

The CHAIRMAN: There may be a meeting sooner than that, so you had better not put the word "next" in there.

Senator LEONARD: I will put the word "next" in there because it should be retained on the agenda, and then if there is a meeting of the committee tomorrow perhaps we could simply say that we will keep it on the agenda but will adjourn the matter. If it is agreeable to the committee, I suggest we adjourn consideration of this bill, keeping it on the agenda for the next meeting of this committee.

Senator CRERAR: I would support Senator Leonard's suggestion. By that time—

Senator McCUTCHEON: I suggest this be adjourned at your call, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Just a minute, we have several things here.

Senator CRERAR: I would support—have I the floor?

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, you have seconded the motion.

Senator CRERAR: I would support Senator Leonard's suggestion. By that time we should have the report of today's proceedings. We would then have had an opportunity to examine it and obtain whatever information we require.

Senator WOODROW: Don't you think we should notify the chartered banks and other institutions that might be interested that we would be glad to have them come before us?

The CHAIRMAN: We will send them a notice.

Senator POWER: Do I understand you to have said the chartered banks have not been asked to attend?

The CHAIRMAN: Not as yet.

Senator POWER: I move that the chairman of the chartered banks, or someone representing the chartered banks, whoever that might be, be invited to give evidence.

Senator LEONARD: The logical person is the president of the Canadian Bankers' Association, if they wish to do so.

Senator POWER: Let us invite them so that they will not be able to say they were not notified.

Senator LEONARD: If they do not wish to appear—

Senator POWER: That is their business.

Senator LEONARD: —that is quite all right.

The CHAIRMAN: That has been noted and that will be done.

We have a motion to adjourn. In view of what I know about the possibility of another meeting of this committee very soon, if I might suggest it, possibly the motion should be that this bill be retained on the agenda of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce for the next regular sitting of the committee.

Senator LEONARD: That is perfectly all right with me. I know what you have in mind, and I would certainly give it priority over the Bank of Western Canada bill.

Motion agreed to.

The committee adjourned.