THE SENATE

Wednesday, December 3, 1952

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

LOAN COMPANIES BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Hayden, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the report of the committee on Bill C, an Act to amend the Loan Companies Act.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred Bill C, an Act to amend the Loan Companies Act, have in obedience to the order of reference of November 26, 1952, examined the said bill, and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Robertson: With leave of the Senate, I move that the bill be read the third time now.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time, and passed.

TRUST COMPANIES BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Salter A. Hayden presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill D, an Act to amend the Trust Companies Act.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred Bill D, an Act to amend the Trust Companies Act, have in obedience to the order of reference of November 26, 1952, examined the said bill, and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Robertson: Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate, I move that the bill be read the third time now.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time, and passed.

CANADA EVIDENCE BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Salter A. Hayden presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill F, an Act to amend the Canada Evidence Act.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred Bill F, an Act to amend the Canada Evidence Act, have in obedience to the order of reference of November 27, 1952, examined the said bill, and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Robertson: With leave of the Senate, I move the third reading now.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time, and passed.

INDIAN BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Mr. Ross presented Bill Z, an Act to amend the Indian Act.

The bill was read the first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. Ross: Tuesday next.

PRIVATE BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Mr. Burchill (for Hon. Mr. Hugessen) presented Bill A-1, an Act to incorporate the Mercantile Bank of Canada.

The bill was read the first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. Burchill: Monday next.

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

On the Orders of the Day:

Hon. Mr. Robertson: Honourable senators, before the orders of the day are proceeded with I should like to make a few brief observations as to the work of the house.

I regret that circumstances beyond my control make it impossible for me to proceed today with the debate on the Speech from the Throne. Unfortunately, I must also ask that Item No. 2 on the Order Paper stand. This will result in a brief sitting of the house today; however, it is not an unmixed blessing, for it will facilitate the work of the various