

presented with them as far as available. That will help out, and it will save time.

MISS CAISSE: Yes.

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: And any confirmatory evidence of any kind that you are able to get on those patients whom you will be looking after anyhow. It saves time. In some cases you may not have anything of that kind.

MISS CAISSE: Well, in some case, I have not, but the majority of cases I think I have a pretty complete history of.

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Thank you.

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GEORGE WALLACE BRUCE, sworn,

EX 1 (Card)
Aug 21/37

BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. Mr. Bruce, you come from Dutler, Ontario? A. I do.

Q. Did you have a doctor? A. Yes.

Q. What was his name? A. Dr. Anderson.

Q. Do you know his initials? A. Well, they have it here.

Q. "O. W. Anderson"? A. Yes, Bancroft would be the doctor's address.

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: He means Oswold W. Anderson.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Q. How long have you lived back there? A. All my life. I was born about 15 miles north-east of Bancroft.

BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. You saw Dr. Anderson in 1937? A. Well now, I just do not remember that.

Q. He wrote about you in August, 1937?

A. Yes.

Q. So you had seen him sometime before that?

A. Yes, I had seen him several times. It was him that gave me the diagnosis.

Q. You have a letter from Dr. Anderson, and I think it should be recorded. We have not the letter here, but I think that could be obtained from Miss Caisse. In all probability we ought to have it in the record.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Miss Caisse might want to sit in with us. I think it would help out if she did, unless she prefers not to.

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: I have a letter dated August 14th, signed by Dr. O. W. Anderson, and addressed to Mr. Bruce, and I have another letter written to Mrs. Oscar White, signed by G. E. Richards, and dated May 26th, 1937. Mr. Richards is the director of the Toronto General Hospital.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Is the letter there?

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Yes. It is all in our material, but it should be on the record.

EXHIBIT NO. 1: Clinic card, Mr. George Bruce, dated August 21st, 1937.

BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: This is a letter you received from Dr. Anderson, August 14th, 1937?

A. Yes.

Q. And the letter you received from Dr. Richards,

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the director of the General Hospital? A. Yes, sir.

Q. And May, 1937? A. Yes.

EXHIBIT NO. 2: Diagnosis of Mr. George Bruce, Aug. 14, 1937.

Letter to Mrs. Oscar White, May 26, 1937.

BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. When did you call here? A. A year ago on the 21st day of August.

Q. How long did you take treatment here?

A. Well, I took them steady up until Miss Caisse quit in June, last year.

Q. You continued treatment from August, 1937 to June, 1938?

A. Well, I think it was somewhere about there, but I cannot remember just exactly what day. She would know, and the clinic would know.

Q. But, approximately that? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Weekly treatments? A. Yes. At one time in the fall she was sick, and there were three weeks at Christmas and I think there was seven weeks at Easter, again.

Q. You had to live here in this vicinity?

A. I had not in the spring, but I had at Christmas. I stayed here the two weeks when she was away sick in the fall. I stayed here, but never had no treatment.

Q. What has been the result of those treatments?

A. Well, wonderful. The only thing that really bothers me at the present time is this pain. It

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appears — when I press on it, it is like death. I was down to 133 pounds when I came here, and I now weigh 166 to 167. I eat good, sleep good, and I have a dandy appetite. When I came here, I could not eat nothing.

Q. Are you working? A. No, because I cannot get no work to do.

Q. You are still living in this vicinity?
A. I have been home. She let me go home for six weeks before Christmas, and I just came back yesterday.

Q. Does that mean that you are still under observation or treatment here at the clinic?

A. Well, I expect to take more if I require them.

Q. But you have taken none since April, or around there, of 1938?
A. Yes. I came back in August again, and I took treatments up until just before Christmas, here.

Q. How many treatments approximately do you think that would mean?
A. Well, I cannot tell you that. Miss Gaisse has a record, and she has a treatment book, but I did not see that.

Q. You had weekly treatments from August until April, and several treatments since that time?

A. Yes, something similar to that.

BY COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Q. How many radium treatments did you have?
A. Oh, I could not tell you that exactly. I used to come seven or eight years ago.

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to TGH/Dunlop lab in Toronto

Q. That is to Dr. Richards in Toronto?

A. Yes, and they would need me for two or three hours,
and I would go home for six or seven weeks, and come
back for examination.

Q. What was the effect of those treatments?

A. Well, at the time, they kind of dropped it back or
checked it, but --

Q. Did it disappear?

A. No, it really never
disappeared. It would perhaps heal over a bit, and
break out in a short time.

Q. How long after would it be before it would
break out again?

A. Well, I do not
know if I can just tell you that.

Q. Tell me approximately as near as you can?

A. I think somewhere in the neighbourhood of about
six or seven weeks, but always necessary for me to go
back, and if I needed another treatment he gave it to
me.

Q. And that time it would be retarded?

A. Yes, pretty well.

Q. Can you remember how long after the last
radium treatment it was before you came to see Miss

Caisse? A. Well, I got the last radium treatment
in April, and I came to Miss Caisse in August.

