

Of course, in comparison with some of the United States stations those are small, but they have a good coverage. At Toronto we lease a station of 5,000 watts. It is not as powerful as CFRB, the privately-owned station, of 10,000 watts. We have station CRCM at Montreal of about 5,000 watts. The La Presse station, the most powerful of Montreal, is about 10,000 watts. Neither of those two powerful stations carry our programs, but their time is for sale for advertising purposes.

The CHAIRMAN: They are privately-owned stations.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: Yes.

The CHAIRMAN: But they do not carry the Radio Commission programs?

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: No, our outlets at Toronto and Montreal are stations run by ourselves.

Hon. Mr. MACARTHUR: Is there a new station at Moncton to take the place of the old C.N.R.?

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: We are trying to straighten out the various applications. There are eleven down there.

The CHAIRMAN: Early in June, Mr. Charlesworth, there is a unique event in Nova Scotia, the Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival. This festival is well organized by the local people and is a credit not only to the Maritime Provinces but to Canada as a whole. I hope you will give consideration to it.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: Yes, we have it under consideration. A letter reached me yesterday with reference to it.

The CHAIRMAN: I am speaking only as a representative of Nova Scotia. No doubt other members will call your attention to events in their respective provinces. For instance, there are historic celebrations at Three Rivers, Gaspé and Toronto.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: Is it an event proper for broadcasting?

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. If you will have a few minutes' conversation with Mr. Graham, of Kentville, I am sure he will convince you of the practicability of broadcasting the apple blossom festival.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: A week to-day, the 24th of May, they are having a big centennial celebration at Toronto, but it is of the nature of a street parade, and cannot very well be broadcast.

Mr. GRAHAM (*of Kentville*): We have already arranged to broadcast the festival from WOR. It is not so much a matter of broadcasting during the time of the festival as prior to it. I think Mr. Charlesworth could very well introduce something on that. We should be very pleased to give him the material.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: It could be introduced in connection with one of our ordinary programs.

The CHAIRMAN: A description of Apple Blossom Sunday in the Annapolis Valley would certainly be of tremendous interest to every former resident of the Maritime Provinces. If you could get a good speaker to describe the Valley on Apple Blossom Sunday I think it would be very popular right across Canada with all persons hailing from the Maritimes. I would suggest that your Commission give it consideration.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Anything further, gentlemen. Thank you, Mr. Charlesworth for coming here this morning.

Mr. CHARLESWORTH: I will leave this material with the secretary. After your Committee has studied it no doubt it will be returned to me.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes.