

as against 62 billion? Now, I think it has already been established also within the provisions of your statement, that if United States consumers are going to get their share of this gas there will need to be a treaty of some sort entered into?—A. I never used the word treaty.

(On the division bell ringing):

Mr. SMITH: I move that we adjourn to the call of the chair.

Mr. MAYBANK: I suggest that we come back after the vote and sit here all night if need be to get this through.

The CHAIRMAN: What is the pleasure of the committee?

Mr. MURRAY: I think we should get on with the bill. We have heard everything that can be said about the bill either for it or against it and I think we should get on with the bill.

The CHAIRMAN: If that is your wish we will adjourn until after the vote is taken.

Mr. MURRAY: I move we proceed with the bill after the vote is called.

Mr. MAYBANK: It is understood that we are to come back after the vote?

The CHAIRMAN: That is right, that is the usual procedure.

Mr. MAYBANK: And be prepared to sit all night to get this through.

(The committee adjourned for a vote in the House.)

The CHAIRMAN: "As you were", gentlemen.

Mr. MAYBANK: I wish to make a motion, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. HARKNESS: When the committee adjourned—

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Maybank has the floor.

Mr. MAYBANK: I was about to make a motion.

Mr. HARKNESS: I think I had the floor and I would like to finish with these questions that I am asking Mr. Dixon.

Mr. MAYBANK: Who has the floor, Mr. Chairman; Mr. Harkness or I?

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Harkness I think has a right to complete his examination, and as soon as he has finished I will give you the floor.

*By Mr. Harkness:*

Q. Mr. Dixon, when we adjourned I was just at the point of asking you some questions in connection with the 11 billion cubic feet that you estimate you are going to provide to British Columbia as compared with 62 billion cubic feet to the United States, and you, I think, had just said that you did not know whether a treaty would be required or not to apportion this amount; but at any rate I think your evidence has been that if not a treaty an agreement of some kind would be necessary; is that not the case?—A. Is that a statement of fact or is that a question?

Q. I am asking you if that is not so, if that has not been your evidence?—A. I do not think that is exactly what I said.

Q. Well then, how would this apportionment as between the two areas be arrived at if it was not through a treaty or an agreement?—A. I do not know how it could be arrived at unless there was an agreement. I did not say treaty.

Q. I asked you if it would not be either through a treaty or an agreement and you said you did not know, that it would be either that of an agreement of some kind.—A. I agree that there must be an agreement beforehand that B.C. will get a certain amount of gas which will be calculated to supply all of their present and prospective needs and the rest of the capacity of the line will be divided to the users in the United States.

Q. Well, let us assume that there might be an increase in the demand for gas in British Columbia, would there not have to be provision in such an agree-