

The Hon. the SPEAKER: There is nothing yet before the Chair. The second reading has not been moved.

Some Hon. SENATORS: Stand.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: Is there anything before the Chair?

Hon. Mr. MARSHALL: No. Stand.

DIVORCE BILLS

FIRST READINGS

Hon. Mr. ROBINSON, Chairman of the Committee on Divorce, presented the following Bills, which were severally read the first time:

Bill A2, an Act for the relief of Stella Kathleen Marguerite Winnall Barwick.

Bill B2, an Act for the relief of Joyce Elizabeth Blackburn Gordon.

Bill C2, an Act for the relief of Kate Elizabeth Laidlaw McNiven.

Bill D2, an Act for the relief of Margaret Livingstone Turnbull Woodard.

Bill E2, an Act for the relief of Dorothy Sunsheine Steirman Cooke.

Bill F2, an Act for the relief of Doris Golt Rosner.

Bill G2, an Act for the relief of Anna Pohopoluck Yacobchak.

Bill H2, an Act for the relief of Myer Levine.

Bill I2, an Act for the relief of George Sutherland Cameron, junior.

Bill J2, an Act for the relief of Fred Catlow.

PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE BILL

MOTION FOR SECOND READING

Hon. Mr. KING: Honourable senators, I should like to return to the order which we were discussing a few moments ago, for the second reading of the Prairie Farm Assistance Bill. My honourable friend from Parkdale (Hon. Mr. Murdock) is quite right in saying that this Bill is based on one which has not yet been received in the Senate. Nevertheless, this Bill is properly before the House. It was introduced last night, and it is quite proper that it should now come before us for second reading, though I do not wish to press it if there is any objection. True, the price increase provided for in the other Bill has made this amending Bill necessary, and I think the honourable senator is quite right in saying that the other Bill should also be before the House.

Hon. Mr. MURDOCK: This Bill is not on the file.

Hon. Mr. KING: I do not know. The Bill came over last night and got first reading. It should be on our file to-day. The order is

on the Order Paper, but, as I say, I have no desire to urge for the second reading to be given now. We can let it stand.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: No Bill on the file?

Hon. Mr. KING: If there is any exception taken to the second reading, we will let the order stand.

Hon. Mr. MURDOCK: There has been exception. I take very strong exception to it.

Hon. Mr. KING: The honourable gentleman insists?

Hon. Mr. MURDOCK: Yes.

Hon. Mr. KING: The Bill could receive second reading now, but I will not press it.

Hon. Mr. MacARTHUR: What is the number of the Bill?

Hon. Mr. KING: Bill No. 14.

Hon. Mr. MURDOCK: It is not on the file.

Hon. Mr. MARSHALL: The other Bill is coming. Is it not in order to move the second reading of this Bill?

An Hon. SENATOR: Yes.

Hon. Mr. MARSHALL: Then I so move.

The Hon. the SPEAKER: It is moved by Hon. Senator Marshall, seconded by Hon. Senator Stevenson, that Bill 14, an Act to amend the Prairie Farm Assistance Act, 1939, be now read a second time.

Hon. Mr. MURDOCK: Honourable senators—

Hon. Mr. KING: Just a moment, please. The statement that the Bill is not on our files has been confirmed; so the Bill is not properly before us.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: It is on my file.

Hon. Mr. KING: I am advised by the pages that it has not been distributed. If it had been distributed it could be proceeded with.

Hon. Mr. HAIG: It is not on the file.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: Both languages being official, and the French version being on my file, I may proceed.

Hon. B. F. SMITH: It is not on my file either.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: This Bill is very simple. There is an Act of Parliament which authorizes the Government to pay to farmers so much an acre, provided the yield is below twelve bushels to the acre. Under the Act