

The CHAIRMAN: The motion is that we stand this proposal as presented. We are very much in the dark as to several imponderables. Is there any further discussion?

Mr. MONTGOMERY: Mr. Chairman, is there any need to stand 63, or is there any need to stand any? We stand the amendment because—

Mr. HERRIDGE: That is what the chairman said—we are deferring consideration of the proposal.

The CHAIRMAN: Fine.

Mr. MONTGOMERY: If it is considered favourably, they can put it on to whatever section they wish.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. That is clearly understood; we are standing the proposal for further information.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Agreed.

Mr. THOMAS: Mr. Chairman, is there a motion before the committee?

The CHAIRMAN: There is a motion by Mr. Herridge—and a seconder.

Mr. THOMAS: Do we have a motion for the proposed amendment?

Mr. MONTGOMERY: It was moved by Mr. Speakman, was it not?

The CHAIRMAN: We are not moving Mr. Speakman's proposal as to the amendment; we are merely accepting a motion from Mr. Herridge that the proposal stand for further consideration at our next meeting. I believe that is the intent.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Yes.

Mr. HERRIDGE: Defer consideration of Mr. Speakman's proposal, and proceed with the remaining clauses in the bill.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes.

Mr. STEARNS: Actually, Mr. Chairman, does it not come under the same category as this presentation by the Canadian Legion, which they made in a brief today?

The CHAIRMAN: At this stage, it does, unless Mr. Speakman wishes to pursue it further. Is the motion by Mr. Herridge seconded by Mr. Fortin, agreed to?

Motion agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: That disposes of section 63, I presume? Does section 63 carry?

Section 63 agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: Section 64?

On section 64—Assistance loans to full-time farmers.

Mr. SPEAKMAN: Mr. Chairman, may I jump up again? The Legion have sort of stolen my thunder on this, but in my study of this I proposed to ask that the committee consider, or that the amendment be amended to change the amount to \$25,000, in conformity with loans which are in existence today in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec—farm loan schemes—which the new government of Manitoba has passed in its recent legislation, and which is now proposed by one of the campaigning parties in the province of Alberta.

I do not feel we should place the veterans of Canada in an inferior position to anybody else, when it comes to the lending of money for their establishment.

Mr. HERRIDGE: Mr. Chairman, as a member of this budding coalition down here, I want to support Mr. Speakman's suggestion. I do think, in view of the legislation that is in effect—and from my knowledge of a good number of veterans who have settled under this act—that the \$20,000 is not quite sufficient. I think \$25,000 is a figure more in relation to the needs of a good many veterans who would benefit from this act.