

have been made about lack of satisfactory telephone service. Third, CP rail will appoint 14 mobile supervisors to supervise the areas designated in exhibit No. CP 12.

The question arises whether these 14 supervisors will remain. Evidence was submitted that supervisors were taken out after being in certain areas for a short period of time. Fourth, CP Rail will appoint a competent and responsible contract representative at necessary locations. The CTC did not prescribe the locations. Then here is No. 11; I do not have time to refer to all of these. CP rail undertakes, at stations where agents are to be removed and where there is passenger service, to provide a suitable shelter, heated and lighted with access thereto, including snow removal. There is not one of these points or stations where there is any passenger service. What a fatuous commitment the CPR made!

In view of the many judgments which entered into the decision rendered by the Canadian Transport Commission, I would urge that the cabinet review the decision handed down. I want to make it clear that the decision of the Canadian Transport Commission may be proper within the terms of the law set out in the National Transport Act, but I suggest it is the National Transport Act

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itself which is defective and only the cabinet can review the matter from the viewpoint of the public interest.

I suggest the future of many Saskatchewan communities is at stake in this particular decision. I suggest it is vital that all Saskatchewan communities be assured of adequate service. In my own brief to the CTC in these hearings I made the point that I feel it is necessary that in each community served by CPR there is a clear and adequate identification of the railway company to the people of the community. This must involve adequate facilities, adequate services and a capability granted to personnel enabling them satisfactorily to conduct business with the public. For these and many other reasons I urge the federal government to review the decision of the Canadian Transport Commission.

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I should like to inform the hon. member for Regina East (Mr. Burton) that I have today consulted with the president of the Canadian Transport Commission, who has assured me that any and every specific complaint that the CPR is not carrying out any of the undertakings given the commission and set out in the decision will be investigated promptly and remedial action will be taken wherever warranted.

Motion agreed to and the House adjourned at 10.21 p.m.