

Bill No. 25, for the relief of Francis Gordon Sullivan.—Mr. MacLean.

Bill No. 26, for the relief of Minerva Jane Cory.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 31, for the relief of Esther Irene Lind Booth.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 32, for the relief of Katie Hoffman Pinsky.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 33, for the relief of Dorothy Adams Acer McDougall.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 34, for the relief of Helen-Douglas Stewart Rankin.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 35, for the relief of Olive Esther Rose Ewen.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 36, for the relief of Andrew Prem-Das.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 38, for the relief of Reginald Wesley Titcombe.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 39, for the relief of Hilda Forsey Pearce Johnston.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 40, for the relief of Ann Low Fuller Mitchell.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 41, for the relief of Marguerita St. Catherine McKeigan Guillevin.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 42, for the relief of Bessie Goldrosen Green.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 43, for the relief of Audrey Helen Jackson Maxham.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 44, for the relief of Frank Russell Yeoman.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 45, for the relief of Florence Joy McGibbon Laffeur.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 46, for the relief of Isobel Cameron McLaggan Oswald.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 47, for the relief of John Louis Charlebois.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 49, for the relief of Georgina Hylda Swaffield McKenzie.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 50, for the relief of Dorothy Ellen Cope Kimpton.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 52, for the relief of Charles Patrick Kavanagh.—Mr. Maybank.

Bill No. 53, for the relief of Irene Gertrude Carry Staley.—Mr. Maybank.

Some hon. MEMBERS: On division.

DOMINION ELECTIONS ACT

INMATES OF INSTITUTIONS FOR THE POOR

On the order:

Second reading of Bill No. 4, to amend the Dominion Elections Act, 1938.—Mr. Fair.

Hon. PAUL MARTIN (Secretary of State): Before this motion is dealt with, Mr. Speaker, I have had an opportunity of discussing this matter with the hon. gentleman, and without in any way at this moment expressing the attitude of the government with regard to the matter may I say that in all probability next session a committee will be set up to

deal with the elections act. So that in view of that possibility it does seem to me that it would be better to let this matter stand over until next session. Then, in the event a committee is set up, which I expect will be the case, this matter could be referred to that committee for consideration.

Mr. FAIR: With the definite understanding that this bill will be brought in and considered next session I am agreeable to the suggestion made by the Secretary of State.

Hon. IAN A. MACKENZIE (Minister of Veterans Affairs): May I say there can be no definite understanding. There will be such action as may be possible in view of the circumstances prevailing at the time.

Mr. SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the house that the hon. gentleman may have the privilege of withdrawing his bill?

Some hon. MEMBERS: Carried.

Bill withdrawn and order discharged.

CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD ACT

COMMISSIONS TO AGENTS IN CONNECTION WITH SALE OF WHEAT

Mr. ROBERT FAIR (Battle River) moved the second reading of bill No. 5, to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act, 1935.

He said: Mr. Speaker, the Canadian Wheat Board Act was passed in 1935 after practically everybody in Canada, I believe, became satisfied that our marketing system, that is the grain exchange, had broken down. It was found necessary to pass that legislation; and while to a certain extent it is satisfactory to most farmers, there are still some things in it which should be rectified. In order to rectify some of these matters, I have on more than one occasion introduced the present amendment to the act. The relevant paragraphs of section 8 read as follows:

8. It shall be the duty of the board—

(h) to give effect to any order in council that may be passed with respect to its operations;

(i) in selling and disposing of wheat as by this act provided, to utilize and employ without discrimination such marketing agencies, including commission merchants, brokers, elevator men, exporters and other persons engaged in or operating facilities for the selling and handling of wheat, as the board in its discretion may determine;

(j) to offer wheat for sale in the markets of the world through the established channels: Provided that the board may, if in its opinion any existing agencies are not operating satisfactorily, take such steps as it deems expedient to establish, utilize and employ its own or other marketing agencies or channels.

This ties the wheat board down to using the established channels. It is my opinion that