Provision has been made for increasing the capital of Trans-Canada Air Lines to permit of the expansion of our international air services. Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the financial provision you have made for all essential services, as well as for expenditures arising out of the war and for purposes of reconstruction.

The unprecedented response to the Ninth Victory Loan was heartening evidence of the determination of the Canadian people to consolidate victory.

A measure of relief from the wartime burden of taxation has been a significant feature of the session.

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

My Ministers were gratified at the approval given to the proposal that Canada should possess a distinctive national flag. At the next session, they will propose that the Select Committee of both Houses be reconstituted in order to complete the task of considering a suitable design for a Canadian flag.

It affords me pleasure to state that a successful beginning has been made in the planned development and beautification of Canada's capital and its surrounding area as a national memorial to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Canadians in the war just ended.

On taking leave of you at the close of this momentous year, I pray that Providence may continue to bless our country, and to guide the nations of the world in their efforts to establish an enduring peace.

His Honour the SPEAKER OF THE SENATE then said:-

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

It is the Honourable the Deputy Governor General's will and pleasure that this Parliament be prorogued until Monday, the twenty-eighth day of January, next, to be here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Monday, the twenty-eighth day of January, next.

GASPARD FAUTEUX,

Speaker.