

Mr. Anderson called, presented a Brief on the said Bill, was questioned thereon and retired.

Mr. Hewitt-White called, presented a Brief on the said Bill and was questioned thereon.

At 10.10 o'clock p.m., the examination of Mr. Hewitt-White still continuing, the Committee adjourned to meet again at 11.30 o'clock a.m., Thursday, April 23, 1953.

THURSDAY, April 23, 1953.

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce met at 11.30 a.m. this day. Mr. Cleaver, Chairman, presided.

*Members present:* Messrs. Argue, Ashbourne, Bennett, Brooks, Cameron, Carroll, Dumas, Fraser, Fulford, Gour (*Russell*), Hellyer, Helme, Henry, Hunter, Jeffery, Leduc, Lesage, Macdonnell (*Greenwood*), McCusker, McLraith, Quelch, Richard (*Ottawa East*), Riley, Stewart (*Winnipeg North*).

*In attendance:* Mr. K. W. Taylor, Deputy Minister; Mr. G. L. Gullock and Mr. A. Gagnon, of the Superannuation Branch; Mr. D. H. W. Henry, Solicitor to the Treasury, and Mr. H. D. Clark, an officer of the Department, all of the Department of Finance; Mr. D. S. Thorson, of the Department of Justice; Mr. W. Hewitt-White, Secretary, and Mr. A. B. Hamilton, President, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs Employees' National Association; Mr. Victor Johnston, President, and Mr. W. M. Hall, of the Civil Service Association of Ottawa; Brigadier J. L. Melville, Chairman, of the Canadian Pension Commission; Mr. S. H. Radford; and Mr. A. Jamieson, of the Department of Veterans Affairs, formerly on the Staff of the Soldier Settlement Board.

The Committee resumed consideration of Bill No. 334, An Act to Provide for the Superannuation of Persons Employed in the Public Service of Canada.

The examination of Mr. Hewitt-White was continued, during the course of which Mr. Radford was called, presented a statement, questioned and retired.

Mr. Hewitt-White was retired.

Brigadier Melville called, made a statement on the said Bill, was questioned thereon and retired. (NOTE: The witness filed a photostatic copy of a letter in connection with evidence given, and it is appended hereto as Appendix "B".)

Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Johnston were severally called, presented briefs on the said Bill, questioned thereon and retired.

At 12.55 o'clock p.m. the Committee adjourned to meet again at 3.30 o'clock p.m. this day.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The Committee resumed at 3.30 o'clock. Mr. Cleaver, Chairman, presided.

*Members present:* Messrs. Ashbourne, Bennett, Brooks, Cameron, Cannon, Dumas, Fraser, Fulford, Gingras, Gour (*Russell*), Harkness, Hellyer, Henry, Jeffery, Leduc, Lesage, Macdonnell (*Greenwood*), Maltais, McCusker, McLraith, Quelch, Richard (*Ottawa East*), Riley, Welbourn.

*In attendance:* Deputy Minister and officials of the Department of Finance.