Private Bills

"Before we pass this bill, let us give farm implements to all the farmers. We must have a general discussion on the advisability of doing that before we pass the bill."

The principle in the bill before us is the desirability of increasing the salaries of those mentioned in it, and I would ask the hon. member to take a much narrower view of the word "relevancy" and try to come somewhat closer to my own interpretation of it. I am sure he will co-operate.

Mr. Nicholson: Mr. Speaker, as I said earlier I shall try to keep within the limits and abide by your suggestion; but may I adjourn the debate now and call it five o'clock?

Some hon. Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: There is still a minute to go before we reach five o'clock. But if there is no objection, and hon members wish to call it five o'clock, we might proceed on that basis.

Mr. Howe (Port Arthur): I would consider it a favour, Mr. Speaker, if the hon. member's motion to adjourn the debate were accepted. I have a long-standing engagement for this evening, and I had not expected the debate to take this length of time. If it could be adjourned, then the government would favour taking it up as the first item of business on Monday.

On motion of Mr. Nicholson the debate was adjourned.

Mr. Speaker: As it is now five o'clock, the house will proceed to the consideration of private and public bills.

PRIVATE BILLS

ASSOCIATED CANADIAN TRAVELLERS

On the order:

House in committee on Bill No. 170 (letter T-3 of the Senate), intituled: "An act respecting the Associated Canadian Travellers".—Mr. Hanna.

Mr. Speaker: In respect of the first order under the heading of private bills, I notice that it involves a motion that I do now leave the chair for the house to resolve itself into committee of the whole on that bill. I notice the sponsor of the bill is not in his seat. Usually we do not proceed with second reading of a bill when the sponsor is not here, and if there is unanimous consent we will not proceed with this motion.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Mr. Speaker.]

GREAT LAKES REINSURANCE COMPANY

The house in committee on Bill No. 174, respecting the Great Lakes Reinsurance Company—Mr. Richard (Ottawa East)—Mr. Robinson (Simcoe East) in the chair.

Clause 1 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported, read the third time and passed.

COMMERCE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Mr. Joseph Fontaine (for Mr. Eudes) moved the second reading of Bill No. 198, respecting Commerce Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time and referred to the standing committee on banking and commerce.

SECOND READINGS-SENATE BILLS

Mr. Speaker: Shall all these divorce bills be considered in one motion?

Mr. Knowles: There are 32 of them this time.

Mr. W. G. Weir (for Mr. Hunter) moved that the following bills be read the second time:

Bill No. 263, for the relief of Henriette Duffy Cote.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 264, for the relief of Jaroslav Jandera.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 265, for the relief of Robert Alfred Denman Stencel.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 266, for the relief of Madeleine Forcier Midock.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 267, for the relief of Annie Bray Hodgson.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 268, for the relief of Joseph Kovecses.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 269, for the relief of Winifred Margery Taken Dillen.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 270, for the relief of Hilda Foster Mills Henderson.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 271, for the relief of Evelyn Beatrice Diggon Ferguson.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 272, for the relief of Hellon May Dreany English.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 273, for the relief of Ione Larson Morris.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 274, for the relief of Marie Laurette Carmen Gamache Desmarais.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 275, for the relief of Dorothy Agnes Louise Grant Walker.—Mr. Hunter.

Bill No. 276, for the relief of Evelyn Maud Nash Wyse.—Mr. Hunter.