

the union continued to work as if through a manpower rehabilitation committee which the commission assists financially by paying half of the research, planning and consultation costs. The committee uses all the means available to it to help the workers affected. Indeed, it uses a whole series of public or private programs and calls on the expertise of technical advisors.

The commission allocated \$25,000 under its Manpower Consultative Service to deal with the linerboard mill problem. Besides our Manpower Consultative Service the hon. member for Humber-St.-George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall) undoubtedly knows that, since last April at which time the provincial government informed it that the linerboard mill was going to close down, the commission has been actively trying to help through its services and programs the affected workers and has not stopped doing so. First, a Canada Manpower Centre was opened in the linerboard mill to help workers register and make the benefit of our programs and services more readily available to them. On November 25, 1977, 402 of the 588 salaried workers involved are still registered for our programs and services; 208 were directed toward jobs; 38 were found jobs; 118 received financial assistance under the manpower mobility incentive program; 59 were recommended for courses

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under our training program; and finally, the employment applications of the 95 other workers are posted in all Canada Manpower Centres where job opportunities suitable to their qualifications might be found.

Mr. Speaker, I can assure the hon. member that we shall continue our concerted efforts in favour of the other workers who have been affected by these lay-offs. There is hope that someone else may purchase or operate the linerboard mill very shortly. If this hope does not become a reality or if the new owner cannot hire enough of the former employees, we shall help them more through the emergency response feature which has been provided for similar cases. I want to say once more to all hon. members that all the resources of my department have been put at the disposal of the workers of the Labrador linerboard mill who needed them and all other groups of wage earners who are affected by lay-offs or the closing down of plants in Canada, and that they will remain at their disposal.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Order, please. The motion to adjourn the House is now deemed to have been adopted. Accordingly, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

Motion agreed to and the House adjourned at 10.30 p.m.