

Senator CROLL: What was the answer?

Mr. BURGESS: The answers to the first question were: 90 per cent "yes".

Senator ISNOR: Is that of your total number of employees?

Mr. BURGESS: Yes, of the total number of employees who are participants in the savings plan, and the only employees who are not participants in that plan are those who have not been with the company for the required length of time, six months. I believe it is one or two employees of our total who are not participants in this plan.

Senator CROLL: How many employees have you?

Mr. BURGESS: Just a moment, and I will get you the actual figures.

Mr. T. S. Johnston, President, Interprovincial Pipe Line Company: Just under 600.

Senator CROLL: And all but two are participants?

Mr. JOHNSTON: Ninety-nine per cent of them are, of the eligible ones.

The CHAIRMAN: Could we have the actual figures of the vote?

Mr. JOHNSTON: Yes, I have the vote here.

Mr. BURGESS: To question No. 1 the answers were: "Yes", 475; "No" 22; and "No answer" 11. Perhaps I had better go back.

The CHAIRMAN: Question No. 2?

Mr. BURGESS: "Yes" 400; "No" 35; "No answer" 73. In the first case the "Yes" replies as a percentage of the total replies received were 93.5 per cent; and to the second question, 78.7 per cent. The total number of employees participating in the plan were 575. There were 14 absent because of sickness or vacation, so the total number of employees polled was 561. The total number of replies received were 508, being 90.5 per cent of those polled.

The CHAIRMAN: Is the committee ready to consider the bill section by section? Are there any further questions?

Section 1: Subdivision of capital stock. Shall section 1 carry?

Hon. SENATORS: Carried.

The CHAIRMAN: Section 2: Rights of holders of present shares. Shall section 2 carry?

Hon. SENATORS: Carried.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall the preamble carry?

Hon. SENATORS: Carried.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall the title carry?

Hon. SENATORS: Carried.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall I report the bill without amendment?

Hon. SENATORS: Carried.

The CHAIRMAN: There is one motion which it is suggested the committee might see fit to pass, seeing this is the resubmission of a bill which came to us last session:

Your committee recommends that the parliamentary fees paid upon the bill at the last session apply to the bill of this session.

That seems reasonable, I think. It was no fault of the sponsors they did not get through last session.

Motion agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: Thank you, gentlemen.

Mr. BURGESS: Thank you, honourable senators.