

EVIDENCE

TUESDAY, March 30, 1965.

The VICE CHAIRMAN: Madam and gentlemen, we have a quorum.

We were to have with us today the national legislative committee of the International Railway Brotherhoods. However, the clerk received a telegram on March 27 which reads as follows:

I beg to advise that the national legislative committee, International Railway Brotherhoods will be unable to appear before the committee on March 30, 1965. We wish to reserve right to appear on later date.

A. R. Gibbons, Secretary.

We will therefore not be hearing from the railway brotherhoods today but we will give them an opportunity at some future date to present their brief.

I would accept a motion to have their brief printed as an appendix to today's proceedings so that it will be available to the members before the brotherhoods appear on the next occasion.

Mr. HAHN: I will so move.

Mr. McNULTY: I will second it.

Motion agreed to.

The VICE CHAIRMAN: The brief will be printed as an appendix to today's minutes of proceedings and evidence.

We have with us today the Canadian Industrial Traffic League. Mr. R. Eric Gracey, sitting at my immediate right, is the general manager of the Canadian Industrial Traffic League. Mr. Gracey has with him other members of his delegation from the league and I will ask him to introduce them to you.

Mr. R. E. GRACEY (*Manager, Canadian Industrial Traffic League*): I wish to express to this committee the sincere regret that the president of our organization, Mr. Victor Stroud is unfortunately ill and has been on the critical list for the last three weeks. Mr. Stroud is a man with 38 years' practical experience in industrial traffic, and I am sure you would have found his evidence most interesting.

On my right is Mr. J. S. Cunningham from Montreal. He is the chairman of the special committee set up by the board of directors of the league to study Bill No. C-120. Through his committee we discussed this bill in all of our divisions across Canada, in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and the maritimes. The brief that you see before you now is the result of these decisions.

Mr. Paul is a special consultant whom the league has retained to deal with Bill No. C-120.

The VICE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Gracey.

Before we commence I want to bring to the attention of the committee that we were to meet this afternoon at 3.30 or after the question period in the railway committee room in the centre block. However, I understand from the clerk that that room will not be available. If it is necessary to meet this afternoon, we will meet again in this room. Since we have only two briefs to be presented, we may be able to complete them without the necessity of sitting this afternoon.

I would also like to bring to the attention of the committee the fact that it will be necessary for me, for personal family reasons, to leave within about