

Mr. HARRIS: Repairs to equipment you own at present.

Mr. BROWN: Repairs to the wharf and coaling dock there, yes.

Mr. HARRIS: Will you enlarge on item 245 "The Gas Producing Plant"? Is that also repairs?

Mr. HENRY: That is also largely repairs, yes.

Mr. HARRIS: You have an Accident Prevention Association within the Canadian National Railways' organization.

Mr. HENRY: First aid, I suppose you would call it.

Mr. HARRIS: Apart from the first aid, have you a prevention association?

Mr. HENRY: Safety First? Is that what you refer to?

Mr. HARRIS: Have you an organization within your organization that functions in a like manner to the Industrial Accident Prevention Association, which comes under the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Act?

Mr. HENRY: Well, practically, yes.

Mr. HARRIS: Do you work in unison with the Workmen's Compensation Board, say of the Province of Ontario?

Mr. HENRY: Yes.

Mr. HARRIS: Have you an association of your own more or less under their purview?

Mr. HENRY: Well, not in exactly the same way—not under their purview.

Mr. HARRIS: Do you work in unison with their inspectors?

Mr. HENRY: To a large extent.

Mr. HARRIS: Could you tell us just why, in a general way, there has been a considerable increase in the cost of your accidents last year as compared with the year before?

Mr. HENRY: Let me see, I think I have an explanation of that. There was an increase of \$85,000 on the western region that was due to heavier payments having been made to the Compensation Boards of the provinces of Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia—

Mr. HARRIS: That is the whole point. What rate did you have? You mentioned the western provinces? Did you mention any particular province?

Mr. HENRY: Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia.

Mr. HARRIS: What rate have you in Manitoba at the present time?

Mr. HENRY: I am afraid I cannot answer that offhand.

Mr. HARRIS: Do you know if there has been any reduction in the rate?

Mr. HENRY: I cannot answer that offhand.

Mr. HARRIS: You know all the manufacturing industries in Ontario, and all different classes of industries, have industrial accident prevention associations which have considerably reduced the cost of accidents.

Mr. HENRY: I suppose that is correct. We pay, of course, exactly the same rates as any of the other concerns.

Mr. HARRIS: I appreciate that all manufacturing companies in the same group, and all traffic companies in the same group would pay the same rate. Has there been any effort on the part of the carriers to get a reduction in the rates?

Mr. HENRY: I cannot answer that.

Mr. HARRIS: You do not know what has been paid in—

Mr. COOPER: We cannot tell you that.

Mr. HARRIS: You know what you paid the Board.