regard, I would refer the honourable Member to page 528 of May's seventeenth edition where in part it is stated: "...nor is it permissible to propose merely the addition of words to the question, that the bill be now read a second time, as such words must, by implication, attach conditions to the second reading."

In effect, if I may so suggest, that is what the honourable Member in reality is seeking to accomplish. I hesitate to reach the conclusion that the amendment should not be put because of the importance of the matter and because of the well known interest of the honourable Member in the subject of pensions and because the amendment might have given the House an opportunity to discuss the situation which the honourable Member wanted to impose in the debate which is now before the House.

However, I do feel there are some procedural difficulties which the Chair cannot overlook and because of these procedural and technical difficulties I do not think I should put the honourable Member's amendment at this time.

[At 4.00 o'clock p.m., Private Members' Business was called pursuant to Standing Order 15(4)]

(Public Bills)

Order numbered one was allowed to stand at the request of the government.

By unanimous consent, the Order for second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs of Bill C-13, An Act to amend the Statistics Act, was discharged and the said bill withdrawn.

Orders numbered three, four, and five were allowed to stand at the request of the government.

The Order being read for the second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration of Bill C-20, An Act to amend the Canada Labour (Standards) Code (Notice and Payment to Employees in case of Discharge or Lay-off);

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre), seconded by Mr. Skoberg, moved,—That the said bill be now read

a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration.

And debate arising thereon:

The hour for Private Members' Business expired.

Changes in Committee Membership

Notice having been filed with the Clerk of the House pursuant to Standing Order 65(4)(b), membership of Committees was amended as follows:

Messrs. Legault, Crossman and Thomas (Maisonneuve-Rosemont) for Messrs. Sulatycky, Deakon and Guay (St. Boniface) on the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

Messrs. Sulatycky, Deakon and Guay (St. Boniface) for Messrs. Legault, Crossman and Thomas (Maisonneuve-Rosemont) on the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

Returns and Reports Deposited with the Clerk of the House

The following papers having been deposited with the Clerk of the House were laid upon the Table pursuant to Standing Order 41(1), namely:

By Mr. Jamieson, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—Order in Council, P.C. 1970-2014, dated November 17, 1970, made under section 5 of the Atlantic Region Freight Assistance Act, varying a reduction in tariffs under the Maritime Freight Rates Act, pursuant to section 5(3), chapter 52, Statutes of Canada 1968-69. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 283-1/283.

By Mr. Olson, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, by Command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1970, pursuant to section 6 of the Department of Agriculture Act, chapter 66, R.S.C., 1952. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 283-1/6.

At 5.00 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the House until Monday at 2.00 o'clock p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 2(1).