The Committee resumed consideration of Bill 334, An Act to Provide for the Superannuation of Persons Employed in the Public Service of Canada.

Mr. Taylor made a further general statement on the said Bill and was questioned thereon.

The Committee then commenced a clause by clause consideration of the said Bill.

The Chairman informed the Committee that certain amendments were to be brought forward by the Official of the Department of Finance for consideration of the Committee, and that, as several of the amendments involved an increased charge upon the public, the Committee was not competent to make the amendments to the said Bill but would recommend such amendments to the consideration of the Government in its report to the House. Copies of the proposed amendments were distributed.

Clause 1 was considered and adopted.

On clause 2:

Mr. Lesage moved:

That paragraph (a) of clause 2 be amended by inserting after the words "veterans' hospital" therein the words, as defined in the regulations,.

After discussion, and the question having been put, the said amendment was adopted.

Mr. Lesage then laid before the Committee a proposed amendment, involving an additional charge upon the public, to paragraph (p) of clause 2 as follows:

That paragraph (p) of clause 2 be amended by deleting the words and figures "31st day of March, 1947" therein and inserting therefor the words and figures 30th day of September, 1947.

The proposed amendment was considered and approved.

Clause 2, as amended, was considered and adopted.

Clauses 3 to 6 respectively were severally considered and adopted.

On clause 7:

Mr. Lesage laid before the Committee a proposed amendment, involving an additional charge upon the public, to paragraph (b) of subclause (2) of clause 7 as follows:

That paragraph (b) of subclause (2) of clause 7 be amended by deleting the said paragraph (b) and substituting therefor the following:

(b) any period of service in the Public Service as a part-time employee unless it is service that may be counted under clause (B) of subparagraph (i) of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 5.

The proposed amendment was considered and approved.

Clause 7 was considered and adopted.

Clauses 8 and 9 were severally considered and adopted.