

taking place under the guise of experimentation. The American and British investing public have already suffered severely because of premature and inadequate exploitation of this great new medium. It is obviously desirable to prevent repetition of that experience in Canada.

The CBC is fully alive to the desirability of providing for the Canadian public a television service as soon as the necessary expenditures come within the bounds of the practicable. The engineering officers of the corporation are constantly in touch with developments in Great Britain and the United States, and if I rightly interpret the advice of the BBC authorities and of the American authorities it is briefly this: they have been forced into building expenditures perhaps somewhat in advance of the economic and practical feasibility of the enterprise of television. Their advice to us, and it is advice which I for one and I think all my fellow governors wish to take, is this: Wait; Canada is in a favourable position; share the results of our experience, but do not be so foolish as to try to share the cost of our experiments. I think that is good advice for us to follow.

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, some of the members of the committee have a very important engagement at 12.45. I think it is only right that we should adjourn now and give them the opportunity of keeping their engagement.

Is it the wish of the committee that we should adjourn now and meet to-morrow?

Mr. MARTIN: Carried.

Hon. Mr. LAWSON: At what time to-morrow, 11 o'clock?

Mr. SLAGHT: Mr. Chairman, I do not wish to seem over insistent, but I should like to feel that we have the complete regulations. Perhaps I misunderstood Mr. Brockington, and if I did he can correct me. He indicated, as I thought, that we have not yet in the green-backed book and the blue-covered annual report the complete regulations.

The WITNESS: What I meant was all the regulations published. You understand there are regulations affecting other people. They are there. There are internal regulations that we make concerning our own conduct. Those are obviously not printed. But all the regulations of the CBC are in that book. You are probably referring by anticipation to the question which was recently a matter of controversy in this province and elsewhere. I shall explain the situation with reference to that when I give my evidence to-morrow.

Mr. SLAGHT: Yes, but what I should like to have are any regulations which deal with matters of policy. If I understand we have them all, then we have them all; if we have not all the regulations which are in writing and adopted by the board dealing with matters of policy, I should like to have those.

The WITNESS: All right. I shall enquire of Mr. Murray and find out exactly what there is available.

Mr. SLAGHT: Thank you. There is just one other question, Mr. Chairman. On the matter of the minutes of meetings of the commission, it seems to me that they should be available to this committee so that when we come to deal with specific matters that arise we may have the benefit of the written record made of the business of the commission as recorded in their minute books officially and be able to learn of their official acts as recorded in the minutes.

Hon. Mr. LAWSON: Hear, hear.

Mr. SLAGHT: I know of no objection to that. I fancy the chairman has no objection to these being available to the committee, not with a view of going all through them or looking for criticism, but there may be matters of importance which are recorded in resolutions which we ought to have.