

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, October 29, 1963.

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The Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs met at 10.05 o'clock a.m. this day. The Chairman, Mr. J. M. Forgie, presided.

Members present: Messrs. Bigg, Cameron (*High Park*), Clancy, Emard, Fane, Forgie, Herridge, Kelly, Laprise, MacEwan, MacInnis, MacRae, Matheson, McIntosh, Morison, O'Keefe, Pennell, Peters, Pilon, Prittie, Pugh, Rideout, Thomas, Webb, Weichel—(25).

In attendance: Mr. C. W. Carter, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Veterans Affairs; *From the Canadian Pension Commission:* Messrs. T. D. Anderson, Chairman; L. A. Mutch, Deputy Chairman, and P. Nutter, Pension Counsel; *From the Royal Canadian Legion:* Messrs. D. M. Thompson, Dominion Secretary, and M. MacFarlane, Director of the Service Bureau; *From the Department of Veterans Affairs:* Mr. C. F. Black, Secretary of the Department.

The Committee agreed to sit on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 371 West Block.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the subject-matter of Bill C-7, An Act to amend the Pension Act (Judicial Appeal).

The Chairman called Mr. Anderson, Chairman of the Pension Commission, who made a statement dealing with the system of pension adjudication, the operations of the Pension Commission, and the subject-matter of Bill C-7.

Mr. Anderson read into the record the qualifications of the Pension Commissioners. A suggestion to identify the Commissioners was negated on division.

Mr. Anderson was questioned and then retired.

Mr. Nutter, Pension Counsel, was called and made a statement reviewing pension appeal proceedings in the United Kingdom and the United States, and reported on the technical aspects of Bill C-7.

Mr. Herridge, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the witness for his explanation of the terms of Bill C-7.

At 11.50 o'clock a.m. the Committee adjourned to meet again at 10.00 o'clock a.m. Thursday, October 31.

M. Slack,
Clerk of the Committee.