

railways tell me on Thursday that they are going to have five or no French-speaking directors. I would still be opposed to this and would be in favour of trying to get the right representations through other means than legislation. I do not think we gain anything by standing the clause.

Mr. REGAN: If I might add to this, I like Mr. Hahn, am against this type of legislation. If the legislation is wrong, then the idea of putting it off until Thursday to use the legislation as a threat, is also wrong. I therefore think that the question should be put to a vote at this time.

(Translation)

Mr. BEAULÉ: Would you read the amendment again please?

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Caron, seconded by Mr. Beaulé, moves that section 7 be amended by adding the words, at the end of the section: "and that two of them—

Mr. CARON: That at least two.

Mr. BEAULÉ: That at least two.

The CHAIRMAN: —that at least two of them should be French-speaking Canadians.

Mr. CARON: That is correct.

(Text)

The CHAIRMAN: In my humble translation the amendment to Clause 7 is as follows, that Clause 7 be amended by adding a comma after the word "company", followed by the words "and that at least two of the said directors shall be French-speaking Canadians".

Is the committee ready for the question? All those in favour of the amendment please raise their hands. Those against?

Mr. MACKASEY: I would like to ask you to take note that I abstained for very selfish reasons.

The CHAIRMAN: The amendment is carried eight to seven.

Shall Clause 7 as amended carry?

Clause 7 as amended agreed to.

On Clause 8—*Executive committee of directors.*

Mr. BARNETT: I would like to ask the following question out of curiosity: I would like to know how the president of the company is going to be chosen, since the president of the company is ex officio a member of the executive committee. It has already been suggested that probably both railway companies would name a number of directors. I do not see any formula for naming the president of the company.

Mr. MACDOUGALL: This is the normal thing. This type of situation is met in other circumstances. It is usual to alternate the president between the two companies, if the two companies own the subsidiary and equal shares, on some agreed upon basis, either yearly or something of this kind.

Mr. SPENCE: The same situation arises in the Toronto Terminal Railway Company.

(Translation)

Mr. BEAULÉ: Mr. Chairman, I know that in Quebec, at the Shawinigan terminal, the president is appointed for two years by the Canadian Pacific and vice versa two other years by the Canadian National. Is that the way they intend to proceed?