

promote employment by expenditures on essential public works and undertakings throughout the dominion.

You will be invited to consider, amongst others, measures relating to the Excise Act, the Companies Act, the Judges Act, and the Elections Act.

Members of the House of Commons:

The accounts of the last year will be laid before you. The estimates for the coming year will be submitted at an early date. They have been prepared with a regard for rigid economy consistent with the requirements of the public service.

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I invoke the divine blessing upon your deliberations, confident that the measures submitted for your consideration will receive your earnest attention.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister) moved:

That the speech of His Excellency the Governor General to both houses of parliament be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Motion agreed to.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEES

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister) moved:

That a special committee be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of members to compose the select standing committees of this house under standing order 63, said committee to be composed of Messrs. Rhodes, Dupré, Simpson (West Algoma), Stewart (West Edmonton) and Casgrain.

Motion agreed to.

INTERNAL ECONOMY COMMISSION

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister) presented the following message from His Excellency the Governor General:

The Governor General transmits to the House of Commons a certified copy of an approved minute of council, appointing the Right Honourable Sir George H. Perley, Minister without portfolio; the Honourable D. M. Sutherland, Minister of National Defence; the Honourable T. G. Murphy, Minister of the Interior and Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and the Honourable M. Dupré, Solicitor General, to act with the Speaker of the House of Commons as commissioners for the purposes and under the provisions of chapter 145 of the revised statutes of Canada, 1927, intitled, "An Act respecting the House of Commons."

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to lay before the house the report of the joint librarians of parliament.

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TRIBUTES TO DECEASED MEMBERS

THE LATE THOMAS MERRITT CAYLEY—THE LATE HON. EDMOND BAIRD RYCKMAN

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, once more it is my melancholy duty to record the passing of two of our members during the recess. We had barely separated after prorogation when death called one of our not very well known but very well beloved members, Mr. Thomas Merritt Cayley, member for South Oxford.

I sometimes wonder whether or not a recess has ever passed without death claiming one of the members of this house. Mr. Cayley's death was not unexpected; I think he himself realized that his days were numbered. He had lived for many years in the county which he represented; he was a representative of the very finest type of citizenship of the old province of Ontario. In his younger days he had been a teacher, and it is a matter of comment that during the last contest in the county which he represented he was supported very warmly and enthusiastically by large numbers of young men and women who had received instruction at his hands.

He was not very active in the business of this house, yet his fine business sense and his wide knowledge of insurance matters always gave singular importance to any observations he was pleased to make in this chamber. We will mourn his passing as a loss to that membership in the house which is represented by those who have passed through various stages of political life in the counties which they represent, and who in my judgment are the finest representatives of the finest type of Canadian citizenship. I offer to the right hon. leader of the opposition (Mr. Mackenzie King) and the members of his party my sincere sympathy in the loss of a very excellent hard working and distinguished member of parliament.

The other death that I have to record today is that of a colleague to whom I was warmly attached, and I find it difficult to express in adequate terms my sense of loss at his passing. The late Hon. Edmond Baird Ryckman was a son of the parsonage. He was born in Quebec, but in his early youth lived in Ontario, and I recall very vividly a conversation with him in which he indicated his early struggles in the city of Guelph, represented by my friend and colleague the Minister of Justice (Mr. Guthrie).

Mr. Ryckman was an extraordinarily good student. His career at the university was one of high achievement, he having been a gold