

was on or after January 1, 1953. If the event occurred before that day the provisions of the Civil Service Superannuation Act will prevail. Payments will be made in the meantime on the basis of the present Act and any adjustments will be made retroactively in due course. Although abolition of office allowances as such will not be available under the new Act any abolitions that occur prior to the coming into force of the new Act will be open to the granting of an allowance just as has been done in the past under the Civil Service Superannuation Act.

The CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Taylor. Now I believe that we will save time for these very busy members of the civil service if we now release them and ask them to return at 8.30 tonight.

I should like a discussion and a decision of the committee as to whom you want to have come and give evidence from these different organizations. Moreover, they should be warned as to when they will be required to attend.

Mr. RICHARD: Do I understand that first we will have Mr. Taylor?

The CHAIRMAN: This evening my plan is to go over the presentation which you have just heard a paragraph at a time.

Mr. RICHARD: It may take a few meetings to do that.

The CHAIRMAN: It will take at least this evening. And I would hope that when the members have an opportunity to read over this very able and intricate presentation, they will be able to answer a lot of the questions themselves. For example, as it was being read, I found myself making notes. I made a note on page 4 of a question which I really wanted to ask. But I found that question was answered on the very next page of the presentation. Therefore I would ask the members to study this very carefully and study the Act and get as many of the answers as they can for themselves in order to save the time of the committee and the time of the officials.

Mr. RICHARD: Then we will go on with Mr. Gullock, I suppose, and the other officials before we hear the organizations?

The CHAIRMAN: What I have in mind is this: And please put me right if I am wrong. I think that Mr. Taylor should be the principal witness. When questions are asked as to which he would like to refer to one or other of his officials, he will refer to them. But as to calling all those other officials individually, I had not planned to do that.

Mr. RICHARD: Very well.

Mr. LESAGE: I would like to refer the members of the committee to the statement which was made by the Hon. Mr. Abbott in the House on April 16. It is to be found at page 3942 of Hansard. I think some supplementary explanations may be found therein, and if Mr. Abbott's statement and Mr. Taylor's presentation are studied together, they may very well answer a lot of our questions.

The CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Taylor. We are now adjourned until 8.30 tonight.

EVENING SESSION

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen we have a quorum.

Referring to page 1 of Mr. Taylor's presentation, coverage, are there any questions on "coverage"? If not, are there any questions on "contributions for current service"—and I think it might be convenient to take contributions for current service and contributions for prior pensionable service together. Are there any questions?

Mr. BALCOM: Being new here I shall ask why it is 6 per cent for male and 5 per cent for female?