

*By Mr. Brooks:*

Q. Is he paid by the auxiliary services?—A. No, he is paid by the Department of National Defence from the time he embarks for the United Kingdom.

Q. It is different here in Canada, is it not; he is paid by the auxiliary services here?—A. In Canada he is paid by his own organization

*By Mr. Ross (Middlesex East):*

Q. You mentioned a complete accounting system which is now being set up. What was the system of accounting prior to that time?—A. Well, the organizations kept their own accounts and they were audited by their own auditors; but we are now setting up a military accounting system which will be a check on that.

Q. Is that a special matter—this check—or is it going to be a permanent matter?—A. It will be a permanent matter because we want to know exactly how much money they are earning and on what they are spending it.

*By Mr. Marshall:*

Q. Why was that not set up before?—A. I cannot answer that.

*By Mr. Hazen:*

Q. Do these honorary officers, or whatever you call them, who are in charge of these canteens employ their help or where do they get their help from?—A. There is a provision that military or civilian helpers may be appointed. Military helpers—

Q. Who appoints them?—A. I was just coming to that. I was going to distinguish between the two. The provision originally was made by a privy council order for the appointing of civilian helpers; those civilian helpers who were appointed in Canada would be medically examined and approved by the Department of National Defence and then sent overseas. There have not been many civilian helpers sent overseas because an arrangement was made for the use of military helpers at the rate of four military helpers per 1,000 troops, and those men are picked out of the unit or the holding unit and still form part of the unit from which they are taken.

Q. Do they draw their army pay?—A. Yes, they draw their army pay.

*By Mr. Brooks:*

Q. The auxiliary services operate only dry canteens, do they not?—A. Yes, that is correct.

*By Mr. Castleden:*

Q. Do I understand that the amount paid over to the unit is 6 per cent of the profit or 6 per cent of the gross sales?—A. I believe it is 6 per cent of the gross profits of the N.A.A.F.I.

Q. I thought from the evidence we had last week that it was 6 per cent of the gross sales—A. In Canada the organizations pay over the percentage of the gross sales, but the N.A.A.F.I.—I make that statement subject to verification—I believe it was 6 per cent of the gross profits but I am speaking from memory.

*By Mr. Marshall:*

Q. Is it not 2 per cent of the gross sales in Canada?—A. No; in Canada they pay over 5 per cent of the gross takings.

*By Mr. Castleden:*

Q. Yes, that is right; and the N.A.A.F.I. turn over, as you think, 6 per cent of the gross sales?—A. I think it is gross profits, but that is subject to correction.