

next few months, but I should like to repeat, by way of conclusion, that the best way to restore the prosperity that we enjoyed prior to last year is to increase the purchasing power of our people.

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON: Honourable senators, as we may be able to dispense with the committee stage, I feel I should call the attention of this House now to the fact that in another place the Bill has been slightly modified. The revised printed copy is not in the hands of honourable members. A few amendments have been made in the tariff schedules. The principal change is in the last clause of the Bill, which read originally as follows:

Provided that this Act shall not apply to goods imported but not entered or to goods bona fide purchased and actually in transit to Canada on or before the sixteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in respect of which goods the Minister may demand proof satisfactory to himself that the same were purchased and shipped on or before that date.

That has been amended to read:

Provided, that any such enactment shall not apply to goods bona fide purchased and imported, but not entered, on or before the sixteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, nor to goods imported and in warehouse on or before that date provided such goods are taken out of warehouse on or before the thirtieth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, nor to goods imported, under regulations prescribed by the Minister, on or before the thirtieth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, when such goods have been bona fide contracted for and purchased in the country of export prior to the aforesaid sixteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirty.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON moved the third reading of the Bill.

Hon. C. MacARTHUR: Honourable senators, before this motion is put, I should like to ask the honourable the Minister of Labour whether it is the intention to mail to every honourable member of this House a copy of the schedule, with the old rates of duty shown opposite each item, so that it will be possible to make comparisons. I believe this was promised to members in another place a week ago, but many honourable members of this House have not received such a list. If such information were furnished us we could intelligently compare the new rates with the old

and would be better able to judge of the extent of the changes.

Hon. Mr. ROBERTSON: I shall endeavour to have the information sent to my honourable friend.

Hon. Mr. FORKE: To all of us?

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: Yes, to all.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT

The Hon. the SPEAKER informed the Senate that he had received a communication from the Secretary to the Governor General, acquainting him that His Excellency the Governor General would proceed to the Senate Chamber at 4.30 p.m. for the purpose of proroguing the present session of Parliament.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

His Excellency the Governor General having come and being seated on the Throne:

The Hon. the SPEAKER commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that: "It is His Excellency the Governor General's pleasure they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber."

Who being come with their Speaker:

The following Bills were assented to, in His Majesty's name, by His Excellency the Governor General:

An Act to amend the Customs Act.
An Act to amend the Customs Tariff.
An Act for the granting of aid for the Relief of Unemployment.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH

After which His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to close the first Session of the Seventeenth Parliament of the Dominion of Canada with the following Speech:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the prompt consideration which you have given to the measures submitted to you, and which are deemed necessary for the relief of unemployment in the Dominion. It is my fervent hope and confident belief that these measures will prove effective in accomplishing the purposes for which they have been enacted.

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

In relieving you from the duties to which you were summoned, I commend to the Divine protection the people of this Dominion.