

Mr. HARRIS: Where would it be now?

Mr. HENRY: Under the same item of account.

Mr. HARRIS: It would be for this year, but for next year?

Mr. COOPER: There will be a separation made between industrial and immigration.

Mr. HARRIS: Item 356 will be divided?

Mr. COOPER: Yes.

By Mr. Harris:

Q. Mr. Robb, there is a considerable increase in the cost of this service. Would the present policy you have in mind lead you to say that you will experience another increase next year?—A. There will be an increase this year. Last year we had not got fairly started.

Q. Would you give us an outline of what portion of Dr. Black's time, staff, and expenses are devoted to immigration work?—A. Dr. Black's time and staff is not being devoted to industrial to any large extent; it is practically all immigration.

Q. I gathered from you just now that the central agency over which Dr. Black will preside will remain in London?—A. That is right.

Q. How much of a staff has Dr. Black?—A. Dr. Black at the present time has seven of a staff.

Q. That is, of an office staff?—A. Of an office staff. He has a colonization agent, and lecturers and stenographers and clerks, and so on. As that develops, there will be some increases.

Q. Can you tell this morning what portion of this expense would be chargeable to Dr. Black?—A. Well, it practically all comes—you mean that expense you gave?

Q. Yes. You gave us \$160,000, or was it \$145,000?

Mr. HENRY: \$160,000.

The WITNESS: I cannot give you that offhand. It was \$160,000 for colonization, but that takes in all colonization.

By Mr. Harris:

Q. Over and above the seven which Dr. Black has in his office in London, or wherever it is going to be, what other expense has he? Has he anybody also travelling over Northern Europe?—A. No, sir.

Q. Nobody on the road?—A. No, sir, excepting the staff he has there.

Q. What is the policy you have in mind for the extension of this work, through London, England—through Dr. Black's department?—A. The intention is to establish an agency wherever we feel we can get a sufficient number of immigrants to warrant us in doing that, and that is what Dr. Black is studying at the present time, and he will let me know and make a recommendation of what he thinks we ought to do.

Q. I suppose if he finds them moving in a certain part of Europe, which appears to all intents and purposes to be very satisfactory to you, under your policy you will establish an agency there and push the immigration from that particular point?—A. That is what will probably be done.

Q. You are quite satisfied, Mr. Robb, that you would like to keep the central agency in London?—A. Yes, we would like to keep the central agency in London. I believe that is the place to keep it.

Q. You believe that is the place to keep it?—A. I believe that is the place to keep it.

Q. If Dr. Black is the director, he would probably remain in London to direct?—A. Yes.

Q. He would be in London practically all the time?—A. Yes.

[Mr. W. D. Robb.]