

their great virtues and maybe some of their inadvertent lapses. All I can say is that the Senate has not changed them entirely, and certainly not in the case of Senator Phillips.

Hon. Joyce Fairbairn: Honourable senators, I believe there has been a glaring omission. There is another one among us who was first elected at that time as well, and he is a very loyal Albertan of whom we in Alberta are very proud, Senator Bud Olson.

Some Hon. Senators: Hear, hear!

Hon. Joseph-Philippe Guay: Honourable senators, we are proud of all the members of this chamber, whether they are celebrating a birthday, an anniversary or the number of years they have contributed to the House of Commons and the Senate. However, I think we would be remiss today if we did not mention the fact that Senator Denis was first elected in 1935, and that he has been in the Senate since 1963.

Senator Argue: The Dean of Canada.

Senator Murray: Honourable senators, so strong is historical myth that I had come to believe that only Progressive Conservatives were elected in that first Diefenbaker Parliament. As it happens, it was a minority government that Mr. Diefenbaker formed, and it was not until the next year, 1958, that he swept the west.

Senator Hastings: Whipped us all.

Senator Murray: I thank Senator Fairbairn for drawing to our attention the fact that Senator Bud Olson was elected, along with a number of other members of the Social Credit Party from western Canada, in that election in 1957. He had a brief sabbatical from Parliament, I believe. He was defeated in 1958. He returned in 1962, and he remained in the House of Commons until 1972. He has had a very remarkable career. He made himself something of an expert on the rules in the House of Commons, and has made himself an expert on just about everything else since he came to the Senate.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear!

Senator Murray: I wish him much happiness and continued service.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT ENTITLEMENT ADJUSTMENTS (PENSION PAYMENTS) BILL

FIRST READING

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-50, respecting the treatment of pension payments in determining certain unemployment insurance benefit entitlements and to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

[Senator MacEachen.]

Hon. Orville H. Phillips: Honourable senators, with leave, I move that Bill C-50 be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading later this day.

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition): Honourable senators, I have spoken to Senator Phillips about how we might deal with this bill. I have no objection to its being dealt with later this day, but, if we are to have a vote, as anticipated, on the motion to establish a Committee of the Whole on the Meech Lake accord, leave must be conditional on that taking place before the debate on Bill C-50 starts.

Senator Phillips: In an effort to meet the coercion being exercised by Senator Frith, might I suggest to him that we have the vote in the Maple Leaf Lounge at the airport?

Senator Frith: Why don't you have your vote there and we will have ours here?

Senator MacEachen: Well spoken.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, is leave granted?

Senator Frith: On that condition. I believe that in the Orders of the Day, Bill C-50 appears before the vote on the establishment of a Committee of the Whole because of the precedence given to bills. However, in this case, since leave is necessary, the leave would be conditional on its coming up after the vote on the order dealing with Committee of the Whole.

The bill can stay where it is on the Orders of the Day, but, when it is called, I reserve the right to say that I do not give leave to proceed at that point. I would be quite happy to proceed with it immediately after the order dealing with the constitutional matter.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is that condition acceptable to Senator Phillips?

Senator Phillips: Yes.

The Hon. the Speaker: With leave of the Senate, and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(f), it is moved by the Honourable Senator Phillips, seconded by the Honourable Senator Kelly, that this bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading later this day. Is it agreed, honourable senators?

Senator Frith: Later this day, in the context I mentioned.

The Hon. the Speaker: The condition was accepted by Senator Phillips.

Is it your pleasure, honourable senators, to adopt the motion?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Motion agreed to and bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading later this day.

CANADIAN EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM BILL

FIRST READING

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-59,