

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: I know Senator Raymond is in the building. He may be in his room just now. If he is required he can be had, because he is in the building.

The CHAIRMAN: Is Senator McDougald present, or represented by counsel?

Hon. LUCIEN CANNON: Senator McDougald is not here, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Are you representing him?

Hon. Mr. CANNON: I am representing him, Mr. Chairman. I understood the meeting to-day to be a preliminary meeting for organization purposes, and that the Committee did not intend beginning its actual work to-day—that there is to be an adjournment. That is the understanding I had.

The CHAIRMAN: Then we can put it on the record that you are representing him.

Hon. Mr. CANNON: Yes, sir.

The CHAIRMAN: Senator Haydon, are you going to be represented by counsel?

Hon. Mr. HAYDON: Yes, by Mr. R. S. Robertson, K.C., of Toronto.

The CHAIRMAN: And Senator Raymond is in the building, and I think you said, Mr. BÉIQUE, he did not intend to have counsel.

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: I think he intends to have counsel.

The CHAIRMAN: Well, I may say to the members of the Committee who were not present at the last meeting we had, immediately after the Senate adjourned, a resolution was passed to ask for counsel for the Committee of the Senate, I was in communication with the leader of the Senate, Mr. Meighen, but up to the present time I have had no definite information as to who is to act in that capacity.

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: It can be done before the next meeting.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. Mr. Cannon, on behalf of Senator McDougald have you any suggestion to make as to when Mr. McDougald would find it convenient to be here?

Hon. Mr. CANNON: He is at the entire disposal of the Committee. We are altogether in your hands, Mr. Chairman. Whatever you decide will suit us.

The CHAIRMAN: I suppose that is true of you also, Mr. Haydon?

Hon. Mr. HAYDON: Oh, quite.

The CHAIRMAN: And, I presume, of Mr. Raymond?

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: Yes, I would suggest that when this Committee adjourns it should adjourn to Tuesday the 23rd—Tuesday next.

The CHAIRMAN: That is a week from to-day.

Hon. Mr. McMEANS: The Senate meets on the 1st of March. Perhaps we had better adjourn till the 2nd of March.

The CHAIRMAN: It is very desirable that we should have all the members of the Committee here without unnecessary inconvenience. Everybody would be here then. Senator Chapais is away. He could not be here to-day. Would that suit you, senator?

Hon. Mr. BÉIQUE: Yes.

The CHAIRMAN: Have you gentlemen any suggestion to make about that, or any desire? It is proposed by the Committee to adjourn until Wednesday the 2nd of March, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Mr. ROBERTSON: We will make that convenient for us.

The CHAIRMAN: We would like to consult your convenience as well.

Mr. ROBERTSON: That is quite all right.