

The CHAIRMAN: Do you want them included.

Mr. ISNOR: I think they should be.

The CHAIRMAN: Is it the wish of the committee that the Canadian National Steamships be included in that list from which we want information.

Mr. MACINNIS: I will second Mr. Isnor's motion.

The CHAIRMAN: Is it unanimous?

Motion agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: All that information will come later. The clerk has just had one answer so far. We should have that information complete when we meet after Easter. Is that all right, Mr. Isnor?

Mr. ISNOR: That is fine, except that you might drop the word "white" when you are asking for the information.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. I think that is understood from a decision made at one of our previous meetings.

The CLERK: Yes.

The CHAIRMAN: There is a motion before the committee. It is moved by Mr. MacInnis, but as yet there is no seconder, that the minutes of our last regular meeting be adopted.

Mr. GLADSTONE: I will second the motion.

The CHAIRMAN: Is there any discussion? All in favour?

Motion agreed to.

Mr. MACINNIS: Mr. Chairman, before we go on with the next order of business, I have a matter to bring to your attention. There was a wire read at the last meeting from the secretary of the Vancouver Merchants' Exchange. It is on the first page of the minutes of evidence, just following the minutes of proceedings of last day, and reads as follows:—

Reference employment Canadians on subsidized ships. Understand intention committee call witnesses representing labour. If so presume witnesses representing shipping operators will also be called. Kindly advise stating probable time hearing.

I should have raised this point at the last meeting, that the Merchants' Exchange had already been notified of the setting up of this committee and had a representative at the first meeting. I think, if the Chairman would approve, that the wires sent should be made part of the record, so that there will be no misunderstanding in the matter.

The CHAIRMAN: Is that not on the first page, Mr. MacInnis? It says:—

That submission of F. H. Clendenning representing Vancouver Merchants' Exchange having been heard, the committee is disinclined to summon further witnesses on behalf of this organization, but is prepared to hear any further evidence submitted by them at their own expense.

Mr. MACINNIS: What I had in mind was that the wires previously sent should appear on the record so as to indicate that they had been communicated with.

The CLERK: They are all in the record.

Mr. MACINNIS: If they are in the record, I have nothing further to say.

The CLERK: Yes, and I have the replies.

The CHAIRMAN: That clears the air in regard to the minutes. We have two or three communications, and I shall ask the clerk to read them, and put them on the record.