

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, April 17, 1959.

The Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines met at 9.15 a.m. this day. The Vice-Chairman, Mr. Howe, presided.

*Members present:* Messrs. Allmark, Badanai, Baldwin, Bell (*St. John-Albert*), Browne (*Vancouver-Kingsway*), Chevrier, Chown, Creaghan, Crouse, Drysdale, Horner (*Acadia*), Horner (*Jasper-Edson*), Howe, Kennedy, McPhillips, Monteith (*Verdun*), Pascoe, Payne, Phillips, Smallwood, Smith (*Calgary South*) Tassé and Tucker. (23)

*In attendance:* Messrs. R. Kerr, Chief Commissioner, Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada; Mr. L. J. Knowles, Commissioner; A. S. Kirk, Director, Traffic Branch, G. A. Scott, Director, Economics Policy Branch, Department of Transport; G. Blair, Counsel for Great Western Coal Co. Ltd., and Manitoba and Saskatchewan Coal Co. Ltd.; J. Guest, representative of the Government of British Columbia; H. A. Mann, Executive Manager, The Maritimes Transportation Commission; H. J. Darling, Chief, Economics Division, Department of Transport; V. Stechishin, Manager, Manitoba Transportation Commission; A. Mauro, representing the Government of the Province of Manitoba; and J. Magee, Executive Secretary, Canadian Trucking Associations Inc.

The Vice-Chairman observed the presence of quorum and called Mr. Magee who answered a question asked at a previous meeting.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and adopted.

On Clause 3 Mr. Chevrier moved, seconded Mr. Badanai.

That the words "increased by 17 per cent" in lines 18 and 19 be deleted.

The motion was negatived—yeas, 2; nays, 12.

Following further questioning of Mr. Knowles, Mr. Chevrier, moved, seconded by Mr. Badanai,

That the following words be added to line 23 of Section 2 of Clause 3:

"provided the reduction thereby effected shall not be less than 7 per cent."

The motion was negatived—yeas, 2; nays, 16.

It was agreed to stand Clause 3 of the Bill until a representative of the Department of Transport could be called to explain the effect of Section 2 of Clause 3.

Clauses 4 to 7 inclusive and the Title were called and adopted.

At 9.45 a.m. the Committee recessed.

At 9.50 a.m. the Committee reverted to consideration of Clause 3, and Messrs. Scott, Knowles, Kirk and Mann were further questioned.

Clause 3 was called and carried on the understanding that the Committees Report to the House will contain the following recommendation:

"Your Committee recommends that the words 'and the traffic in respect of which' appearing in line 27 of Section 2 of Clause 3 be examined to further determine their effect on the application of the provisions of the bill."