

SENATOR WALL: Mr. Chairman, could I ask, for the purpose of clarification, how would the Government or the Governor in Council be hamstrung, so to speak, in removing a president or a vice-president if this amendment did go through and they were appointed during good behaviour, and were removable as is suggested by subsection 4? What would make the position of the Government to remove a president less effective?

The CHAIRMAN: I think it would merely make the formality for such removing a little more formidable. It would have to be done by the Governor General in Council.

SENATOR WALL: But they could still do it.

The CHAIRMAN: They could still do it, of course.

SENATOR MACDONALD: There would be no delay, and the bill would be greatly strengthened.

The CHAIRMAN: Has the committee reached the stage where we can consider and vote upon the proposed amendment? There is as yet no formal amendment before me.

SENATOR MACDONALD: State the amendment.

The CHAIRMAN: The amendment would be twofold: it would first remove the word "pleasure" from line 6 at page 9 and substitute therefor the words "good behaviour"; it would amend subsection 4 to read:

"A director ceases to be a director of the corporation upon attaining the age of 70 years, and may be removed at any time by the Governor General on Address of the Senate and House of Commons or, in the case of the President or Vice-President, by the Governor in Council."

We have not as yet added the words "for cause".

SENATOR BRUNT: Something should be determined there.

The CHAIRMAN: For cause.

SENATOR MACDONALD: I would leave out "for cause" and rely on "good behaviour".

SENATOR HAYDEN: It is implicit anyway.

SENATOR GOVIN: I move that amendment, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: I shall read the amendment again. (amendment re-read).

SENATOR KINLEY: A vote against the amendment is a vote that the clause stand?

The CHAIRMAN: That is right.

SENATOR MACDONALD: Do we understand it clearly, or should we let it stand and not take a vote now?

SENATOR BRUNT: Frankly, I think the amendment should be submitted to the minister.

SENATOR CONNOLLY (*Ottawa-West*): I don't know that that is the governing consideration. My own feeling is that I would like to think about it before voting on it.

SENATOR HAYDEN: I move the section stand.

...Section 22 stands.

The CHAIRMAN: I suggest we might make our best progress by considering the bill clause by clause, unless someone wishes to ask questions of Mr. Ouimet.

SENATOR BRUNT: Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask Mr. Ouimet or Mr. Thorson if they know of any objection to amending clause 23 which reads:

23 (1) The head office of the Corporation shall be at Ottawa.

I would like to see added the words, "or such other place designated by the Governor in Council." As I understand it by the bill the only way which the head office can be changed is by statute, is that not correct?