

Crouse, Drysdale, Fisher, Horner (*Acadia*), Howe, Kennedy, Lessard, McFarlane, McPhillips, Pascoe, Payne, Pigeon, Pitman, Rapp, Simpson, Rynard, Smith (*Lincoln*), Smith (*Simcoe North*), Tucker—(26).

In attendance: The Honourable Léon Balcer, Minister of Transport;

From the Department of Transport: Mr. G. A. Scott, Assistant Deputy Minister; Mr. Jacques Fortier, Counsel; and Mr. W. A. Thornton, Executive Assistant, Railways. *From the Canadian National Railways:* Messrs. Donald F. Purves, Chief of Development, and Graham Macdougall, Q.C., General Solicitor.

On motion of Mr. McFarlane, seconded by Mr. Simpson,

Resolved,—That the Committee print from day to day 750 copies in English, and 250 copies in French of its Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of Bill C-48, An Act to amend an Act respecting the Construction of a line of railway by Canadian National Railway Company from Optic Lake to Chisel Lake, and the Purchase by Canadian National Railway Company from The International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited, of a line of railway from Sipiwesk to a point on Burntwood River near Mystery Lake, all in the Province of Manitoba.

On clause 1

On the invitation of the Chairman, the Minister of Transport made a brief statement on the purpose of the Bill, and then introduced the officials of the Canadian National Railways and the officials from the Department of Transport.

Mr. Balcer was questioned, assisted by Mr. Purves.

Clause 1 and the Title were severally carried; the Bill was adopted without amendment.

Ordered,—That Bill C-48 be reported to the House without amendment.

The Committee then proceeded to the consideration of Bill C-63, An Act respecting the Construction of a line of railway in the Province of Alberta by Canadian National Railway Company from Whitecourt, Alberta, in a westerly direction for a distance of approximately 23.2 miles to the property of Pan American Petroleum Corporation.

The Minister of Transport explained the purpose of the Bill and was questioned thereon, assisted by Messrs. Purves and Macdougall.

Clauses 1 to 9, the Schedule and the Title were severally carried; the Bill was carried without amendment.

Ordered,—That Bill C-63 be reported to the House without amendment.

At 10.30 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

M. Slack,
Clerk of the Committee.