

Mr. STARR: I think at the last meeting a similar question was asked and the answer, if I remember correctly, was that we get about an equal number coming across the border from the United States into Canada, so that it balances off.

Mr. HOUCK: We still get quite a few from the United Kingdom do we not?

The CHAIRMAN: If you will read the report of the last meeting, Mr. Houck, I think you will see that Mr. Francis gave the answer that we were losing about 6,300 over a period of years to the United States. And when I asked about the reverse flow, it was just about three times that number coming into Canada from the different countries. It was more than over balanced.

Are there any other questions? If not, shall items 176 and 177 carry?

Agreed to.

Item No. 178. Government employees compensation—Administration of the government employees compensation act ..... \$98,413

Mr. STARR: Mr. Green is the director of this department.

Mr. George G. GREENE (*Director of Government Employees Compensation Branch, Department of Labour*): Mr. Chairman and gentlemen: We administer the Government Employee's Compensation Act which applies, as far as compensation is concerned, to all members of the public service as well as employees of crown corporations and of certain other agencies of government.

There is a total of 215,000 now covered under the act, which is quite an increase from some years ago. And of that number, about 24,000 are employees of crown corporations.

Last year we took care of 16,269 accidents through the provincial work-mens compensation boards which are our agents for receiving applications and the paying of claims.

There is now under way a fairly good safety promotion campaign.

Last year we engaged a safety expert who is working with all departments now with the idea of reducing as far as possible the number of serious accidents. I think that good results will be seen from in the course of another year.

If there are any questions, I shall try to answer them.

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions on this item? There were not any deferred.

Mr. LAHAYE: When was the last revision of rates put into effect?

Mr. BROWN: The rates applicable under the Government Employee's Compensation Act are the rates which are applicable in the province where the civil servant carries on his employment.

In other words, the civil servant receives—or is dealt with on exactly the same basis as are the employees in private industry in the province where he carries on his employment.

Mr. STARR: The administration or the processing of claims is done in each and every province on the basis of their own rates. We supply a fund in each province from which they draw for the payment of these claims.

Mr. O'LEARY: And it is the prevailing provincial rate?

Mr. STARR: That is right.

The CHAIRMAN: Is the item agreed to?

Item agreed to.

#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMISSION

Item No. 179. Administration of the Unemployment Insurance Act, including expenditures incurred in connection with other duties and responsibilities assumed and carried out as required by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the Minister of Labour in accordance with section 4 of the Act.... \$31,784,500