MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, June 21, 1951.

The Special Committee on Veterans Affairs met at 4 o'clock p.m., the Chairman, Mr. L. A. Mutch, presiding.

Members present: Messrs. Brooks, Carter, Corry, Croll, Dickey, George, Goode, Green, Harkness, Henderson, Herridge, Larson, Lennard, McWilliam, Mutch, Pearkes, Quelch, Richard (Gloucester), Roberge, Stewart (Yorkton), Thomas, Weaver.

In attendance: Mr. E. L. M. Burns, Deputy Minister, Mr. W. G. Gunn, K.C., Director, Legal Division, and Mr. C. F. Black, Superintendent of Veterans Insurance, Department of Veterans Affairs; Mr. T. D. Anderson, General Secretary, Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League.

Consideration of Bill No. 352, An Act to amend The Veterans Insurance Act, was resumed.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, it was agreed that Clause 6 be deleted.

The title was adopted.

The Bill, as amended, was adopted and the Chairman ordered to report it to the House.

The Committee proceeded to consideration of Bill No. 389, An Act to amend The Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act.

Mr. Black was called and questioned.

Clauses 1 and 2 were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Croll, it was agreed that Clause 3 be amended by the deletion of the words fall into and become part of the estate of the insured where they appear in the proposed amendment to subsection five of section four and to subsection two of section five of the Act, and the substitution therefor of the words be paid, as it falls due or otherwise as the Minister may determine, to the estate of the insured.

On motion of Mr. Green, it was agreed that Clause 3 be further amended by deleting the proposed subsection four of section nine of the Act and substituting therefor the following:

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deemed to be totally and permanently disabled.

Clause 3, as amended; clauses 4 to 15, inclusive, and the title were adopted.

The Bill, as amended, was adopted, and the Chairman ordered to report it to the House.

The witnesses retired.

At 4.55 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

A. L. BURGESS, Clerk of the Committee.