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company, enforce some rules so as to ensure order on their property.

Furthermore, it is normal also for the contractor, the owner or the company, while respecting the rights of the workers, to be concerned with work efficiency, a smooth operation and results.

There are also sanitary and welfare reasons, but I shall dispense with them.

There is also the principle concerning order. The contractor must enforce regulations so that general order may prevail on his properties.

I think now of certain facts which I have witnessed and even experienced in the Quebec area from where I come and especially in northern Quebec.

I remember how, a few years ago, all our fellow-citizens looked with interest at the huge construction sites at Labrieville; they were managed by a landlord who was the Quebec government. The government was also a contractor who had to respect the rights of the workers. When the Bersimis river dam was built, severe rules were applied. Just any Quebec or Canadian citizens, just anybody, was not allowed across the barrier, even along the 85-mile road connecting Forestville and Labrieville.

I also remember the campsites during the construction of the dam at Lac Cassé, somewhere in the same area, and all those clearing jobs that went on: clearing the land, the shores and the rivers, when the dam was built. The contractor built bunk-houses for a relatively short time, usually for the summer. Let me tell you that the rules have to be strict, and that order has to be maintained.

The same goes for logging contractors' campsites. Back home, in my area, every year we have several campsites which are really rudimentary bunk-houses. Those same camps are used by students, young people during the summer months when the weather is good, to do forestry work. When I read this bill, it brought to my mind those sites, that type of work.

But I also thought of the matter of jurisdiction, which is most important and which I do not feel clashes with the rights of workers and labourers. Does this not, I told myself, fall within provincial jurisdiction? I know full well that several provincial departments, of which those of Labour, Health, Forestry, prepared regulations and complied with special laws concerning the facilities in those camps, the protection of the worker and the

labourer, and the condition of the bunkhouses of which mention is made in the explanatory notes.

There is something else everyone knows which I should like to mention here. When we speak of constitution, of jurisdiction, whether it be that of federal or provincial governments, we always think of the B.N.A. Act and of section 92 which stipulates that in every province, the legislature has the exclusive right to legislate in certain matters. Amongst others, I see that according to subsection 13 of section 92, "ownership and civil rights" fall within its jurisdiction. We are dealing here with criminal law, but in Quebec, as mentioned a while ago, special legislation applies relating to civil law.

[English]

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. The time for private members business has expired. If there is consent we will resume the business interrupted at six o'clock.

FARM IMPROVEMENT LOANS ACT

AMENDMENTS EXTENDING PERIOD, RESPECT-ING INTEREST RATES, ETC.

The house resumed consideration in committee of Bill No. C-111, to amend the Farm Improvement Loans Act—Mr. Olson (for Mr. Benson)—Mr. Faulkner in the chair.

The Chairman: As it is now seven o'clock I do now leave the chair.

At seven o'clock the committee took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The committee resumed at 8 p.m.

Mr. Burton: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a few remarks with respect to clause 1 of this bill, and some of the discussion that has taken place so far on this clause. I found it of some interest to note the performance of the government and the attitude of the government in dealing with the legislation now before us. Some of us are rather new to this house and to the ways of the house, but I must say that we are not so new that we could not see the pattern of some of the things that have been done, and the approach that has been used in dealing with some of the questions raised in connection with farm credit legislation.

The performance of the government with regard to some of these questions has been