Q. What happened during that interval?

A. Well, I was going down hill all the time. That
was the time that the pain used to go up into my ear,
and eye, and temple, and in here (indicating) so I

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could not eat.

Q. During that four months? A. Yes.

Q. It would keep increasing? A. Yes.

Q. It did not subside? A. No. It kept getting worse all the while.

Q. That is, the pain? A. Yes.

Q. What about the local condition? A. Well --

Q. Did that local condition in your mouth change in any way during that four months? A. Well, no, I do not think it did; not that I know of, you know.

Q. It was about the same? A. Yes.

Q. The local condition in the mouth was about the same during that four months? A. Yes, I think so.

Q. Then you started to take Miss Caisse's treatment? A. Yes.

Q. You started in to take Miss Caisse's treatment? A. Yes.

Q. What affect did they have on you?

A. Well, in about four to six weeks I began to feel the benefit. I got so I could sleep some, and my appetite improved, and I kept improving, and somewhere in the neighbourhood of seven or eight weeks the pain absolutely left me.

Q. Had you been taking anything for the pain previously? A. Asperin tablet.

Q. Following her treatment your pain gradually subsided? A. Yes.

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Q. What about the local condition of the mouth?

A. Well, it got better too with the exception of the burn in there where the radium was itching. It never improved any more, and I rather think the cavity is filled in.

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BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. When had you your last treatment in the clinic here? A. The 20th, I believe.

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Q. The 20th of what? A. Of December.

Q. December? A. Yes, just before Christmas.

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Q. Well, why did you go and take treatments in December? Had your condition not sufficiently improved to go without treatment? A. Well, of course, I did not know that; I felt all right. I had the irritation on the edge of my tongue. Did you notice that? I did not know what it was from.

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COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Let me see what you are referring to. A. Right on the edge of the tongue (indicating).

Q. Would you come over to the light? A. Yes.

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Q. Along there (indicating)? A. Yes. At night I had a dry and hot feeling, you know, it gets dry, and kind of fiery, but in the day time it does not seem to bother me.

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BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. Do you find

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difficulty in eating? A. Yes, but the tongue
does not bother me except eating. Vinegar or some
kind of fruit juice will make it nip, but outside of
that it is not sore. I had an X-ray taken, and it
shows a crack in the jaw bone.

BY COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Q. Vinegar or fruit
 juice? A. Yes.

BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. Was that X-ray
 taken at the Toronto General Hospital? A. No sir,
at the hospital in Bracebridge -- the Red Cross
Hospital.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Is there a report from
the man who took the X-rays?

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: We have not found that out.
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THE WITNESS: No, I do not/there was any. They
did not want to permit it to come away from the
hospital at all. Dr. Ellis in Bracebridge looked it
over, and he advised me to go back right away, and have
more radium treatment, and I said, "No, I will not do
that, because I get such a burning I could not stand
to go back", and so I brought it over here, and the
nurse came in and told me there was a crack.

As soon as I came out of the anaesthetic I felt
this pain. I never had any soreness in the jaw before
I went there, and from that until the present just now
it does pain me, but from that until the pain ceased, I
had a desperate pain in my jaw, and I always figured
it was cracked, yet I never went to have the X-ray. The

nurse advised me to have one, and the hospital advised me to go back.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: It is here in this hospital? A. It is here in this hospital, yes.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: It would be interesting to see that.

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Yes.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: I think that is about all we require from you.

BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. You intend to continue taking treatments here so long as Miss Caisse feels it is advisable to? A. As long as I have the means I would like to clean it up, because I felt such a wonderful improvement, and because I have been practically eight years that I have not been able to work, or eat proper food to keep up the strength to work. Financially, I am pretty near broke, so I am very anxious to get on my feet again.

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: I think that is all we want. Thank you very much.

THE WITNESS: I am glad to be here. Would it be a fair question to ask you what you think about the tongue?

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Well, it looks all right now. We are interested in this treatment, and we appreciate your coming, and giving the information you have.

THE WITNESS: I am sorry.

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COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: You do not need to be sorry at all, but I do not think I had better discuss it with you.

THE WITNESS: All right.

-- The witness retired.

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MRS. EMMA FORSYTHE, called,
(Utterson, Ontario)

EX 3: C. card
May 2, 1937

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: We are taking a record so that the other members of the Commission will get the information as well, and in order to do that, we ask you to take an affirmation that what you say is true.

A. Very well.

Q. And if you would speak so that you can be heard by this gentleman, the reporter, we will appreciate that.

A. Yes.

-- Whereupon the witness was sworn.

BY COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Q. You know, you do not need to mind this?

A. No.

Q. You do not feel a bit nervous about this?

A. No, not in a way.

Q. Do not be, because we want to hear about these things. It is very interesting, and we want to hear it.

A. Do you just want me to tell my story?

COMMISSIONER WALLACE: I think we might ask questions a little bit, because you have a very long story, I believe?

A. Yes.

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BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE: Q. Did Dr. Gregg give