

Redistribution

misnomer. I believe both ridings are improperly named. Nevertheless, if that is the government's suggestion I cannot see anything we can do about it.

Mr. McIlraith: Perhaps we could reconsider and withdraw the amendment.

Mrs. Fairclough: I do not care what you do about it. There is a mile and a half of Hamilton east of Ottawa street below the brow which is certainly not south.

The Chairman: Is the amendment withdrawn?

Mr. McIlraith: Let the amendment stand. Amendment agreed to.

Mr. Lennard: Mr. Chairman, I just want to say a word on this also, because Hamilton South was carved out of the riding I represent at the moment. I regret losing a lot of loyal and faithful supporters, and I say that sincerely. I have had their support for many years. I might say in connection with the name that the suggestion was made by the hon. member for Hamilton West that this riding's name be changed to Hamilton-Barton. That was suggested because of the fact that this new riding of Hamilton South takes in the township of Barton which has been incorporated in the confines of the city of Hamilton. That township has been obliterated politically. There is a part of Saltfleet township in it that will retain the name, and I do feel that Hamilton-Barton would have been a better name to have called this riding, which is now Hamilton South. I merely repeat it is with regret on my part that I have to lose all these good people, but I realize that something had to be done in Hamilton. I think this plan is a good one. I have no complaints about that new riding, because I think it is probably the best plan that could have been arranged in the circumstances.

Paragraph as amended agreed to.

On paragraph 23—Hastings-Frontenac.

The Chairman: This is another one that was laid over.

Mr. Harris (Grey-Bruce): The only reason it stood over was this. The request was made that the constituency should be named Hastings-Peterborough-Frontenac. There is some difference of opinion on it. I personally have given some consideration to it, and this is my opinion. It is understandable that 7,600 residents of the county of Peterborough in that constituency would like to have their name perpetuated in the constituency's name. The fact is that in the

province of Ontario we do not have riding names that run into three county names. I suggest that we leave this constituency as it is, Hastings-Frontenac, and that we name what is now Peterborough West just Peterborough.

Mr. Fraser: I am very glad the minister feels that the word "West" can be cut out of Peterborough West. It is just Peterborough, no west about it. It comprises the whole city, and I am quite satisfied.

Mr. Lennard: There is one word I wish to say at this time. The county of Addington loses its identity in the set-up. It is not mentioned in any riding name in eastern Ontario.

The Chairman: Shall the paragraph carry?

Mr. Fleming: On division.

Paragraph agreed to.

On paragraph 28—Kingston.

The Chairman: Shall paragraph 28 carry?

Mr. Fleming: On division.

Paragraph agreed to.

Paragraph 31, Lanark, agreed to.

Paragraph 32, Leeds, agreed to.

Paragraph 33, Lincoln, agreed to.

Paragraph 34, London, agreed to.

On paragraph 35—Middlesex East.

Mr. White (Middlesex East): Just before you pass this paragraph I should like to say that because of what has gone on in the last two or three days, this committee should be the retribution committee instead of the redistribution committee.

Coming back to Middlesex East, all I want to say about it is that I regret a part of the township of London is now being added to Middlesex West. Nevertheless it is part of the march of events, the shift of population. Back in 1947 the township of Biddulph was taken from Middlesex East and added to Middlesex West, and now part of the township of London. I mention that for the benefit of the committee. I want to say that about 22,000 people inside the incorporated city of London are and have been a part of Middlesex East for electoral purposes. No doubt by the time 1961 rolls around London will be entitled to two members.

While I regret the possible passing of another rural seat, it looks as though before too many years will have passed this will happen. Regardless of what changes are made now or at any future time, I have enjoyed representing the people of London township