2. The Cabinet, after discussion, agreed that deputy heads of Government departments be authorized to make whatever arrangements appeared to be most satisfactory with respect to the period allowed for lunch, provided the total hours of work during the week were not less than thirty-six and a quarter.

## Speech from the Throne

3. The Prime Minister, referring to discussion the previous day, said it was proposed to include in the Speech from the Throne references to the Korean situation, the measures to be taken for future control of the Red River and the Assiniboine River, and the work accomplished by the armed forces in the case of the Manitoba floods and the fires at Rimouski and Cabano, as well as in the Fraser River Valley flood of 1948.

A revised draft speech was submitted.

4. The Cabinet, after discussion, noted with approval the Prime Minister's proposal with respect to the inclusion of additional references in the Speech from the Throne at the closing of the current session of Parliament.

## Okanagan Valley, B.C.; flood control projects

- 5. The Prime Minister reported that, by Order in Council P.C.657 of February 26th, 1948, it had been agreed that 80 per cent of the total cost involved in the proposed flood control project in the Okanagan Valley, B.C., would be shared equally by the Federal Government and the Province of British Columbia, and that the municipalities of the Okanagan Valley would contribute the remaining 20 per cent. It was now represented that, since the interests of the municipalities in the project varied considerably, it would be impractical for them to participate, and it was therefore recommended that the total cost of the project, now estimated at \$2,417,259.56, be shared equally by the Federal Government and the Government of British Columbia.
- 6. The Cabinet, after discussion, agreed that the Federal Government and the Government of the Province of British Columbia bear an equal share

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