

affairs of the Yukon and the Northwest Territories, including the Arctic Archipelago, and the welfare of the Eskimos.

You will be asked to amend the Pipe Lines Act to give the Board of Transport Commissioners jurisdiction over all companies authorized to construct or operate interprovincial or international oil or gas pipe lines.

The New York State Power Authority has accepted a licence granted by the Federal Power Commission in the United States for the development of the United States share of power in the international rapids section of the St. Lawrence River. It is hoped that litigation in the United States will not have the effect of delaying the construction of the project.

As further steps in helping to improve social welfare, co-ordinated plans for rehabilitation of disabled persons are being worked out with the provinces and a measure to facilitate the establishment nationwide of a federal-provincial assistance program for totally disabled persons will be submitted for your consideration.

As provided by law you will be required to consider this year a complete revision of the Bank Act.

The bill for the complete revision of the Criminal Code which was not finally dealt with in the last Parliament will be submitted for your consideration.

A committee of penal experts has been appointed to examine and report upon methods of parole and remission of sentences.

Other measures which will be placed before you for consideration include bills respecting the Canadian Forces; the United Kingdom Financial Agreement; the Ontario-Manitoba boundary; the extension for another year of the emergency gold mining assistance; and bills to amend the Bank of Canada Act, the Municipal Grants Act, the Explosives Act, the Opium and Narcotic Drug Act, the Customs Act, the Excise Act, the Excise Tax Act, the Atomic Energy Control Act and certain veterans legislation.

Members of the House of Commons:

You will be asked to make provision for all essential services including our national defence and the meeting of our obligations under the United Nations Charter and the North Atlantic Treaty.

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

May Divine Providence bless your deliberations and help us to come nearer to a true and lasting peace.

The House of Commons withdrew.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

RAILWAY BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Mr. Lambert (for Hon. Mr. Macdonald) presented Bill A, an Act relating to railways.

The bill was read the first time.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

CONSIDERATION ON TUESDAY NEXT

On motion of Hon. Mr. Lambert (for Hon. Mr. Macdonald), it was ordered that the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

COMMITTEE ON ORDERS AND PRIVILEGES

APPOINTMENT

Hon. Mr. Lambert (for Hon. Mr. Macdonald), with leave of the Senate, moved:

That all the senators present during this session be appointed a committee to consider the Orders and Customs of the Senate and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said committee have leave to meet in the Senate chamber when and as often as they please.

The motion was agreed to.

COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

APPOINTMENT

Hon. Mr. Lambert (for Hon. Mr. Macdonald), with leave of the Senate, moved:

That pursuant to Rule 77, the following senators, to wit: the Honourable Senators Aseltine, Beaubien, Gouin, Haig, Hugessen, Macdonald, McDonald, Quinn and Taylor be appointed a Committee of Selection to nominate senators to serve on the several Standing Committees during the present session; and to report with all convenient speed the names of the senators so nominated.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, November 17, at 8 p.m.