

organization he represents, the Congress of Canadian Organization, in a communication to the Minister of Trade and Commerce. As a matter of fact, he is wrong there, because we do not get any British subsidy at all for those ships.

Mr. MACKENZIE: That would be in former years.

Mr. FLINTOFT: We have not had any British subsidy for those ships since 1914.

Mr. REID: Referring to page No. 10 of your brief, you show the cost of meals for Chinese at 28 cents and for Canadians at 60 cents. I do not know how you arrive at that, and I do not suppose you can very well contradict it, but I know that in feeding men in camps the cost was from 24 cents to 28 cents all told, and I never heard any complaints about the meals from the men in the camps. You have your costs up to 60 cents.

Mr. FLINTOFT: Perhaps it would be more satisfactory to you to have Captain Aikman deal with that, because I have been giving you second-hand what he gives me on this item.

Mr. REID: I would like to make one other remark regarding your brief in connection with the ships on the Pacific coast. You rather gave the impression that the resolution to which reference has been made asked for 100 per cent white crews, because you go into figures and give data showing what it would cost to replace a few Orientals by whites.

Mr. FLINTOFT: This sheet does not deal with that.

Mr. REID: The resolution did not ask for that but for a greater proportion of white Canadian citizens to be employed. While this information is useful, it has no bearing on the resolution.

Mr. FLINTOFT: Captain Aikman will deal with that question.

Mr. ISNOR: At the top of page 14 you say:—

In addition our purchases in Canada for the ten year period ended 1935 averaged \$53,000,000 a year.

Could you make an estimate of the cost of supplies outside of Canada for your service?

Mr. FLINTOFT: Do you mean for the ships' services?

Mr. ISNOR: Ships' services, supplies, yes?

Mr. FLINTOFT: I would have to make inquiry. I suppose we can get that information for you.

Mr. ISNOR: I want to see what proportion you spent in Canada as compared with outside.

Mr. FLINTOFT: It would not be anything like as great outside. Mr. Isnor is dealing with the matter generally. Captain Aikman is getting me a figure which would be typical. Take, for instance, the midsummer drydocking in 1935 at Esquimalt and the annual overhaul done at Hong Kong. In the case of the Vancouver concern the *Empress of Japan* paid \$6,403 as compared with \$694 paid to the Hong Kong concern in connection with the overhaul. The *Empress of Canada* at Vancouver spent \$8,577 as compared with \$987 spent in Hong Kong. Of course, that is only one item. The Hong Kong repairs are away above that because that is where the overhaul is carried out.

Mr. MACNICOL: At Hong Kong?

Mr. FLINTOFT: Yes, that is where the annual overhaul is done. The midsummer drydocking is done at Vancouver, but the way the ships operate the annual overhaul is at Hong Kong. I will make enquiries and see if I can get a comprehensive figure that will show you the amount spent out of Canada.

Mr. ISNOR: I was more particularly concerned with the supplies and repairs.