately \$2,200 a year for a family of five to live on properly, we cannot consider that anyone in the printing industry is being paid splendidly.

Q. Could you give us any of the inside facts regarding the salaries which are paid?—A. Yes. I can give you the union rates which are paid.

The CHAIRMAN: I would not mind having some of these placed on the record.

Witness retired.

The Committee adjourned until Thursday, April 19, 1928, at 11 a.m.