

mercial side of the newspaper business, by permitting two of his most capable employees to take high positions in those organizations. The editor of his Quebec newspaper became president of the Canadian Press, a position he held for two years. The manager of his newspaper in Three Rivers became president of the Canadian Daily Newspaper Publishers Association. They took these offices not only with the concurrence of Senator Nicol but with his most hearty co-operation.

I can assure honourable senators that the newspaper publishers of this country valued most highly the advice and help of Senator Nicol, because he had been so successful himself. He published good, clean newspapers, and as a newspaper publisher I am very pleased at this time to pay him this tribute.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to present to the Senate the report of the Parliamentary Librarian to the Second Session of the Twenty-Fourth Parliament.

Ordered, that the report be tabled.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: Honourable senators, I table some 25 documents and reports, as follows:

The *Canada Gazette*, Part II, Statutory Orders and Regulations, 1958, as follows:

Hon. Mr. Robertson: Dispense.

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: Last year I was criticized, I believe by the honourable gentleman from Inkerman (Hon. Mr. Hugessen), for not reading to the house the titles of documents I was tabling. It was for that reason I did not ask to have the reading of the titles dispensed with now. However, with the consent of honourable members I will not read the list of documents on this occasion because it would probably take me 20 minutes to do so. Is it the wish of honourable senators that I table these documents now, on the understanding that the full list of them will appear in tomorrow's *Minutes of Proceedings*?

Hon. Mr. Hugessen: On division.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Before the documents are tabled I would like to know if the so-called "hidden report" is included amongst them.

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: I have taken certain steps in that connection and I will see what I can do about it.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Is it not included in those documents? I understand it was tabled in the other house.

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: I did make certain inquiries about it but I was not aware that it was included. However, I believe now that it is. I hope honourable senators will not ask me in the future to remember every one of the reports and documents that I table. I am going to keep in my desk a list of them so that if I am asked I will be able to refresh my memory without looking up official proceedings of the Senate.

I wish to say that among the documents tabled this evening is the Report of the Civil Service Commission of Canada, dated December 1958, entitled: "Personnel Administration in the Public Service". The French translation of this report is in mimeographed form and does not contain the appendixes shown in the printed copy in English. The printed copy of the French text of the report and the appendixes thereto will be available from the Queen's Printer in about two weeks' time and I shall place them before the house.

Hon. Jean-François Pouliot: Honourable senators, I will not ask a question but I would put once more the same reminder on record about the famous speech delivered at Edmonton last June by Dr. W. Kaye Lamb, Dominion Archivist, in which he said the worthy biographies of Canadians could be counted on the fingers of one hand. I wonder if that speech is among the reports that the honourable leader has tabled?

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: No, it would not be.

Hon. Mr. Pouliot: This is just a reminder.

PUBLIC LANDS GRANTS BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. W. M. Aseltine presented Bill S-2, to amend the Public Lands Grants Act.

Bill read first time.

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: In case honourable senators would like a brief explanation of this bill, I may say that it has to do with the method of transferring land from Canada to a province. I understand that in the past this was done by way of issuing a patent from Her Majesty the Queen in the right of the Dominion of Canada to Her Majesty the Queen in the right of the province to whom the land had been transferred. It has been thought for some time that this is not the proper way to do it, and all this bill does is set out a different way.