

shortly be four Canadian film producing companies. Mr. McGarry explained that under the clause permitting temporary members to be appointed to the Board of Censors, women would be asked to undertake some of the work. At present there were some on the staff. He further explained that the clause providing for the playing of the National Anthem at the conclusion of the performance in the theatres meant each performance during a day, where a continuous show was put on.

Mr. T. R. Atkinson (North Norfolk) formally moved a resolution which has been standing on the order paper for some days in his name. It expressed the opinion that the Government should introduce legislation to meet conditions arising during the readjustment period following the war, and sought to impress upon the Government the necessity for passing remedial legislation providing for such matters as a fair wage, fair prices for products of the farm, encouraging men to return to the land, pensions for widows with dependent children, the suppression of feeble-mindedness and social diseases; and generally to make a close study of all matters relating to the health and welfare of the people.

Taxes from Mines.

In speaking to his motion, Mr. Atkinson discussed the war at considerable length. He expressed the opinion that the mines should be able to contribute large taxes so as to provide moneys for other necessary works. He was in accord with the statement that the Government should provide for the appointment of a Minister of Labor. Mr. Atkinson did not believe it was right to expect the prices of labor and farm produce to drop at once. He thought that by the end of the year markets would be adjusted, and then there would be a gradual reduction. The Hydro-electric, he declared, was quite "a healthy infant" when it was handed over to the Whitney Government. He expressed the opinion that the Government should see to it that children of soldiers should be given an education, at least until they were ready for high schools.

Mr. Thomas Hook (Southeast Toronto) said that had the previous speaker followed affairs more closely in the House he would have known the Government had done most of the things he had suggested. The speaker then at considerable length detailed the record of the Conservative Administration. He concluded by reading a lengthy amendment to Mr. Atkinson's motion, extolling the deeds of the Government.

Resources of the North.

Mr. Thomas Magladery (Temiskaming) followed, and he added his congratulations to those of Mr. Hook to the Government for its splendid legislation. The Government had broken all records in its development of the northern part of the Province. He told of the wonderful resources of that part of the country, and condemned the former Liberal Administration for inattention to the northern section of the Province. He then introduced an amendment to the amendment, adding a clause expressing confidence that the Government would adopt and put into operation plans for the public welfare that may from time to time be required.

TORONTO BILLS IN COMMITTEE

All Get Through, but Some
of Them Are
Amended

FILLING STATION CLAUSE

Four Toronto bills were considered by the Municipal Committee of the Legislature yesterday. Three of them were reported favorably, after slight amendments had been made, and the fourth bill was approved after three clauses had been struck out. The most contentious clause, and around which most of the discussion centred, was that proposing to amend the Municipal Act defining that a "public garage shall include a building or place where motor cars are hired or kept or used for hire, or where such cars or gasoline or oils are stored or kept for sale, and a building used as an automobile repair shop."

Mr. Littlefield, General Manager of the Canadian Oil Co., declared that the clause was aimed directly at them, as they had been unable to secure a license from the city for their filling station at Delaware avenue and Bloor street. He asked that if the clause carried that some provision be made for this station. Mr. George H. Gooderham declared that the reason the building permit for the station had not been refused when applied for was that the architect at the time had no authority to do so. He contended that it was only proper the city should have the power to regulate these places. He was borne out in this by other of the Toronto members and City Solicitor Johnston. On division, the clause carried by a vote of 13 to 12.

The clause in the same bill which proposed to change the time in which a person nominated for municipal office might resign was defeated, the feeling of the committee being that the present law was the most satisfactory, particularly to the laboring men. An act which proposed that applicants for approval of plans of subdivisions by the city should pay five cents per foot frontage to meet the expenses incurred was carried.

Protection For Pavements.

The committee agreed with City Solicitor Johnston that the pavements on the roads should be protected, and they approved a clause amending the Load of Vehicles Act to make it necessary that all self-propelled vehicles, other than traction engines, shall be equipped with rubber tires, or of some composition equally resilient. Mr. Gooderham said it would only affect half a dozen lorries in the city of Toronto.

The war is over and the legislators are not going to allow their patriotism to run riot. When Mr. W. C. Chambers' bill proposing to permit municipal councils to pass by-laws for erecting, establishing, equipping and maintaining or for granting aid for the erection and equipment of a memorial home for nursing sisters, officers and men who had served in the war, was come to, the committee demurred. Finally they passed the clause after it was amended to permit only the council to pass such a by-law, after the electors had approved of the same. When that is done, exemption from general taxation will be granted for a period of ten years to such clubhouse or memorial home.