

THE SENATE

Tuesday, September 13, 1966

The Senate met at 8 p.m., Hon. Maurice Bourget, P.C., Acting Speaker, in the Chair.
Prayers.

NEW SENATOR

The Hon. the Acting Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the Clerk has received a certificate from the Secretary of State of Canada showing that

Chesley William Carter, Esquire
has been summoned to the Senate.

NEW SENATOR INTRODUCED

The Hon. the Acting Speaker having informed the Senate that there was a senator without waiting to be introduced:

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

Hon. Chesley William Carter, of St. John's, Newfoundland, introduced between Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) and Hon. Mr. Basha.

The Hon. the Acting Speaker informed the Senate that the honourable senator 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.

Hon. John J. Connolly: Honourable senators, before we proceed with the business of the Senate may I, on your behalf, welcome Senator Carter to this chamber. He is not a stranger to us, having been on Parliament Hill for some seventeen years. I believe he was one of the first members elected from the Province of Newfoundland. He was elected on several occasions by acclamation, which speaks well for the reputation he enjoys among his own people. I know he will be a very valuable addition to the Senate. As a result of having Senator Carter among us, we also get a bonus because there is no more popular person on Parliament Hill today than Mrs. Carter.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS IN SENATE GALLERY

Hon. John J. Connolly: Honourable senators, I wish to draw your attention to the fact that in the gallery tonight we have as a very special guest Mr. William Wilberforce Kalema, Minister of Public Works from our sister Commonwealth country Uganda. Mr. Kalema is the Vice-President of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and will become President at the meeting which is being held in Canada this year. Next year the meeting of the Association will be held in Uganda, and I can already see the lines forming for those who aspire to go to that meeting.

On your behalf and my own I welcome Mr. Kalema to the Senate of Canada tonight, and I invite all honourable senators who can do so to visit my chambers immediately after the sitting this evening, where they will have an opportunity of meeting Mr. Kalema personally.

I would mention that we also have in the gallery tonight the Secretary General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Mr. Robin Vanderfelt, and the Editor of Publications, Mr. Ian Grey, both of whom are from London and have already done magnificent work in connection with the opening activities of the Association which were held in Montreal this past weekend.

CONSUMER CREDIT

ENLARGEMENT OF REFERENCE TO JOINT COMMITTEE

The Hon. the Acting Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the following message has been received from the House of Commons:

Ordered: That the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Commons appointed to inquire into and report upon the problems of consumer credit be instructed also to inquire into and report upon the trends in the cost of living in Canada and factors which may have contributed to changes in the cost of living in Canada in recent months;

That the Committee have leave to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of this House; and

That a message be sent to the Senate to acquaint Their Honours thereof and to