

I have only one comment to offer with respect to this paragraph.

The statement that Senator Raymond has sold all his originally acquired units at \$550 per unit, is inaccurate, and the further statement that he has realized, as of the 17th December, 1929, \$529,600 profit, and 14,040 shares of Class A Stock, is somewhat misleading if it is to be construed as meaning that such profit was realized in December, 1929.

When he appeared before the Committee, on the 16th July, 1931, Senator Raymond very clearly and openly stated that in July, 1928, he had sold to Mr. Simard, of Montreal, 2,000 units at \$100 each, i.e. \$200,000 (Blue Book p. 791.) As of July, 1928, he had therefore been repaid of his \$190,000 investment, plus a profit of \$10,000 retaining, at the same time, 1,200 fully paid up units in the Syndicate, which did no longer cost him anything. (Ibid.) It would therefore be inaccurate to state that his profit was \$529,600 as of the 17th December, 1929.

In July, 1928, the Beauharnois Power Corporation Limited was not yet incorporated and not a cent of the money of the public was invested as yet in the project.

The same is true of the sale of the balance of the Senator's original holdings made through Mr. Jones, to Mr. Sweezey, pursuant to the option given to the latter on the 26th July, 1929. (Blue Book pp. 483 and 790.)

The Beauharnois Power Corporation Limited was organized later, and took over the assets and interests of the Beauharnois Power Syndicate only on the 17th December 1929. (Blue Book page XV (22).)

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Section 15 (2) reads as follows:—

(2) At the conclusion of his evidence one of the members of the Committee expressed the view that he ought to be commended for his frankness in giving his evidence. It was, however, later disclosed in evidence that, according to the bill of Messrs. Geoffrion and Prud'homme, Counsel for the Beauharnois Syndicate (Exhibit No. 114) from September 10, 1927, to May 23, 1928, there appear some sixteen entries charging for interviews with and telephones to and from Senator Raymond. An interview appears to have taken place on one occasion with Honourable Mr. Mitchell and on another occasion in Ottawa with Senator McDougald.

This paragraph imputes no blame to Senator Raymond but contains an innuendo which is entirely unwarranted.

Messrs. Geoffrion and Prud'homme's bill was filed, as Exhibit 114, only on the 21st July, 1931, i.e., five days after the examination of the Senator, and the day before the last of the sittings of the Committee. It was filed without any comment and it was not printed. Senator Raymond was not examined with respect to his relations with Mr. Geoffrion, who was the legal adviser of the Syndicate. Consequently, the Senator, being heard as a witness, could not, without being irrelevant, make any reference thereto, if such reference was at all necessary.

Senator Raymond had already stated that he did not go to Quebec or Ottawa with respect to the Beauharnois project, that he had not gone to Quebec during the sessions of 1927 and 1928 and that, at no time, did he do anything to push the deal. (Blue Book pages 789-790.)

Both Senator Raymond and Mr. Geoffrion stated before your Honourable Committee that their interviews were exclusively as between solicitor and client and of a legal character. Mr. Geoffrion never needed nor requested the