

Hon. Mr. McMEANS: Do I understand that the gentlemen would be prepared to go on on that date—there would not be any requests for further adjournments—peremptorily?

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, well if that is satisfactory to all the Committee will be adjourned.

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: The witnesses will be called for then?

The CHAIRMAN: Yes.

Mr. Cannon, have you any desire that this Committee should summon anybody, any witnesses?

Hon. Mr. CANNON: Well, at present I am not in a position to make any suggestions along those lines, but if we felt that witnesses might be summoned, I can give the Committee an assurance that I will communicate either with you, Mr. Chairman, before the Committee meets again, or the very day it meets, so that there will be no delay.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, that will be understood.

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: I would suggest that Mr. Aimé Geoffrion, K.C., be summoned to appear.

Mr. ROBERTSON: May I ask if it would be quite in order to let counsel have in advance the names of the witnesses who are to be called?

The CHAIRMAN: Oh, I think so.

Mr. ROBERTSON: We could prepare much better.

The CHAIRMAN: Oh, certainly. We have open court here.

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: As to that, it might be understood that anybody interested will be at liberty to ask that witnesses be summoned, and that the Clerk will let counsel know.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Hinds will have all the information.

Hon. Mr. CANNON: And may I ask that counsel be supplied with the proceedings of the Senate since the opening of this session, and also the proceedings of the House of Commons, so we will have before us a record.

The CHAIRMAN: Anything like that we will be very pleased to give you.

Hon. Mr. McMEANS: You can get that from the Clerk.

The CHAIRMAN: Well, if there is nothing else, the Committee will stand adjourned until Wednesday, the 2nd day of March, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

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THE SENATE,

WEDNESDAY, March 2, 1932.

The Special Committee appointed for the purpose of taking into consideration the report of a Special Committee of the House of Commons of the last session thereof to investigate the Beauharnois Power Project, in so far as said report relates to any honourable members of the Senate, met this day at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Present: the Honourable Senators Tanner (Chairman), Béique, Chapais, Copp, Donnelly, Graham, Griesbach, McMeans, and Robinson.

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