

Telesat Canada Act

the Canadian Transport Commission's efforts to regulate Bell Canada will not need to be brought before this house later.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Is the house ready for the question?

Some hon. Members: Question.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): All those in favour will please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): Call in the members. Order, please. As was stated before, the vote is deferred until after the study of the other amendment in the name of the hon. member for Waterloo (Mr. Saltsman).

Some hon. Members: No, no.

Mr. Saltsman: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker. I thought there was agreement the two motions would be combined into one motion.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): His Honour is deferring it until after the amendment of the hon. member for Palliser (Mr. Schumacher).

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): If the house gives unanimous consent to take the vote right now, that can be done, although I have the authority to defer the vote until after the discussion of the other amendment. Is it agreed we take the vote now?

Some hon. Members: Later.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): The statement made last night was as follows: The Acting Speaker suggested that if the foregoing motion were negatived, the other proposed motion would become a nullity. He suggested that if a recorded division were demanded on the foregoing motion, it could

be deferred until the next proposed motion is considered at which time a decision could be made with respect to the disposition of the other motion standing in the name of the hon. member for Waterloo.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Béchard): It being one o'clock this sitting stands suspended until 2 p.m.

At one o'clock the house took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The house resumed at 2 p.m.

Mr. Stan Schumacher (Palliser) moved:

That Bill C-184, an Act to establish a Canadian corporation for telecommunication by satellite, be amended by deleting in subclause 2 of clause 12, all the words following "under subsection (3)" appearing on lines 19 to 22 on page 9.

He said: Mr. Speaker, the effect of this amendment is to free the Governor in Council in order that he may be able to appoint anybody as his representative on the board of directors of Telesat Canada. This amendment was proposed at the committee stage of the bill and received the same rather stiffnecked treatment from the minister as all other amendments proposed by private members. This attitude on the part of the minister even extended to textual improvement on a matter not relating to substance with regard to an amendment proposed by the hon. member for Halifax-East Hants (Mr. McCleave), and this experience leads me to believe that my amendment will not have much chance of passing.

This amendment provides us with an opportunity to raise a certain point of view with respect to the future development of government, quasi-government and mixed corporations. There is an apparent trend toward having the public service built into anything with which the government is concerned. There was evidence of this in Bill S-29, which received approval yesterday, when the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (Mr. Chrétien) said that not more than three members of the committee to be established under that bill would be members of the public service. At least there was no strict requirement in that legislation that there be any members of the public service on the