

The Address

That, pursuant to Standing Order 104, the Standing Committee on House Management be appointed to prepare and report lists of members to compose the standing and standing joint committees of this House; and that the committee be composed of: Mrs. Ablonczy, Mrs. Bakopanos, Mr. Boudria, Mr. Duceppe, Mr. Gagliano, Mr. Gauthier (Roberval), Mr. Hermanson, Mr. Langlois, Mr. Lee, Mr. Malhi, Mr. McWhinney, Mr. Milliken, Mr. Patry and Mr. White (Fraser Valley West).

(Motion agreed to.)

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[Translation]

HOUSE OF COMMONS

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Right Hon. Jean Chrétien (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I move:

That Mr. David Kilgour, member for the electoral district of Edmonton Southeast, be appointed Deputy Speaker of the House and Chairman of committee of the whole House.

(Motion agreed to.)

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● (1550)

[English]

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Right Hon. Jean Chrétien (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I move:

That Shirley Maheu, member for the electoral district of Saint-Laurent—Cartierville, be appointed Deputy Chairman of committee of the whole House.

(Motion agreed to.)

[Translation]

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Right Hon. Jean Chrétien (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I move:

That Mr. Bob Kilger, member for the electoral district of Stormont—Dundas, be appointed Assistant Deputy Chairman of committee of the whole House.

(Motion agreed to.)

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[English]

SUPPLY

Hon. Arthur C. Eggleton (President of the Treasury Board and Minister responsible for Infrastructure): Mr. Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order 81 I move:

That the business of supply be considered at the next sitting of the House.

(Motion agreed to.)

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[Translation]

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

ADDRESS IN REPLY

The House proceeded to the consideration of the speech delivered by His Excellency the Governor General at the opening of the session.

Mr. Ovid L. Jackson (Bruce—Grey): Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and humility that I move the motion on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

[English]

I would like to pay my respects to His Excellency the Governor General and thank him for delivering the speech to both Houses.

I would also like to pay my respects and congratulate you, Mr. Speaker, on your election as Speaker of this venerable body, the House of Commons. We appreciate the fact that you are going to be guiding us. I know personally you are going to do a good job.

I hail from the riding of Bruce—Grey, home to two important and outstanding Canadian feminists. One was Nellie McClung who was a lecturer, author and defender of women's rights. As well we had another outstanding woman, the Hon. Agnes Macphail, the first woman ever elected to the House of Commons.

My riding is the birthplace of Billy Bishop, the famous world war flying ace. We are immensely proud to be the home of Tom Thomson, a famous Canadian artist who was a member of the Group of Seven.

● (1555)

Walter Harris, who was born in Kimberly and now resides in Markdale, was the finance minister during the session of 1954–57. I want to remind the hon. Minister of Finance that Mr. Harris balanced the budget twice.

The riding of Bruce—Grey is bound by the south and east coast of Georgian Bay. It includes the entire Bruce peninsula which includes Tobermory though to Wiarton, home of Wiarton Willy, the groundhog famous for weather forecasting. The Americans had to invent a groundhog in order to compete with our Wiarton Willy who does such a good job.

In the south of the riding are the towns of Walkerton and Hanover and to the west of the riding is located beautiful Sauble Beach, a destination point and resort area.

The city of Owen Sound, my home town of which I was mayor for the last four terms, is the regional centre for the area. It houses the famous Owen Sound Little Theatre.