

EVIDENCE

APRIL 9, 1953.

3.30 p.m.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, I see a quorum. Your sub-committee on agenda met just previous to this meeting and considered our work for subsequent weeks. We have before us requests to be heard from the following organizations: The Canadian Association of Broadcasters, the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association through its parliamentary committee, the Canadian Congress of Labour, and the British Columbia Association of Broadcasters, who have presented a written brief, but who will not appear personally.

Your sub-committee recommends that the Canadian Association of Broadcasters, the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association, and the Canadian Congress of Labour be heard and suggests that for the Canadian Association of Broadcasters the dates of April 28 and April 29 be presently allocated.

For the others, it is difficult at this time to set a definite date and it was suggested that that might be left to the chair, as we see how our work is progressing.

We also considered a suggestion which was made by the minister in his statement in the House, and also by Mr. Dunton yesterday, that it would be desirable for the committee to visit the C.B.C. installations at either Toronto or Montreal, and your sub-committee recommends that we might ask permission to visit the Toronto installation on Friday, the 17th day of April.

As to the progress of our work with the C.B.C. report which we have just started, the sub-committee suggests that we proceed this afternoon with consideration of the annual report, and that it be called heading by heading.

In the matter of future meetings, the sub-committee suggests that we meet tomorrow morning at 11.00, and that in subsequent weeks we meet a minimum of twice weekly, preferably on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon.

In the progress of our work with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation it was suggested that we should first deal with sound broadcasting and then proceed to our work on television. I think that covers the recommendations which your sub-committee has made and we invite discussion from the committee. Is that generally satisfactory, gentlemen?

Mr. MUTCH: I move the adoption of the report.

The CHAIRMAN: That seems to be agreeable. I think we perhaps should have a formal motion to seek the approval of the House for our visit to Toronto.

Mr. COLDWELL: I move that the committee visit the Toronto establishment of the C.B.C., and that permission be sought from the House to sit in Toronto on Friday, April 17, 1953.

The CHAIRMAN: You have heard the motion.

Mr. FLEMING: There is just one point about that. Having regard to the programming on Monday, are you satisfied with Friday?

Mr. COLDWELL: What is that?

The CHAIRMAN: We might ask Mr. Bushnell to comment on it.

Mr. BUSHNELL: It is not for me to suggest to the committee when you should go. We will try to put on a good show for you any time, but I think it would meet our requirements better and you would enjoy yourselves better