

The Hon. the Speaker said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have it in command to let you know that His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Parliament of Canada until a Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen, according to law; but this afternoon, at the hour of three o'clock, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling Parliament.

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Right Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have received the following communication:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE
OTTAWA

4 January 1973

Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will arrive at the Main Entrance of the Parliament Buildings at 3.00 p.m. on this day, Thursday the 4th January, 1973, and when it has been signified that all is in readiness, will proceed to the Chamber of the Senate to open formally the First Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament of Canada.

I have the honour to be,
Madam,
Your obedient servant,
Esmond Butler

Secretary to the Governor General.

The Honourable

The Speaker of the Senate,
Ottawa.

NEW SENATORS

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the Clerk has received certificates from the Registrar General of Canada showing that the following persons, respectively, have been summoned to the Senate:

Hon. John James Greene, P.C.

Hon. Joseph Julien Jean-Pierre Côté, P.C.

NEW SENATORS INTRODUCED

The Hon. the Speaker having informed the Senate that there were senators without, waiting to be introduced:

[The Hon. the Speaker.]

The following honourable senators were introduced; presented Her Majesty's writs of summons, which were read by the Clerk Assistant; took the legally prescribed oath, which was administered by the Clerk and were seated:

Hon. John James Greene, P.C., of Niagara Falls, Ontario, introduced between Hon. Paul Martin, P.C., and Hon. F. W. Rowe.

Hon. Joseph Julien Jean-Pierre Côté, P.C., of the City of Longueuil, Quebec, introduced between Hon. Paul Martin, P.C., and Hon. Maurice Bourget, P.C.

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that each of the honourable senators named above had made and subscribed the declaration of qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed to receive and witness the said declaration.

THE LATE RIGHT HONOURABLE LESTER B. PEARSON TRIBUTES TO FORMER PRIME MINISTER

Hon. Paul Martin: Honourable senators, I rise in the Senate to pay my tribute to the former Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Lester Bowles Pearson, who died Wednesday last, December 27, and whose remains were taken from these Parliament Buildings Sunday, December 31, for burial in the Gatineau hills.

He was known, and will always be known to all of us, I believe, as Mike Pearson. May I say that I had a long association with him. I knew him first as a lecturer in history at the University of Toronto, when I was a student there. I knew him as an official of promise in the Department of External Affairs; as a colleague in the governments of Mackenzie King and Louis St. Laurent and in that over which he himself so ably presided; as Secretary of State for External Affairs, when I was privileged to lead Canada's delegation to the United Nations during the late forties and early fifties; as the man who became decisively Leader of the Liberal Party in 1958; as Leader in Opposition and in Government, when I was his House of Commons seatmate and foreign minister; and as a friend during the last five years, when he was released from the heavy burdens of office.

He led as varied a life out of office as he had in politics and in diplomacy. In retirement he devoted his time to the things that mattered most to him—that is, his commitment to international co-operation and the importance of collective action as the solution to the problems of the world community.

This concern he expressed in a variety of ways. He expressed it as Chairman of the World Bank's Commission on International Aid and Development. Mr. Edward Heath, the British Prime Minister, when he was here on Sunday last attending the funeral, said it was Pearson's genius that guided his colleagues to make so important a report. He expressed it as Chairman of the International Institute for Strategic Studies, where he worked in such fields as arms limitation, force reductions in Europe, and relations with China, as well as the problems of the world in general. He expressed it as Chairman of the International Development Research Centre, which, as Leader of