

to be seen. Having regard to the recent eulogy of Viscount Bennett by the honourable senator from Blaine Lake (Hon. Mr. Horner) and the honourable senator from Winnipeg (Hon. Mr. Haig) and to the fact that he is the only Canadian Prime Minister who came from my province of New Brunswick, I think it is high time that his portrait was hung in this building.

CUSTOMS TARIFF

BILL TO AMEND—INSISTENCE UPON SENATE AMENDMENT

The Senate resumed from yesterday the adjourned debate on the motion of Hon. Mr. Aseltine that the Senate do not insist upon its amendment to Bill C-72, to amend the Customs Tariff, to which the House of Commons has disagreed, and that a message be sent to the House of Commons accordingly.

Hon. Walter M. Aseltine: Honourable senators, the honourable senator from Hanover (Hon. Mr. Brunt) is not present. He adjourned the debate yesterday in order to make it possible for me to ask honourable members of the Senate today for leave to make a brief statement in connection with the remarks made yesterday by the honourable Leader of the Opposition [Hon. Mr. Macdonald, (Brantford)]. If I have that privilege I would like to make the statement now.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald (Brantford): Agreed.

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: Honourable senators, no conference is possible at this stage. My motion before the house is that the Senate do not insist upon its amendment. This motion must first be disposed of, and the appropriate message sent to the other place.

Accordingly, I hope that my motion will be adopted, since this is the proper course under the circumstances, considering the type of bill we are dealing with. This, of course, would dispose of the matter.

However, should the amendment be insisted upon, the holding of a conference will depend on whether or not the other place asks for one. I have looked at the procedure prescribed in cases of this kind, and I find that that is the way in which it has always been done in the past.

Accordingly, honourable senators, my motion must now be disposed of.

I might add that, as I understand the situation at the present time, there is no hope of any compromise.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, it is moved by the Honourable Senator Aseltine, seconded by the Honourable Senator Choquette, that the Senate do not insist upon

its amendment to Bill C-72, to amend the Customs Tariff, to which the House of Commons has disagreed, and that a message be sent to the House of Commons accordingly. Is it your pleasure, honourable senators, to adopt the motion?

Those in favour of the motion will please say "Content".

Some Hon. Senators: Content.

The Hon. the Speaker: Those opposed will please say "Non-content".

Some Hon. Senators: Non-content.

The Hon. the Speaker: In my opinion, the "Non-contents" have it.

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: May we have a recorded vote?

The Hon. the Speaker: Call in the senators.

Motion of Hon. Mr. Aseltine negated on the following division:

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Hon. Mr. Macdonald (Brantford): May I be permitted to say to the Leader of the Government (Hon. Mr. Aseltine) that yesterday I suggested that a conference be held. He said that, according to the rules, it could not be done. Probably it can be done now. We on this side are prepared to have a conference. If this bill is not carried, it will not be our responsibility; it is the Government that will be defeating its own bill.