

Employment Commission

Mr. BENNETT: What are the amendments?

Mr. DUNNING: The amendments are clerical, designed in the opinion of that house to clarify the meaning of the bill. They have no bearing upon either the principle or the operation of the bill.

Mr. BENNETT: What are they?

Mr. DUNNING: The word implement is changed to fulfil wherever it appears, so that the wording in section 4 is that the government of Canada "shall only be liable to fulfil its guarantee" instead of "to implement its guarantee." Then in section 5, as the bill left the house, it provided that "the governor in council shall have full power to make all such orders." The Senate has changed that to read, "the governor in council may make."

Motion agreed to; amendments read the second time and concurred in.

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT ACT

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENTS OF ARREARS
OR INSTALMENTS SUBJECT TO BONUS
PRIVILEGES

Hon. T. A. CRERAR (Minister of Immigration and Colonization) moved the second reading of and concurrence in amendments made by the Senate to Bill No. 18, to amend the Soldier Settlement Act.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Explain.

Mr. CRERAR: A word or two will explain the amendment made in the other chamber. As the bill stood, it provided for extending to the end of March, 1938, a period of two years, the period over which the dollar for dollar bonus would be applicable. The original bill provided also that any soldier settler might anticipate his payments for one year and get the dollar for dollar bonus privilege. That has been amended in the other chamber. The words "or within one year thereafter" have been struck out, leaving the measure in this position. The dollar for dollar bonus privilege applies for two years, but we take away from any settler the opportunity to make prepayment for an additional year. I think the amendment is one we may concur in.

Motion agreed to; amendments read the second time and concurred in.

TORONTO HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

Hon. C. D. HOWE (Minister of Marine) moved the second reading of and concurrence in amendment made by the Senate to Bill No. 12, respecting the Toronto Harbour Commissioners.

[Mr. Dunning.]

Mr. BENNETT: What is the amendment?

Mr. HOWE: The amendment is purely one of draftsmanship; the intent is exactly the same but the drafting has been changed about. The solicitors for the city and the harbour board have passed on the revision and they say it will meet the requirements.

Motion agreed to; amendment read the second time and concurred in.

EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION

ADMINISTRATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF AND
PROVISION FOR NATIONAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

The house resumed from Friday, April 3, consideration in committee of Bill No. 14, respecting the establishment of a national employment commission—Mr. Rogers—Mr. Johnston (Lake Centre) in the chair.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Johnston, Lake Centre): Section 6.

Mr. BENNETT: Has section 5 passed?

Mr. GRAY: Section 5 stood on Friday night.

Mr. BENNETT: It was suggested that the section be amended for this reason: One of the preceding sections provides that the commissioners may be paid, but section 5 makes no provision for paying the secretary. Is it not intended that the secretary shall be paid? Is he to be an honorary secretary?

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Johnston, Lake Centre): An amendment was proposed to section 5. Perhaps I should read it:

(3) Notwithstanding anything in the Civil Service Act, chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, the Civil Service Superannuation Act, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, or any other act of the parliament of Canada, a civil servant who, at the time of his appointment or employment under or pursuant to the provisions of this act, is a contributor under the provisions of the Civil Service Superannuation Act, shall continue to be a contributor under the said act; his service under this act shall be counted as service in the civil service for the purposes of the Civil Service Superannuation Act, and he, his widow and children or other dependents if any, shall be eligible to receive the respective allowances or gratuities provided by the said act; and in the event of his being retired from his office or position under this act for any reason other than that of misconduct, he shall be eligible for reappointment in the civil service or to receive the same benefits under the Civil Service Superannuation Act as if his office or position had been abolished.

Mr. STEVENS: I think we should have a brief explanation of the amendment. I have not the wording of it before me, but I followed