

THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the third reading of the Bill.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

FOREIGN ENLISTMENT BILL

FIRST READING

Bill 23, an Act respecting Foreign Enlistment.—Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

ORDER FOR SECOND READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, with leave I move that the motion for second reading be placed on the Order Paper for to-morrow.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: I am quite in favour of the motion and I have no objection to the Bill. But I suggest that there will be some amendments needed. I think there should be a definition of "friendly foreign state," and that parts of the measure should be modified to comply with that definition. A friendly state is, of course, a state which is at peace with our country, and that is so defined.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: My attention had not been drawn to that feature of the Bill. I should be inclined to think that there could be but two classes of nations: those with whom we are at peace and those with whom we are not at peace. I shall examine into the Bill and see what the term "friendly foreign state" means.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: I think this is an appropriate occasion to point out that we were not a party to the Lausanne Treaty that King George made with Turkey. We would not have anything to do with that, if I remember rightly. So we are not friendly with the Turks at present. They do not know that we are still at war with them, I suppose, and I doubt whether many people in Canada know it.

Hon. Mr. BARNARD: I would suggest that the honourable leader of the House come armed with information to-morrow as to the extent of the evil which the Bill seeks to cure.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I shall try to obtain that information. And I may say for the benefit of my honourable friend to my left (Hon. Mr. Casgrain) that I believe it has been clearly shown we are at peace with Turkey.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: By the Treaty of Sèvres, which has been more or less disregarded. We signed it, but we declined to have any part in it afterwards.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: As to obligations arising from it?

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Yes.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: We did not sign it; we were not there.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Oh, yes. The Treaty of Sèvres was ratified by the Parliament of Canada on the motion of the present Prime Minister.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I thought my right honourable friend was alluding to the Treaty of Lausanne.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: Preventive medicine is more effective than curative medicine.

The motion was agreed to.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS FINANCING BILL

FIRST READING

Bill 73, an Act to authorize the provision of moneys to meet certain expenditures made and indebtedness incurred by the Canadian National Railways during the calendar year 1937, and to authorize the guarantee by His Majesty of certain securities to be issued by the Canadian National Railways.—Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

SECOND READING

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND moved the second reading of the Bill.

He said: By the Bill power is given the Canadian National Railway Company to issue securities for expenditures on account of:

(a) Retirement of maturing capital obligations, miscellaneous maturing or matured notes and other obligations, secured or unsecured, and payment of sinking funds, not exceeding \$7,114,000;

(b) Additions and betterments including co-ordinations and acquisition of real or personal property, not exceeding \$23,607,700, estimated as follows:

General additions and betterments.	\$11,289,999
Less: Equipment retirements.	7,389,999
	\$ 3,900,000
Acquisition of securities. . .	561,000
New equipment purchases. . .	19,396,700
	\$23,857,700
Less: Available from working capital.	250,000
	\$23,607,700