

Mr. DELVILLANO: I am not siding with them, I am just saying it is an example of what can be done.

Mr. WHELAN: Oh, yes, you are. The record will show you sided with them.

Mr. DELVILLANO: All right, you say I sided with them. As far as I am concerned, I think every municipality can be helped. When a new industry comes into the province they can be told that if they go to Kirkland Lake they will have labour available. There is an incentive to get there because the federal government is going to see to it that there will be some benefit to making yourself available to this area. Regardless of what they say, the market is across the country. I notice that a lot of the machinery we use in our part of the province comes from England and from as far south as California, therefore transportation should not be too great a consideration, although it is killing us in our area because we only have two railways to get to the densely populated areas. Mr. Cram has concluded a freight study in this connection, and other municipalities are making a further study. That is something else that comes into the idea of expanding north and south as well as east and west.

Mr. WHELAN: I gather from what you have said that you do not have an unemployment problem in the north.

Mr. DELVILLANO: I beg your pardon, I said that we do, except that—and this is why I wish the Minister of Manpower was here today—they have a criterion for counting unemployed. I am wondering why the last place you go to employ someone is the employment service. I asked the manager about this one day and he just hit the ceiling. He said, "What are you talking about?" I said, "If I want to hire a man I do not go to the employment service because unemployed people do not register there. It is only those people who are after their benefits if they come within it." The last place unemployed people go to look for a job is the employment office, and I am wondering why.

Mr. WHELAN: I do not think that it is true in all areas.

Mr. DELVILLANO: I will tell you about my area. I have gone to the mines and they have employment offices there, and a person looking for a job goes to those offices instead of going to the employment services. Do you say that does not happen in your area?

Mr. WHELAN: No.

Mr. DELVILLANO: Well, I am willing to bet that if I spent two days in your area I would find many people who are not registered with the employment service. A lot of people tell me that and I do not believe them because I have seen it happen in many areas.

Mr. WHELAN: I think you would probably find some, but I think the first thing that the vast majority of people who come to a manpower centre do is go to the unemployment insurance office if they have a book which has stamps in it. It has never been brought to my attention that any large number of people in my area do not use the services that are there. As an elected representative it is my duty to make it known to these people that these services are there for them, and they do a tremendous job as far as I am concerned.

Mr. DELVILLANO: Oh, I did not say that. I say they do. I also direct them there, but I am wondering why a lot of them do not go near the office.