

Agricultural Products Board

declaratory of some principle adverse to, or differing from, the principles, policy, or provisions of the bill" is placed before the house. I submit that neither on the other occasion nor tonight has the member asked for an amendment of the particular bill. After all, if he were to do that Your Honour would rule it out of order. You would say: Wait until you get into committee and then move the amendment. What is being asked for is other legislation differing from the legislation presented to the house at the present time. Perhaps Your Honour would like to leave the matter over until another time. I can present you with half a dozen such examples in the last three or four years.

Mr. Gardiner: It is almost ten o'clock. I am only going to say one word in conclusion, and then I imagine we can call it ten o'clock and discuss the matter on Monday.

Mr. Wright: I have the floor.

Mr. Gardiner: It is on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The minister is speaking on the point of order.

Mr. Gardiner: We are discussing the point of order, and have been for some considerable time.

Mr. Speaker: If it is on the point of order the minister has the right to speak.

Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood): He always has the right to speak whether or not it is a point of order.

Mr. Gardiner: I think the words which have just been read bear out exactly the argument I was presenting to the house a few moments ago, namely that it would be quite proper to move that kind of amendment on the bill to which it is related, the Agricultural Prices Support Act. If an amendment were going to be made of the nature indicated, that is the act to which it would be made. I can quite understand the ruling being given, when that measure was before the house for amendments that it was proper to move some other amendment to the bill or the act. But here we have a new bill that is not related to that act in any way whatsoever. The purpose of this bill is to set up a board. That has nothing to do with the matter of establishing any formula in connection with prices. The purpose of the amendment moved is to amend some other bill, some other act.

Mr. Wright: No.

Mr. Gardiner: It does not mean anything unless it means that. I do not think it is proper to introduce a full-scale discussion on another bill into the discussion of this

particular bill. I submit that, and if you will call it ten o'clock we can continue on Monday.

Mr. Wright: I wish to say a word on the point of order. The minister has just made the statement—

Some hon. Members: Ten o'clock.

Mr. Speaker: Order. I think the hon. member for Melfort (Mr. Wright) has the right to say a word on the point of order.

Mr. Wright: The minister has stated that this bill has no connection with the Agricultural Prices Support Act. What about subsection 5 of section 4? It reads:

The board may, when so appointed under paragraph (i) of subsection 1 of section 9 of the Agricultural Prices Support Act, 1944, undertake the purchase and the disposition of agricultural products for the purposes of that act.

This bill has a very definite connection with the Agricultural Prices Support Act if it means anything at all.

Mr. Gardiner: It has nothing to do with the sections that deal with the question that is referred to here.

Mr. Wright: I move the adjournment of the debate.

On motion of Mr. Wright the debate was adjourned.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Fournier (Hull): Mr. Speaker, on Monday we will take up Bill No. 18, an act to provide for the establishment of an agricultural products board. That is the bill that has been under discussion tonight. Then we will take up Bill No. 36, an act to amend the Combines Investigation Act; Bill No. 15, an act to provide for privileges and immunities in respect of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Mr. Drew: You can stop there.

Mr. Fournier (Hull): Bill No. 23, an act to amend the Government Annuities Act; Bill No. 26, an act to amend the Public Works Act. This is a bill for patient people. I have been thinking over what was said by the opposition and perhaps we may amend it to meet their wishes in part anyway.

An hon. Member: You had better.

Mr. Fournier (Hull): I do not want to lose my good reputation. If time permits we will take up the remaining items on the order paper.

At ten o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to the order of the house passed on November 2, 1951.