

Mr. HAZEN: There is one other question I would like to ask in regard to this matter. Mr. Rasminsky said that 10,173 persons applied—

The WITNESS: No, sir, those were the approvals; the number of applications approved.

Mr. HAZEN: They were not the number of applications?

The WITNESS: No, sir. I have not that information here.

The CHAIRMAN: Would you like to have that information by letter?

Mr. HAZEN: I would like to have it put on the record.

The CHAIRMAN: Are you willing to have the secretary of the board supply that information and we will put it on the record?

Mr. HAZEN: Yes.

Mr. HAZEN: There is one other question I wanted to ask—

The WITNESS: Before we leave that, the secretary of the board tells me that he is not certain that there is in the board a complete record of all refused applications, we will undertake to supply all the information we have on the subject but it may not be precisely what is requested.

By Mr. Hazen:

Q. Of the 10,173 persons who applied and were allowed to take out the amount of money you mentioned, were they allowed to take out all their other assets?—A. Not in each case, sir. In the case of applications involving large amounts where a change of status is approved—and I gave the committee some time ago a fairly complete statement of the circumstances in which change of status would be approved—the individuals are allowed to take out their assets at the rate of \$25,000 a year.

Q. What about cases where they were not large? We had that discussion about a farmer, and you said if his assets were \$10,000 or \$15,000 you would allow only \$5,000 to be taken out. You would not call that a large amount. I have in mind people of that class. How many of them are there?—A. One has to distinguish, Mr. Hazen, between two types of cases; cases where an application for change of status is approved by the board for the reasons I gave earlier in my evidence and cases where an application for a change of status is refused by the board. The figures that I have given relate to cases of applications for change of status which have been approved by the board. The application of anyone with assets under \$5,000 would be approved. In addition in any case where an application for change of status is refused by the board, the individual is nonetheless permitted to withdraw \$5,000 of his assets. In point of fact the board is administratively following the policy regarding change of status which Mr. Macdonnell asked should be incorporated in the legislation. The figures for the individuals who were refused change of status—

Q. Could we get those figures? Could we get the number and what they were allowed to take out of the country? I am trying to straighten this out as well as I can.—A. The secretary tells me, Mr. Hazen, that we do not keep records of refused applications of that type, and the information would involve going through—

Q. You mentioned giving them permission to take money out of the country. Do you not make a record of that?

The CHAIRMAN: Just to shorten this matter, what are the circumstances under which you would grant and what are the circumstances under which you would refuse a change of status?

Mr. HAZEN: I am trying to get the figures.

Mr. JACKMAN: Mr. Hazen wants to know whether even if change of residence is not permitted you still allow something?

The WITNESS: That is right.