

to the minister when I was speaking to section 14—and then I thought it might be absurd to suggest it in a statute—that it might be well for the minister to say: “The department will undertake that any important regulations are brought to the attention of the public through broadcasting.” I thought that would be an easy way to deal with the matter, but I did not like to suggest it as part of the statute.

Mr. HOWE: I assure my right hon. friend that that will be done. I would point out, however, that the important regulations are printed on the back of the broadcasting licence, itself.

Mr. BENNETT: And the statute is now more complete in that regard than it was before?

Mr. HOWE: Yes; in revising the act we have brought in most of the regulations.

Mr. LAWSON: Printing regulations on the back of the licence will not help much, because the section is designed against people who have no licences.

Amendment agreed to.

Section as amended agreed to.

Section 15 agreed to.

Bill reported, read the third time and passed.

At six o'clock the house took recess.

### After Recess

The house resumed at eight o'clock.

### PRIVATE BILLS

RESTIGOUCHE LOG DRIVING AND BOOM COMPANY—  
NON-INSISTENCE UPON AMENDMENT

Mr. C. J. VENIOT (Gloucester) moved:

That a message be sent to the Senate to acquaint Their Honours that this house does not insist on its amendment to its Bill No. 66, respecting the Restigouche Log Driving and Boom Company, to which the Senate disagreed.

Motion agreed to.

### SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 125, for the relief of Paul Sanson White.—Mr. Hill.

Bill No. 126, for the relief of Louise Maud Thomas Gregory.—Mr. Factor.

Bill No. 127, for the relief of Emma Kathleen Lavery Forester.—Mr. Graydon.

Bill No. 128, for the relief of Edith Margaret Campbell Quinn.—Mr. Hyndman.

Bill No. 129, for the relief of Dorothy Maud Doran Gay.—Mr. White.

### IMMIGRATION ACT

#### AMENDMENT OF PROVISION RESPECTING PROHIBITED CLASSES

The house resumed from Tuesday, May 24, consideration of the motion of Mr. Neill for the second reading of Bill No. 112, to amend the Immigration Act.

Mr. A. W. NEILL (Comox-Alberni): Mr. Speaker, when this bill was last before the house I had risen to close the debate. I had intended to be brief; but when I was speaking it occurred to me that in view of the positive and definite statements made by the Minister of National Defence (Mr. MacKenzie), it would be well for me, not being a lawyer, to check up as to the accuracy of what he said. His statement was to the effect that the passage of this bill would make conditions in British Columbia many times worse than they were before, and would allow thousands and thousands of Japanese to enter provided they possessed the ability to learn English. I took up this matter with every legal expert I could find, and with one accord they said that this was not so. Most of them laughed; some of them swore, and others said, “How could it?” I showed them the Immigration Act and my bill and asked them if it was possible that any increased number of Japanese could come in, and with one accord they said it was impossible.

Section 3 of the Immigration Act contains a number of prohibited classes. People who come under those classes cannot enter Canada under any condition. There are twenty-one different classes set out, and I shall name one or two at random. Persons who are imbeciles, Persons afflicted with tuberculosis, persons who are alcoholics and so on are not allowed in. The twentieth prohibition has to do with people who cannot read any language. I am dealing with the Japanese at the moment, and they would be able to come in if they could read the Japanese language. I add to that prohibition by stating that in addition to any person being able to read their own language, they must be able to read either English, French or some language of Europe. How could that possibly let in more Japanese? They can come in now if they can read their own language. I simply superimpose on that the stipulation that they must be able to read English. Yet we are told that this will allow thousands and thousands of Japanese to come in.

Mr. CRERAR: If my hon. friend will pardon me, I believe he is wrong there. The number is limited to-day by the gentleman's