

examining board, and neither will it override those powers.

Hon. Mr. Vien: The question that was asked of the honourable senator is: Will the dentist who receives a diploma or certificate from this college be empowered to practise dentistry in any province of Canada?

Hon. Mr. Smith (Queens-Shelburne): My understanding is that it has nothing whatsoever to do with the right of a dentist to practise in any particular province. A fellowship in the proposed Royal College of Dentists will simply entitle one who has passed the examination, or who has otherwise been made a Fellow of the college, the right to use after his name the designation "Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada." The public will be advised that this particular person has had sufficient special training in order to entitle him to become a Fellow, and therefore perhaps will feel that they are in the best hands that they can find when they require the attention of a specialist. But it has nothing whatsoever to do with the right of any dentist, fellow, or otherwise to practise any form or any specialty of dentistry in any province.

Hon. Donald Cameron: Honourable senators, is it not true that this is simply a recognition of special qualifications and training, that it is an honour to be elected to this college, rather than having anything to do with a person's legal qualifications or right to practice?

Hon. Mr. Choquette: As a member of the bar is designated a Queen's Counsel.

Hon. Mr. Smith (Queens-Shelburne): Yes. A lawyer does not have to write an examination to become a Queen's Counsel. I have

never heard of an examination to become a Q.C.

Hon. Mr. Pouliot: If it is purely an honorary matter, I would suggest that our esteemed colleague Senator Smith, who has just spoken, and Senator Phillips of Prince Edward Island, should be the first two Fellows of the Royal College.

Hon. Thomas Vien: Honourable senators, I do not intend to oppose this bill, but I have not had sufficient time to peruse it and consider all the implications which might arise from it. Therefore, I would move the adjournment of the debate until tomorrow, in order to look a little more closely at the measure and to get in touch with those who are more familiar with this subject than I am. I am not at the moment opposed to the bill, and I do not expect that I will have any objection to it. I intend to take it up tomorrow, so as not to delay the passage of second reading.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Vien, debate adjourned.

HON. G. PERCIVAL BURCHILL

BIRTHDAY FELICITATIONS

Hon. Thomas Vien: Honourable senators, I would like to invite your applause to an honourable senator who has been of great advantage to this Senate and to Parliament. Today we are celebrating the 75th birthday of honourable Senator Burchill, and I would ask you to join me in extending to him most sincere congratulations and good wishes on this occasion.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 3 p.m.