

Commissioner. The Canadian delegation is also happy to vote for the Resolution A/C.3/L.357/Rev.1 and supports the appeal for an intensification of efforts for the solution of the problem of refugees. The Canadian delegation is also in full accord with the need for co-ordination in this field between the various organizations concerned in order that duplication may be avoided and the best results obtained. This resolution invites the High Commissioner to concern himself in particular with those whose situation is especially difficult and we hope that when the High Commissioner comes to report to us next year that progress will have been made towards a solution of this problem.



amongst displaced persons is two and one half times greater than amongst Canadians, was made by the Ontario Minister of Health in 1952. In that year, the death rate from tuberculosis in Ontario, which has a population of over four million, was eight point four in one hundred thousand. If the representation of the world's population is taken into account, the death rate from tuberculosis in Ontario is one of the lowest in the world. Even if among displaced persons who have come to our country from countries ravaged by years of war and who have been subjected to other hardships, the tuberculosis rate in the early years after their arrival should be two and one half greater, the percentage in comparison to world figures remains low. The Ontario Department of Health is properly concerned with keeping this figure to a minimum.

In addition to activities in the nature of strictly legal protection of aid, and the seeking of permanent solutions, the High Commissioner has had the apparently difficult task of attempting to provide sufficient emergency aid to the most needy groups of refugees coming within the mandate of his office. Surely the conscience of mankind must be moved by the desperate situation of many thousands of persons living a precarious existence in camps including sick, aged and infirm, and children. I have heard from Dr. Goodhart himself a simple moving story of a young boy from one such camp who knew no other life and who asked the question "who are the people who live in houses?". We were indeed glad to note in the High Commissioner's statement that prospects for resettlement of the unfortunate European refugees in Canada of whom a number are completely dependent on the Emergency Fund for a livelihood, are brighter than a year ago, and of the special efforts which are being made in regard to those in camps. It was most encouraging to read that the generous grant of the Ford Foundation has been of such importance in demonstrating that the social assimilation of refugees is a problem for which solutions can be found.

Permanent solutions and a final end to this appalling situation must remain our aim. In the meantime, emergency aid will be required and it is our earnest hope that the further governmental contributions to the fund which are so urgently required will be quickly forthcoming.

The Canadian delegation will therefore be happy to vote for the Resolution A/C.3/L.357/Rev.1 providing for the continuation of the office of the High