

the corporation was doing or thinking of doing would affect our decision about this. It was thinking more of the situation among the private stations.

Q. Was it your judgment that it would have blanketed all three stations?—

A. No, not blanketed them. We would have covered approximately the same area served by the three of them although with some overlapping, but of course with a different program service.

Q. Have you dropped the idea of low power little stations to the border?—

A. No. We have dropped the idea of one high-powered station, preferring to wait to see what can be done with low-powered stations in outlying areas.

Q. And that is proceeding now?—A. Yes, and it will be going ahead.

*By Mr. Fulton:*

Q. In order that such a low-powered repeater station be installed this year, does it require an item in your capital budget this year?—A. Yes, but the capital part will be a small amount.

Q. Since it is obvious with respect to Salmon Arm that they have been pressing for a repeater station, should we urge you now to include in your capital budget the necessary sum for such an installation, if you find it would be desirable?—A. I have read of the project, but in our general plans for financing, we have an allowance for smaller expenditures such as this as they become desirable during the year.

Q. Might I say also that my information on that point is that the Canadian Pacific Railway, which is the only railway serving Salmon Arm, as I understand it has improved its wireline facilities so that there are no longer any technical obstacles in the way of your putting in such a station. Does your information confirm that?—A. I do not know about Salmon Arm but I know the matter has received quite a lot of discussion with the railways as well as some of those other points which we thought ought to be serviced very quickly and which, it appeared, could not be. Therefore I could not answer you.

Q. I can only repeat the information which I have given you in that respect.

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any further questions?

*By Mr. Fleming:*

Q. Has there been any increase in power in any existing private station since the fall of 1951?—A. Yes. Perhaps we could look that up for you.

Q. And have it at a later meeting?—A. It would be fairly a matter for the Department of Transport, but we can see that it is produced for you.

*By Mr. Coldwell:*

Q. What is the position with regard to the high-powered channels now? Are we occupying all of them which are available to us under the Havana and other treaties, or have some of the private stations occupied them?—A. I do not think there are private stations occupying them as the dominant station in any place.

Q. What stations have 50,000 watt power?—A. CFRB, Toronto, and CKLW, Windsor; but those stations are not clear-channel stations. They are, I think on class II channels; they are not clear-channel stations. They have highly directional antennae which is cut down by interference at night to a much greater degree.

Q. What is the Windsor station now? Is it one of your stations or is it an American outlet?—A. The Windsor station is a privately owned station, and it is affiliated with an American network.

Q. It is really an American station on Canadian soil?—A. A very high proportion of its programming is of American origin.