

Mr. VAUGHAN: Those matters have been straightened out with the department, and we believe that we are getting now our share of the business from the three services.

Mr. McCULLOCH: Carried.

Mr. EMMERSON: It was a matter of the convenience of the passenger. The routing of the soldier being moved was done in that way as a matter of convenience.

Mr. VAUGHAN: The larger passenger movements, of course, are controlled by the Quartermaster-General at Ottawa. All of these special troop trains move under his direction. And we are getting almost every week some special trains. We have no reason to complain at the present time about the division of the business. And we are grateful to the members of the committee for the action they took last year.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall we proceed?

Mr. JACKMAN: Is this Canadian (West Indies) Steamships Limited?

Mr. VAUGHAN: We have a report submitted in connection with that.

The CHAIRMAN: I have four items here in connection with the railways from the estimates of the house. Shall we proceed to a consideration of them?

Mr. JACKMAN: You are going into this budget item in connection with the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships, are you not, Mr. Chairman?

The CHAIRMAN: That is up to the committee.

Mr. VAUGHAN: We have it here. I do not think it will take very long to go through it.

Mr. JACKMAN: I am speaking for the vote for the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships Lines, not the Canadian National Railways.

Mr. VAUGHAN: There is no vote for the Canadian National Steamships Lines, because they have a surplus.

The CHAIRMAN: We will now proceed to a consideration of the items in the estimates. They will be found at page 46.

Mr. HANSON (*Skeena*): These are the items that we have been passing continually year after year. I do not think there need be any discussion about them. They are practically statutory.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, these are the statutory items.

Mr. HANSON (*Skeena*): I move their adoption.

The CHAIRMAN: On item 385: item 385 agreed to.

On Item 386: item 386 agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: I now call on item 405, that also is statutory: item 405 agreed to.

Item 406: item 406 agreed to.

Mr. GRAY: What about item 384; is there any discussion on that at this stage?

The CHAIRMAN: That has not been referred to us and we do not have anything to do with it.

Next we have is the Annual Report of the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships, Limited.

Mr. GRAY: Carried.

The CHAIRMAN: Not quite so fast.

Mr. VAUGHAN: We have not put in any narrative in connection with the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships because of the basis on which our ships now operate. Our vessels trade on routes specified by the shipping board and their movements are under the direction of the navy. But we have given you the official figures in this report.