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Awaiting the call to enter the Chamber and take his seat is Charles H. Martin, Progressive Conservative victor in the recent Haldimand-Norfolk by-election, who was introduced in the Legislature yesterday. He was escorted into the House a few minutes after this picture was taken. After shaking hands with Speaker W. J. Stewart, he took his seat on the Government side amid desk-thumping.

LAST OF BILLS IS INTRODUCED

Confirming the Province's agreement with the Dominion Government of Nov. 1, 1943, on payment of old age pensions and providing for cost of medical services to those receiving such pensions, an amendment to the Old Age Pensions Act was introduced in the Legislature yesterday by Health Minister Dr. R. P. Vivian.

It was one of a number of bills introduced by the Government and which concluded the Government's legislative program for this session.

Among bills introduced was one offered by Dana H. Porter (P.C., Toronto-St. George) increasing the Board of Optometry from three to five members and making other provisions for the profession. The secretary of the board is to be appointed in future by the board instead of by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and a right of appeal is given back to members in cases of charges of "disgraceful conduct." This right of appeal, Mr. Porter said, was taken away about eight years ago.

First reading was given a C.C.F. bill on housing presented by F. W. Warren (C.C.F., Hamilton-Wentworth). It permits establishment of local housing authorities. First reading also was given to Attorney-General Leslie Blackwell's Statute Law Amendment Act referring to a number of minor amendments to sundry Provincial acts; Mines Minister L. M. Frost's amendment to the Mining Act and Dr. Vivian's amendment to the Medical Act providing for temporary registration during the war and for six months after of medical men and regulating certification of specialists.