

when the Canadian Wheat Board made its payments later on they deducted the one per cent, and the farmer lost that no matter whether he came under the Crop Insurance Act or not. Under section 4 of Bill C-129 this is rectified. This section provides that the one per cent that has been deducted by the Wheat Board will be repaid to all farmers who have had the deduction made.

I have one further remark to make. At the present time, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Prince Edward Island have adopted crop insurance under this act. Nova Scotia and Alberta have passed enabling legislation. These are the provinces which have asked for this legislation, and this bill provides for reinsurance. If the bill is passed, I hope they will also decide to come under the act.

Hon. Eric Cook: Honourable senators—

The Hon. the Speaker: I must inform honourable senators that if the honourable Senator Cook speaks now, it will have the effect of closing the debate.

Hon. Mr. Cook: Honourable senators, I am sure we all agree, in view of the excellent contributions to the debate, that the sense of the house seems to be that this bill be not referred to a committee. I therefore ask honourable senators to give favourable consideration to the motion for second reading of the bill.

Motion agreed to and bill read second time.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Cook: With leave of the Senate, I move that the bill be read the third time now.

Motion agreed to and bill read third time and passed.

BANKING AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

AUTHORITY TO SIT DURING SENATE ADJOURNMENTS—REPORT OF COM- MITTEE ADOPTED

The Senate proceeded to consideration of the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, which was presented yesterday.

Hon. Mr. Cook, for Hon. Mr. Hayden, moved that the report be adopted now.

Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West): Honourable senators, this may appear to be a matter of repetition, because yesterday when the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Finance (Hon. Mr. Leonard) presented a similar motion, which I understand to be independent of the motion now presented, I spoke of the importance that I think all of us attach to

the work of the committees of the Senate, even when the Senate is not in session.

Without repeating what I said yesterday, I would ask that the views I expressed then apply also to this motion. However, because this motion gives me an opportunity to speak again, and also because I have the responsibility of piloting public bills through this chamber, I would like to record the appreciation that all of us feel to the chairmen of our various standing and select committees for the valuable service they render the Senate and Parliament in the work they perform. To be chairman of a committee is not always an easy task. It is not always easy to ensure that there is a quorum. The decisions that have to be made, and the judicial way in which they are best made in the interests of the Senate and Parliament, often impose a heavy burden upon our chairmen. We have able committees in the Senate, as the public recognizes, and I say that our present chairmen are worthy of the high traditions established by outstanding men who occupied these positions in the Senate in the past.

Report adopted.

ROYAL ASSENT

NOTICE

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that he had received the following communication:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Ottawa

15 October 1964

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Hon. Robert Taschereau, P.C., Chief Justice of Canada, acting as Deputy to His Excellency the Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber today, the 15th October, at 5.45 p.m., for the purpose of giving royal assent to certain bills.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,
A. G. Cherrier,
Assistant Secretary to the
Governor General.

The Honourable
The Speaker of the Senate.

PRIVATE BILL

MOUNTAIN PACIFIC PIPELINE LTD.—SECOND READING

Hon. T. D'Arcy Leonard moved the second reading of Bill S-41, to incorporate Mountain Pacific Pipeline Ltd.