

But they may have some bearing on the problem of how to make sure that nothing of the kind ever happens again in Canada.

Having lived in the same community as Emma Woikin for thirty-five years, and having known her father, mother, and brothers, I feel that it is my duty to bring this article to the attention of the Senate. For many years I was reeve of the municipality in which Emma Woikin lived, and Dr. Batanoff, the same doctor who attended my five children, was available to her. He was a man who had to make his escape from Russia merely because he favoured a minority party. Dr. Batanoff was one of the finest men I have ever had the privilege of knowing. He worked himself to death.

I cannot imagine the family of Emma Woikin suffering any hardship whatever; they were well-to-do people and were settled on the very best of land. If any people in the community required medical assistance, and cars were not fast enough, I know that during the years when I was reeve airplanes were secured to take them to hospital, and that when necessary doctors performed operations whether the patients had money or not.

I believe it would be wrong to allow the impression given in this article to go unchallenged.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 3 p.m.

THE SENATE

Tuesday, August 27, 1946.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

NATIONAL EMERGENCY TRANSITIONAL POWERS BILL

FIRST READING

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill 253, an Act to amend the National Emergency Transitional Powers Act, 1945.

The bill was read the first time.

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall this bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON: Honourable senators, I would ask that this bill be placed at the foot of the order paper, for second reading at a later stage of this sitting.

Hon. Mr. HORNER.

Hon. Mr. CRERAR: I have not seen the bill, but I understand there are some amendments. May we have an explanation?

Hon. Mr. LEGER: The only amendment I can see in the bill is the substitution of the word "sixtieth" for the word "fifteenth"—that is, it provides that the act shall expire on the sixtieth day after parliament meets next year, instead of the fifteenth day thereafter. It does not seem to be contentious.

The Hon. the SPEAKER: Ordered that the bill be placed at the foot of the order paper, to be considered later in the sitting.

MILITIA PENSION BILL

FIRST READING

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill 392, an Act to amend the Militia Pension Act.

The bill was read the first time.

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall the bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON: Honourable senators, I would ask that the motion for second reading of this bill be proceeded with later in the sitting.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTROL BILL

SUBJECT-MATTER—RECOMMENDATION OF COMMITTEE FOR PRINTING OF EVIDENCE

Hon. Mr. BEAUREGARD presented and moved concurrence in the following recommendation:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the subject-matter of Bill 195, entitled an Act respecting the control of the acquisition and disposition of foreign currency and the control of transactions involving foreign currency or non-residents, beg to recommend that authority be granted for the printing of 600 copies in English and 150 copies in French of the evidence adduced before the committee on the 20th and 21st August instant on the said subject-matter, and that Rule 100 be suspended in so far as it relates to the said printing.

The motion was agreed to.

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA ACT

PROPOSAL TO AMEND—MOTION—DEBATE CONTINUED

The Senate resumed from Tuesday, August 20, the adjourned debate on the motion of Hon. Mr. McGeer:

That in the opinion of this house, a special committee consisting of six senators from Ontario, six senators from Quebec, six senators from the Maritime Provinces and six senators