

Senator SMITH (*Queens-Shelburne*): I do not understand this. My copy of the bill says "shall take place simultaneously on the second day of January, 1965." If that date is extended, where are we?

The CHAIRMAN: This is a schedule to the bill, which is a Memorandum of Understanding which was made on the 17th October, 1963, and contained that clause 26. All that the witness is pointing out is that, by subsequent agreement between the parties, they have extended the date which they agreed upon in 1963.

Senator LAMBERT: I think it was understood at the time that it involved a readjustment to the values on the exchange of land between the railways and the corporation. I think that is the reason.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. Do you understand that, Senator Smith?

Senator LAMBERT: Any lawyer will understand it.

Senator CROLL: One has to be a lawyer to understand it.

Mr. FORTIER: In addition to the amendments which are now incorporated in Bill S-3, there is a further amendment—as Mr. Magee pointed out in his letter to the chairman which was read a few minutes ago—which if approved by the committee would finally dispose of the objections of the Canadian Trucking Associations to this bill.

This further amendment is in paragraph (g) of clause 10. It would replace the first three lines of paragraph (g) by these:

Furnish for hire in and about the Cities of Ottawa and Hull such adequate and suitable service as is customary or usual for the pick-up, delivery and transfer of goods by means of trucks.

Senator CROLL: Would he read it?

The CHAIRMAN: Perhaps we will come to that when we consider the bill section by section. I gather that this change has been agreed upon by all parties interested. We can discuss it when we come to that section.

Mr. FORTIER: The reason for this amendment, as pointed out by the Canadian Trucking Associations, was in order to eliminate any ambiguity as to the meaning and intent of paragraph (g). The railways have agreed to this change. They have pointed out that the reworded paragraph (g) will make the point abundantly clear, that the service, pick-up and delivery, will include service in the City of Hull. Those are the amendments, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Thank you. I think the committee understands the amendments that are now in this bill, as compared with the bill originally presented to us last year. I do not know how far the committee wishes to go in covering the ground we went over last year. You remember that we had General Clark give a general picture of the situation. Perhaps the committee would wish to ask General Clark some questions again. It would be interesting if he would tell us what progress has been made with this whole development since last year.

Senator ROEBUCK: Mr. Chairman, I raised some questions with regard to the unions when the bill was before the Senate.

The CHAIRMAN: I was going to suggest that after we hear the proponents of the bill, and a general exposition of the scheme, we would call upon the unions. They have only one matter to discuss, and they have submitted a memorandum to us and for that reason I thought we should hear the proponents first of all and then hear the unions, if that is agreeable to the committee.

Senator ROEBUCK: All right.

The CHAIRMAN: General Clark. General Clark is known, I think, to all of us from last year.