

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 27, 1953

The house met at eleven o'clock.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

RECESS TO WELCOME ROYAL CANADIAN REGIMENT

Right Hon. L. S. St. Laurent (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, on a question of privilege, it has been suggested to me, in view of the fact that the Royal Canadian Regiment is returning from Korea and is to be on parliament hill at half past eleven so that their honorary colonel may return their colours to them, that we might recess for half an hour. It is unusual, but I am sure we are all very appreciative of what the young men of Canada have done to carry out our part of the United Nations undertaking, and it might be regarded as a fitting tribute from the House of Commons to congratulate them on their return and to express our sympathy for those they have left behind them in Korean graves.

Mr. Speaker: Is it agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Later:]

Mr. Fournier (Hull): Before we suspend the sittings, Mr. Speaker, I should like to say that after the recess we will proceed with item No. 5 on the order paper, Bill No. 338, an act respecting co-operative credit associations. I understand that the provincial associations who wish to come under this measure would have to apply to the House of Commons for a private charter, and any delay in presenting this legislation would delay their application for a private charter. I did not announce this on Friday evening because I was not acquainted with the facts until Saturday. If there are any serious objections, we shall have to put it off until tomorrow. Perhaps we could proceed today with this bill.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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THE LATE QUEEN MARY

MESSAGE FROM HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR ADDRESS
OF SYMPATHY

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the house that I have received a copy of a message from Her Majesty the Queen, signed by her own hand, which is as follows:

Windsor Castle

Members of the Senate and of the House of Commons of Canada:

I have received with heartfelt appreciation the address which you have presented to me.

I am sincerely grateful for your sympathy in the loss that I have sustained through the death of Her Majesty Queen Mary, my grandmother, and I greatly value the loyal assurances which have accompanied your message.

Elizabeth R

14th April, 1953.

GRAIN

REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE OF
REPORT OF BOARD OF GRAIN COMMISSIONERS

Right Hon. C. D. Howe (Minister of Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, I wish to lay on the table a copy of the annual report of the board of grain commissioners for the year 1952. I regret that there are not sufficient copies available for general distribution but a number of copies are being placed on the table.

The queen's printer has co-operated with us in making this report available in unfinished form. It is being tabled subject to final proofreading at a later date.

I would move that this report be referred for study to the standing committee on agriculture and colonization.

Motion agreed to.

CANADA GRAIN ACT

PROVISION TO SELL OR STORE GRAIN SUBJECT
TO SAMPLE GRADE

Mr. H. R. Argue (Assiniboia) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 362, to amend the Canada Grain Act (right of producer to sell or store grain subject to sample grade).

Some hon. Members: Explain.