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SIX BILLS ARE PASSED IN HOUSE COMMITTEE

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This Year

After the Budget presentment of Premier Henry yesterday, the Legislature found time to move eight bills along another stage. Six were approved in committee, and are ready for their final stage, while two were given their second reading.

Those approved in committee include the act respecting the Ontario Institute of Radio-Therapy, confirming the arrangements the Government made with the Toronto General Hospital and the Kingston General Hospital regarding cancer clinics; the amendment to the Highway Traffic Act, compelling motorists to slow down to 20 miles an hour crossing railway crossings; the amendment to the Old-Age Pension Act, the Nursery Stock Act; a minor amendment to the Medical Act, and an amendment to the Municipal Franchises Act.

The two bills to receive their second reading were the Relief Land Settlement Act, confirming the arrangements entered into with the Dominion Government in connection with the back-to-the-land movement, and an amendment to the Public Health Act.

Hon. William Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests, stated that it was intended to operate the back-to-the-land movement in a very restricted way, a maximum of 200 families to be placed on the land during the year. The settlers had to be carefully chosen in order that they might be of a type which would be successful, he said.

M'QUIBBAN ASKS ALL AGREEMENTS ON ABITIBI DEAL

Tables Notice of Motion
Which He Will Move
Today

FOLLOWS NIXON QUERIES

Dr. G. A. McQuibban (Liberal, Wellington Northeast) tabled a notice of motion in the Ontario Legislature yesterday, asking that all agreements, contracts, correspondence, etc., in connection with the Abitibi deal, be tabled in the House. Dr. McQuibban will move today for the information outlined in his notice.

The demand of the Liberal Whip follows close upon inquiries of Hon. Harry Nixon, Progressive Leader, who asked on Wednesday if Premier Henry, other Cabinet Ministers or Hydro Commissioners were financially interested in the deal. Speaking to The Globe yesterday, Premier Henry stated that his refusal to answer certain questions put to him by the press did not mean that the Government would refuse to table a reply to Mr. Nixon's queries.

The notice of motion tabled by Dr. McQuibban reads as follows:

That there be laid before this House a return showing all agreements and contracts entered into between the Ontario Power Service Corporation, Limited, and the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for the acquisition by the Commission of the assets of the corporation and the debentures of the same, and also all correspondence in connection with the same passing from or to (1) the Government of the Province of Ontario, (2) the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and (3) the Ontario Power Service Corporation, Limited, and also all memorandums, reports, proposals, advertisements, papers and documents of any kind, or copies thereof, in any way relating to such acquisition, or in any way relating to or connected with the preliminary negotiations leading to such negotiations commenced in the possession or power of any of the said three above-mentioned parties, or of their solicitors, agents or trustees, and also showing the names of all holders of bonds of the Ontario Power Service Corporation who deposited their bonds as a part of such acquisition of the assets of the corporation.