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BILL OFFERED BY M'QUESTEN WOULD BAR IT

**Construction Would Need
Lieutenant-Governor's
Approval**

PROVISIONS ARE STRICT

**Measure Meant to Apply to
Owners of Wrecked Span,
Minister Says**

The Ontario Legislature moved yesterday to bar the International Railway Company from replacing the Falls View (Honeymoon) Bridge, which last January crashed into the Niagara River gorge, through a bill introduced by Hon. T. B. McQuesten, Minister of Highways and member of the Niagara Falls Parks Commission, which would prohibit the erection of such a bridge without the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

Mr. McQuesten, after introducing the measure, stated the bill applied directly to the Niagara Falls Bridge. Interpretation of the powers vested in the bridge company indicated that it would remove all possibility of competition to the Government's proposal to have a bridge erected near the old bridge site that would eventually become toll-free.

As explained earlier in the Legislature, consultations have been held between the Ontario and New York State authorities in respect to the bridge proposal and an application has been made to the Federal Government for a bridge charter.

The bill, called the Bridges Act, 1938, provides that bridges and other structures costing more than \$2,000 cannot be replaced or altered without the consent of the Government over streams, of which the bed is vested in his Majesty in the right of Ontario, or where the King, in the right of Ontario or any Board of Commissioners, is a riparian owner.

It provides further that no bridge of the general description given can be built or operated unless the owners are domiciled within Ontario or the company is incorporated under the laws of the Dominion of Canada or of Ontario or under the provisions of the extra-Provincial Corporation Act.

Finally, it is provided that when such a bridge is operated contrary to these regulations, or as much of it that may be erected in Ontario, as across a boundary, "it shall be deemed subject to any direction of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, to be the property of his Majesty the King."

COMMITTEE'S STAND ON BILL IS UNANIMOUS

**Medical Expert Tells House
Group Accredited Herds
Not Always Safe**

OBJECTIONS DISSIPATED

**Quints Never Fed Drop of
Raw Milk, Dr. Dafoe
Informs M.L.A.'s**

Unanimous endorsement was given yesterday by members of the Legislature Agricultural Committee to the principles of milk pasteurization bill, and the measure was reported back to the House without amendment.

Several members said frankly that their previous objections had been dissipated, largely through the statements given to the committee by a group of medical authorities which included Dr. Alan Brown, Physician-in-Chief of the Hospital for Sick Children; Dr. J. L. MacDonald, staff surgeon and associate of Dr. D. E. Robertson, Surgeon-in-Chief at the hospital; Dr. Allan Roy Dafoe, physician to the Dionne quintuplets; Dr. A. D. Kelly, representing the Ontario Medical Association; Dr. J. T. Phair, Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health; Dr. Gordon Bates, Director of the Health League of Canada, and Dr. A. E. Berry, Director of the Division of Sanitary Engineering, Department of Health.

Says Nutritional Value Kept.

The medical experts were introduced by Hon. P. M. Dewan, Minister of Agriculture, and Hon. Harold J. Kirby, Minister of Health, who sponsored the bill. Dr. Brown emphasized that pasteurization did not reduce the nutritional value of milk and that such minute losses that did occur were corrected by a balanced diet. He emphasized also that protection was not wholly given in milk from accredited T.B.-tested herds, and cited instances of how and where infection had polluted accredited milk through handling or lapses in the health of cows between tests.

His evidence and the evidence of others on this one phase was admittedly one reason for a change of sentiment as members of the committee said that they had been of the opinion that milk from accredited herds was safe.

Dr. Dafoe, who stated that Dr. Brown had done more toward cutting down the rate of child mortality in Canada than any other person, said that the quints had never been fed a drop of raw milk and he described illnesses he found in general practice in which the clauses were traceable to infected milk.

Endorsed by Association.

The physicians held that 10 per cent of tuberculosis in children was of the bovine type, described the effects and prevalence of undulant fever and other diseases than can be transmitted by infected milk, while Dr. MacDonald emphasized the surgical aspects and the crippling action of bone tuberculosis of the bovine type.

Dr. Kelly submitted a resolution of the Ontario Medical Association which endorsed the pasteurization measure. Dr. Bates, in describing general preventive work in this line, declared that the 1927 typhoid epidemic in Montreal, that caused 500 deaths, was caused by drinking of raw milk infected by one worker in the supply system.

Members were strongly of the opinion that before the provisions of the bill were extended to the rural areas, the department should conduct an educational campaign to impress the public with the desirability of pasteurization.

Committee Starts Probe Of Macaulay's Charge

Evidence concerning the system of handling mail at the Queen's Park Postoffice was offered by Postmaster D. D. MacMillan yesterday in the first sitting of a special

committee investigating charges of Hon. Leopold Macaulay that mail had been tampered with. The inquiry was adjourned to next Wednesday after decision had been reached to call the Conservative House Leader for testimony concerning his charge.