

provincial readjustment particularly in regard to Témiscouata, whose member wishes to get back the parishes taken from him by the former government?

Right Hon. ERNEST LAPOINTE (Minister of Justice) (Translation): I shall be glad to inquire into the matter raised by my hon. friend. However, I think the Representation Act contains a clause stating that the words or expressions used to denote territorial divisions are to be construed as indicating such territorial divisions as existed at the date of the passing of the act. Therefore, any changes effected since would have no effect as regards the dominion act. In any event, I shall ask my hon. friend to let me examine the matter and take it under consideration.

RAINY LAKE WATER LEVELS

CANADA-UNITED STATES CONVENTION OF SEPTEMBER 15, 1938—CONCURRENCE IN SENATE
AMENDMENTS

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved the second reading of and concurrence in amendments made by the senate to Bill No. 72, to carry into effect the provisions of the convention of the 15th September, 1938, providing for emergency regulation of the level of Rainy lake and of the level of other boundary waters in the Rainy lake watershed.

He said: The first amendment is to section 4. When the bill passed this house this section read in part:

—in the event the commission shall determine that such emergency conditions exist.

The senate have added the word "that" before the word "commission." With this amendment this phrase would read:

—in the event that the commission shall determine that such emergency conditions exist.

By way of explanation of the original text I may say that it followed the language of the agreement itself upon which this particular section is based. The other amendment has to do with section 7, which now reads in part: —make all orders and issue all processes necessary.

The senate have changed this to read:

—make all orders and issue every process necessary.

The only comment I would have to make on this change is that if it were found necessary to change the phrase "all processes" to "every process," I cannot see why it should not be equally desirable to change the phrase "all orders." However, the meaning of the section will remain as it was, and I suggest that these changes be accepted.

[Mr. Pouliot.]

Motion agreed to; amendments read the second time and concurred in.

GRAIN FUTURES

TRADING IN FUTURES ON WINNIPEG GRAIN EXCHANGE—CONCURRENCE IN SENATE
AMENDMENTS

Hon. W. D. EULER (Minister of Trade and Commerce) moved the second reading of and concurrence in amendments made by the senate to Bill No. 81, to provide for the supervision and regulation of trading in grain futures.

Mr. MacNEIL: Explain, please.

Mr. EULER: These amendments are not very far-reaching. The first amendment is to section 5, paragraph (d). This paragraph now reads in part:

(d) requiring every member of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange to obtain from its agents and correspondents such particulars of all transactions in grain futures—

The amendment would make this paragraph read:

(d) requiring every member of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange to use his best endeavours to obtain from his agents and correspondents—

The senate thought that the section as it was possibly placed responsibility upon a man which conceivably it might be impossible to fulfil. The government has no objection to modifying the section in that way.

The next amendment is to subsection 2 of the same section 5, which reads:

Before any such regulation is made notice thereof shall first be given to the Winnipeg Grain Exchange and the Winnipeg Grain and Produce Exchange Clearing Association Limited, and each of the said associations shall be given an opportunity to be heard in connection therewith.

The insertion after "each of the said associations" of the words "or any member thereof" is quite unobjectionable.

Section 8, subsection 1(d), says that the board may:

—suspend from trading privileges any member of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange if in the opinion of the board such member has been guilty of a breach of this act or of any regulation or order made thereunder and require the officials of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange to exclude any such member from trading privileges, and forbid any other member to accept orders from such member for the purchase or sale of grain.

The proposed amendment is to add:

. . . except for the purpose of closing out then existing trades.

There is no objection to that. Finally, it is proposed to substitute for subsection 2