COMMONS DEBATES

CANADA PENSION PLAN

AMENDMENT EXTENDING BENEFITS TO PRESENT PENSIONERS

Mr. Steven Otto (York East) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-128, to amend the Canada Pension Plan (provision for retired persons).

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Otto: I need not explain to you, Mr. Speaker, or to anyone in this house the extreme hardship which is faced by old people who are living on their present pensions.

Mr. Knowles: How did you vote?

Mr. Otto: The purpose of this bill is to entitle all pensioners to take advantage of the Canada Pension Plan and to get the benefit of the plan immediately.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

CRIMINAL CODE

AMENDMENT RESPECTING PEACEFUL PICKETING

Mr. David Lewis (York South) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-129, to amend the Criminal Code (modernization of law of picketing).

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Lewis: Mr. Speaker, this a proposed amendment to section 366 of the Criminal Code which is intended to make peaceful picketing by any numbers lawful, and to make clear that picketers may also seek to persuade others to assist them in their cause in the case of a strike, rather than merely conveying information.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

INVITATIONS TO PRIME MINISTER TO SKEENA CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 55-Mr. Howard:

Since September 1, 1965, has any person, group or organization invited the Prime Minister to visit the electoral district of Skeena and, if so, what is the name and address of each such person, group or organization, and the date of each invitation?

Mr. John R. Matheson (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): Yes. Skeena Liberal Association, through the association President, Ivor Donald, Kitimat, B.C., on September 22, 1965.

Questions

B.C.-YUKON INDIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Question No. 67-Mr. Howard:

1. Is there, under the auspices of the federal government, a B.C.-Yukon Indian advisory council? 2. What is the name and address of each mem-

ber of the said council? 3. Upon what date was each such member appointed or elected to the said council and what is his tenure of office?

4. What method was used to determine the membership of the council and if the method involved consultation, what is the name and address of each person, group or organization that was consulted?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources): 1. Yes.

2. Mr. Phillip Paul, South Saanich Indian Reserve, Brentwood Bay, B.C. Mr. James Gosnell, Gitlakdamix Indian Reserve, Aiyansh, B.C. Mr. George Manuel, Neskainlith Indian Reserve, Chase, B.C. Mr. James Antoine, Box 540, Vanderhoof, B.C. Chief Richard Malloway, Chilliwack River Road, R.R. 2, Sardis, B.C. Mrs. Clara Tizya, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory. Mr. Guy Williams, 194 Hastings, Vancouver, 4, B.C. Mr. Gus Gottfriedson, Box 27, Kamloops, B.C. Mrs. Laura Williams, Box 61, Harrison Mills, B.C.

3. Elections for the representatives were completed on May 31, 1965, and the term of office is for three years.

4. For the purpose of forming the council, five zones were designated in the province of British Columbia with one representative to be elected by the band councils in each zone. The Yukon Territory was also designated as a zone with one representative elected by the Band councils in the Territory. In addition, each of the two major Indian associations in British Columbia was asked to appoint a representative to the council. The ninth member of the council is chosen by the Indian homemakers' clubs in the province.

WILLOW COVE, N.S.-EXPENDITURE ON DEVELOPMENT

Question No. 86-Mr. Crouse:

1. What is the total cost of federal participation in the development of Willow Cove, Queens county, Nova Scotia?

2. How much of the above amount was spent on wharves or breakwater construction?

3. How much of the above amount was spent on dredging Willow Cove?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Departments of Public Works and Transport as follows: In so far as the Department of Public Works is concerned: 1. The total cost to date is \$554,000.

2. \$46,000.