

THE SENATE
THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND
COMMUNICATIONS

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OTTAWA, Thursday, June 3, 1965

The Standing Committee on Transport and Communications, to which was referred Bill S-3, to incorporate the Ottawa Terminal Railway Company, met this day at 10 a.m.

Senator A. K. HUGESSEN in the Chair.

The CHAIRMAN: Honourable senators, I would ask the committee to come to order. It is 10 o'clock, and there is a quorum. We have this morning to consider Bill S-3, an act to incorporate the Ottawa Terminal Railway Company.

The committee agreed that a verbatim report be made of the committee's proceedings on the said bill.

The committee agreed to report, recommending that authority be granted for the printing of 800 copies in English and 300 copies in French of the committee's proceedings on the said bill.

The CHAIRMAN: Honourable senators will note that this bill is similar to a bill we considered last year which was recommended by this committee to the Senate after one or two amendments, when it was passed by the Senate, but it failed to receive passage in the House of Commons.

The gentlemen who are appearing in support of the application are the same as appeared before us last year: Lt. Gen S. F. Clark, Chairman of the National Capital Commission; Mr. Jacques Fortier, Counsel for the Department of Transport; representatives of the two railway companies— Mr. K. D. M. Spence, Q.C., Commission Counsel for Canadian Pacific Railway and Mr. J. W. G. Macdougall, Q.C., General Solicitor for Canadian National Railways. Also we have for the petitioners, Mrs. Thomas, Counsel to the National Capital Commission.

In addition, there are some gentlemen here who wish to make representations in connection with this bill, who were not present last year. They are representatives of the various railway unions, and there are quite a number of them. They represent the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the International Railway Brotherhoods and the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Transport and General Workers.

The committee will recall that last year we had representations from the Canadian Trucking Associations, whose general manager, Mr. John Magee, was present with his counsel.

As I recall it, we made one change in the bill at their request, and refused to make one or two changes. I understand that Mr. Magee is here this morning. However, I received a letter from him which I think I should read to the committee. It is addressed to myself and is dated June 1. It reads as follows:

Dear Senator Hugessen,

Canadian Trucking Associations has had discussions with the railways with regard to an amendment of section 10(g) of Bill S-3 which would resolve to the mutual satisfaction of both parties questions inherent in the existing section. Agreement has been reached as to the