

The only reason June 16 is in the motion is that that was the day we drafted the amendment. It could just as well be October 1 or whatever. This does nothing more than maintain what is in the Bill, Schedule II, namely the base rate scale. Surely that is not beyond the scope of the Bill. Surely it is worthy of consideration by the House and of a political decision being taken by a vote in the House of Commons.

Motion No. 70 is in the same category. It reads:

—"tariff" means the tariffs of rates and conditions of carriage for the movement of grain in effect on the sixteenth day of June, 1983.

That is an amendment to Clause 34. The other one is an amendment to Clause 2.

Motion No. 70 would be consequential to Motion No. 19. But the argument still applies in both cases that this does nothing more than maintain a tariff that is already in Schedule II of the Bill. Surely you will want to spend the long weekend considering that, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Malone: It would take a long weekend to comprehend it.

Mr. Benjamin: Let us go to Motions Nos. 22 and 23, which the Chair also in a preliminary way feels are beyond the scope of the Bill. We do not have to argue whether or not they go beyond the Royal Recommendation. Obviously the Chair does not feel they do. Therefore, it is the scope of the Bill.

The Bill is amending the Crow's Nest Pass Act of 1897 and all the agreements pursuant thereto. Part of the Crow's Nest Pass Act and all agreements pursuant thereto relate to the things provided to by way of grants, by way of lands or mineral rights and cash to Canadian Pacific Railway. Since the Bill purports to amend the Crow's Nest Pass Act of 1897

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and all agreements pursuant thereto, surely it is not beyond the scope of the Bill to place in it any or all of the various conditions of the Crow's Nest Pass Act of 1897 and any agreements pursuant thereto.

If you are going to amend an Act then anything that is in that Act is not beyond the scope of this Bill because this Bill says we are amending that Act. I want to submit to the Chair that what we request in Motions Nos. 22 and 23 is nothing more than a further amendment to the Crow's Nest Pass Act of 1897 and agreements pursuant thereto and does not go beyond the scope of the Bill.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): Order, please. First I should begin by indicating that the Hon. Member for Regina West has wished upon me on Thanksgiving weekend an enormous amount of work. It has been brought to my attention that I have a habit on Friday afternoon of wishing Hon. Members a pleasant weekend. I would want to do that more than ever because it is Thanksgiving weekend, except of course with respect to the Hon. Member for Regina West. To him I extend not only my best wishes for Thanksgiving weekend but I would suggest a very extensive study of the Standing Orders of the House of Commons, in particular Standing Order 79(10). He will find therein that it is the responsibility of the Chair to encourage Hon. Members to bring their points of order in a brief and very direct manner to the attention of the House.

With that, the House stands adjourned until Tuesday morning at eleven o'clock. Have a good weekend.

At 5.02 p.m. the House adjourned, without question put, pursuant to Standing Order.