

AGREEMENT BETWEEN CANADIAN NORTHERN  
ONTARIO RAILWAY COMPANY AND THE  
CAMPBELLFORD, LAKE ONTARIO AND  
WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

Hon. R. J. MANION (Minister of Railways) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 24, to ratify and confirm an agreement between the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Company and the Campbellford, Lake Ontario and Western Railway Company.

He said: With respect to this bill, perhaps I might say a word that I omitted in regard to the preceding one, namely, that these ratifications are made imperative by the Railway Act, which calls for any joint agreement for a stated period beyond 21 years being ratified by this parliament. It dates back to 1912.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

USE OF CANADIAN PACIFIC TRACKS AND PREMISES  
AT QUEBEC

Hon. R. J. MANION (Minister of Railways) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 25, to ratify and confirm an agreement respecting the joint use by His Majesty and the commissioners of the Transcontinental railway of certain tracks and premises of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company at Quebec.

Mr. POWER: Is this a continuation of the agreement of 1912, or are there any changes?

Mr. MANION: This is an agreement of 1915, and so far as I know there are no changes in its terms. This merely extends the time.

Mr. POWER: Is it for 99 years?

Mr. MANION: Yes. The last bill was for 999 years and that should be long enough.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): The C.C.F. will be in power.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

FRUIT ACT AMENDMENT

Hon. ROBERT WEIR (Minister of Agriculture) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 26, respecting fruit.

He said: This bill is a redraft of the 1901 Fruit Act, together with amendments. In addition there are some changes, of which perhaps three of the most important are: that brokers should be bonded; a change in the grading of fruit, making it impossible to offer fruit for sale not fit for consumption; and, third, the addition of honey in grading in this bill. The 1901 Fruit Act was

asked for by producers in the trade, and each regulation and amendment has been submitted to the producers from that time until this. This bill has been before practically all the fruit conventions in Canada during the past year and has been endorsed by them, and any regulations based on it will also be submitted to the trade.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

JORDAN MEMORIAL SANATORIUM

Mr. MICHAUD:

1. Are there any persons at present at Jordan memorial sanatorium, The Glades, New Brunswick, who are receiving pensions from the Dominion government as a result of military service?

2. If so, what are the names and amount of pension received by each?

Mr. MacLAREN:

1. Yes.

2. H. K. Bartsch, \$100 per month; M. T. Blacklock, \$110.50 per month; L. Wheaton, \$16 per month; Mrs. M. C. Savoie, \$60 per month; all members of the staff of the institution.

In addition to the above mentioned there is a non-pensioner, a recipient of war veterans' allowance, who is a patient at the institution, on whose behalf \$20 per month is being paid by the War Veterans' allowance committee, \$15 of which is applied to his maintenance and \$5 is paid him for comforts.

\*ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Mr. SEGUIN:

1. Has the government cabled to London in connection with the matter of precedences at the opening of the present session of parliament?

2. If so, what is the text of this cablegram and the text of the answer received?

Mr. CAHAN: I wish to answer this question orally.

As I have already stated in this house, His Majesty the King, in the exercise of his prerogative right to confer rank or place upon subjects of His Majesty resident in Canada, is advised by His Majesty's government in Canada. This government has not given any advice to nor sought any advice from London in respect to any change in the table of precedence bearing date December 3, 1923, which was established on the advice of the Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, then Prime Minister.