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any change contemplated during the life of the agreement is a material change. Then if he concludes that it is not a material change, management is entitled to institute that change. If he concludes it is a material change, it is to be negotiated at that time or at the end of the agreement. That is Mr. Justice Freedman's proposal.

Hon. gentlemen will have read another report involved in this problem, namely the report of the conciliation board headed by Judge Little. In my view there is an encouraging conclusion with respect to the Freedman report in that particular aspect of the conciliation board report, because there is a large degree of agreement between the union representative and the management representative on the way to cope with the Freedman-type issue. It has not been fully resolved but encouraging steps have been taken, and there is no doubt that further encouraging steps will be taken on a voluntary basis.

• (9:50 p.m.)

**Mr. Douglas:** Did the Little commission not recommend legislation in this matter?

**Mr. Speaker:** I regret I have to interrupt the hon. minister but his time has expired.

**An hon. Member:** Keep up the filibuster by yourselves.

**Mr. Knowles:** Does the minister not have unlimited time under standing order 31?

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member for Kamloops (Mr. Fulton) has the floor on a question of privilege.

**Mr. Fulton:** Yes, Mr. Speaker, I will rise only if the Minister of Health and Welfare (Mr. MacEachen) has terminated his remarks. I do not want to interrupt him.

**Mr. MacEachen:** My time is up.

**Hon. Michael Starr (Ontario):** Mr. Speaker, I rise at this time to suggest to the house that in view of the fact no one in our party has spoken for the past six hours, we should allow the previous speaker to continue and that we should then continue the debate beyond ten o'clock in order to give hon. members on the government side an opportunity to continue their filibuster of their own bill.

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member for Kamloops.

[Mr. MacEachen.]

**Mr. Fulton:** On the understanding that the Minister of National Health and Welfare will not continue his remarks I wish to rise on a question of privilege with relation to something he previously said. He was quoting from the report of Mr. Justice Munroe and I asked him to continue reading the paragraph. It was certainly my impression from the remarks made by the minister that he had concluded the paragraph. I was therefore hesitant in suggesting there was something further. I wish therefore to place on the record the full paragraph from which the minister was quoting. It appears on page 8 of the report and reads as follows:

My recommendation is as follows:

To the hourly basic rates of pay in force at December 31, 1965, there shall be added:

- (a) effective January 1, 1966 add 4 per cent,
- (b) effective July 1, 1966, add a further 4 per cent.

That is where the minister stopped reading. The paragraph continues as follows:

(c) effective January 1, 1967 add a further 4 per cent,

(d) effective July, 1967, add a further 6 per cent. Daily, weekly and monthly rates shall be increased in an equivalent manner.

The minister read none of the subsequent provisions of that paragraph, all of which are material to the consideration before us and all of which are referred to in the amendment moved by the Leader of the Opposition. It was a deliberate attempt to pretend to the house that the recommendation stopped there.

**Mr. MacEachen:** Mr. Speaker, the subsequent remarks which I made clearly illustrated that these further percentages were included. If I did not read them, I intended to read them. They should be part of the total picture, the total 18 per cent that will likely be the ultimate basis of the settlement.

**Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works):** Mr. Speaker, I move that this house continue to sit today until eleven o'clock.

**Mr. Starr:** Mr. Speaker, I would agree to the motion only if the minister would alter it to read "until a later hour" because I think every opportunity should be given to the government if it wishes to filibuster its own bill. We are willing to sit as long as the government continues talking, in order to vote on this bill and reach a decision on it.

**Mr. Douglas:** Mr. Speaker, the members of this party would object to sitting beyond ten o'clock.