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regardless of the affidavits, which he must be able to guarantee, that everything went through perfectly legitimately and that there were no disagreements in the Canadian Order of Foresters. I believe the sponsor of the bill, being a generous member of parliament, agreed to move the motion for the endorsement of this bill. Many hon. members find themselves doing such things out of courtesy and decency, although they do not endorse the principle of the bill. The hon. member for Grenville-Carleton (Mr. Blair) is the sponsor of some insurance bills here, and yet I know very well that in his heart he does not endorse the concept of foreign ownership of life insurance companies. This does not carry with it any simple endorsement.

The editor of the *Canadian Forester* wound up the article in this way:

We end with the comments from a member who has attended many High Courts "at High Court after High Court our executive brought out the 'Old Bogey Man'—The Superintendent of Insurance". Remember how we were told of his displeasure because we held High Court meetings every two years. And the terrible things he might do if we did not go to three or four year conventions. If this ever was, he should have been in the Jolly Baron convention hall raising his voice, because now we hold High Court meetings every six months.

This is the end of the editorial and follows on the references of my friend, the hon. member for Timiskaming (Mr. Peters). Surely, the high court officials do not refer to Mr. Humphrys as a bogey man, a man to be feared. If he is looked upon as a bogey man by the executive, then perhaps the executive has not been doing things correctly. If you live by the book you have nothing to fear from the law enforcement officers, but if you live outside the book then there is reason to look on the one who enforces the rules, who in this case is the Superintendent of Insurance, as a bogey man who is able to crack down.

Mr. Ryan: You are killing a just bill.

Mr. Howard (Skeena): I am doing no such thing.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Richard): Order. It being five o'clock the hour for private members business has expired.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (B), 1968-69

TABLING OF REVISED ESTIMATE FOR LABOUR

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Richard): I have a message from His Excellency the Governor General which reads as follows:

Government House,
Ottawa,

28 February, Ottawa, 1969

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons Revised Supplementary Estimates (B) of sums required for the service of Canada for the year ending on the 31st March, 1969, and, in accordance with the provisions of "The British North America Act, 1867" the Governor General recommends these Estimates to the House of Commons.

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this estimate is to allow Labour, Vote 12b to cover all of the persons now receiving compensation for disability caused by silicosis as a result of their employment in the coal mines on Cape Breton Island which were taken over by the Cape Breton Development Corporation.

This purpose is to be accomplished by the addition of the words "and other persons" to the wording given in the original supplementary estimates (B) for this Vote which referred only to persons who are employees of the Cape Breton Development Corporation.

I should add that this addition is in keeping with the explanation given for this Vote before the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Estimates, and in these particular circumstances I assume the house would not wish this revised estimate to be referred to the standing committee. On Monday next we will be proceeding with this revised estimate and will not proceed with the of original Labour Vote 12b.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Richard): Is this agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Richard): It being five o'clock this house stands adjourned until two o'clock Monday afternoon. I hope hon. members enjoy the excellent weather that Ottawa is providing.

At five o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.