

Canada to British Columbia, who may have gone into the logging industry there and become a fairly permanent part of the working force in that industry. Do I understand that a person's records are fixed for all time in the region where he originally registers; in other words, if his original insurance number has a prefix A, that the British Columbia regional office will have his original records at all times although he might be working for ten years in the maritimes?

Mr. MCGREGOR: No. That man goes, for instance, from Alberta to British Columbia and if he makes a claim in British Columbia his records are transferred to British Columbia. If he renews his book in British Columbia the records will stay there until such time as we find that he has renewed his book elsewhere. They will remain there until such time as we find that his book is renewed elsewhere, in which case they will go to the regional office in his new area.

Mr. STARR: His records are sent to the place where he goes.

Mr. MCGREGOR: If he made a claim there.

Mr. STARR: I was wondering if that might be a factor in reducing delays in the case of a man who may not have had a claim for a number of years who is suddenly in a position where he has to make a claim, if there might not be an unnecessary delay there in processing his claim.

Mr. MCGREGOR: If a man were in Alberta for five or six years his records will be located at the Winnipeg office and if he goes to Vancouver and never makes a claim, there is no demand for his records and they stay at the Winnipeg office. But the moment he makes a claim in British Columbia the records are transferred to Vancouver. Otherwise if he never makes a claim they will stay at Winnipeg.

Mr. STARR: How long would you say it would take to have his records transferred from Winnipeg to Vancouver.

Mr. MCGREGOR: If he gives us the correct number they can be obtained almost overnight.

Mr. STARR: If he relocates he has another number?

Mr. MCGREGOR: No. He always keeps the same number; and the same prefix.

Mr. GAUTHIER (*Nickel Belt*): You would not say that a person would give you a wrong number intentionally?

Mr. MCGREGOR: No, I do not think so.

Mr. MURCHISON: Mr. Chairman, Mr. McGregor gave you particulars of the standing of the claims as of the 22nd of February and he read from a statement which has been prepared. Would it be your will that this be typed and prepared and supplied to the reporter so that it can be presented in table form.

The CHAIRMAN: Along with the other?

Agreed.

Mr. STARR: In the matter of delays, Mrs. Fairclough is ill and has asked me if I would bring to the attention of the committee this morning the matter of automobile workers in the Hamilton area. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act an employee who becomes unemployed through no fault of his own must report to the commission immediately, or one day following his unemployment, and must report immediately upon returning to work. Otherwise he is disqualified under the act and will be penalized by having his daily payments deducted until such time as he does report to the