

just as the Speech from the Throne is about to begin, not that anybody should hit them with a club. I suggest no change in the rules, but merely that the word "Order" be uttered loud enough and often enough and by enough people that these visitors shall hear it.

Hon. Nancy Hodges: Perhaps we could overcome the present difficulty by having a little more noise in this house than outside. I suggest that a loud speaker be placed near the Speaker's chair so that nobody can fail to hear His Excellency the Governor General or His Honour the Speaker.

Hon. Norman McL. Paterson: The honourable senator who has just spoken has taken the words out of my mouth. Yesterday I was sitting at the far end of the chamber and I could not hear a solitary syllable of His Excellency the Governor General's Speech; and this, not only because members from the

Commons were conversing, but because sound in this chamber does not carry well. So I suggest that a loud speaker be installed. I have noticed time and again that people who stand behind the bar cannot hear the Governor General, and you cannot keep people from talking if they are unable to hear what is going on.

Hon. W. D. Euler: It seems to me that it should at least be possible for those who are gathered in this chamber to hear what is being read by His Excellency the Governor General. If it is thought quite proper that there should be all sorts of disturbance at the far end, so that we cannot hear, we should dispense, I suggest, with the reading of the Speech and simply have it printed in *Hansard*, where we could read it the next day.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 3 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPEECHES
APPENDIX B
The Committee on Speeches, composed of the Honourable Members of the Senate and the Honourable Members of the House of Commons, has the honour to report to the Senate and the House of Commons the results of its work during the session of 1956-57. The Committee was established by the Senate on October 12, 1956, and the House of Commons on October 13, 1956. The Committee's mandate was to study the practice of oral reports from the Executive Council and the various departments and to make such recommendations as it might see fit to make to the Senate and the House of Commons. The Committee has the honour to report that it has completed its study and has submitted its report to the Senate and the House of Commons on January 8, 1957. The report is contained in the enclosed report and is also being published in the form of a separate report. The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Honourable Members of the Senate and the House of Commons who have assisted it in its work during the session. It also wishes to express its appreciation to the staff of the Senate and the House of Commons who have assisted it in its work during the session. The Committee is sure that the report will be of great value to the Senate and the House of Commons in their deliberations on the subject of oral reports from the Executive Council and the various departments.