Further on the same page I read this: "This amendment was as much a declaration of policy as if it stated that the question of adjusting the railway

rates on grain should be investigated by the Railway Board."

I would take it from this citation that referring the subject-matter of this bill to a committee is a declaration of policy. Having said that, may I refer Members to citation 393 which reads as follows: "An amendment purporting to approve the principle of a bill and at the same time enunciating a declaration of policy cannot be moved to the second reading."

It is for this reason that I declare the amendment out of order.

In accordance with the provisions of provisional Standing Order 6(2), Mr. Pickersgill, seconded by Mr. Turner, moved,—That the House continue to sit after 6.00 o'clock p.m. this day.

And no Member having risen to object, the motion was deemed to have been carried.

Debate was resumed on the motion of Mr. Pickersgill, seconded by Mr. Turner,—That Bill C-231, An Act to define and implement a national transportation policy for Canada, to amend the Railway Act and other Acts in consequence thereof and enact other consequential provisions, be now read a second time.

And debate continuing;

By unanimous consent, at 6.15 o'clock p.m. the sitting was suspended until 7.00 o'clock p.m.

Debate was resumed on the motion of Mr. Pickersgill, seconded by Mr. Turner,—That Bill C-231, An Act to define and implement a national transportation policy for Canada, to amend the Railway Act and other Acts in consequence thereof and enact other consequential provisions, be now read a second time.

And debate continuing;

Pursuant to provisional Standing Order 6(2), at 10.33 o'clock p.m., on motion of Mr. Pickersgill, seconded by Mr. Turner, the House adjourned.

Returns and Reports Deposited with the Clerk of the House

The following papers having been deposited with the Clerk of the House were laid upon the Table pursuant to Standing Order 40, namely;

By Mr. Nicholson, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—Report on the Industrial Relations and Disputes Investigation Act for the year ended March 31, 1966, pursuant to section 68 of the said Act, chapter 152, R.S.C., 1952. (English and French).

By Mr. Nicholson,—Report on the Government Annuities Act for the year ended March 31, 1966, pursuant to section 16 of the said Act, chapter 132, R.S.C., 1952. (English and French).