

our adjourning till a later hour to-day. We have a right to discuss the Bill when it comes from the other House. I move that when the House adjourns to-day it do stand adjourned till Monday next at 2 p.m.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Why 2 p.m. instead of 3?

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: The reason is that it is desirable to hasten prorogation, if possible, in order that the Prime Minister may depart.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: In the expectation that the Bill will leave the other Chamber Monday morning?

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: And be before us at 2 o'clock. That is the expectation.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until Monday, September 22, at 2 p.m.

THE SENATE

Monday, September 22, 1930.

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Hon. W. B. WILLOUGHBY: Honourable senators, the latest information I have received indicates that the other Chamber will not have finished until at least 2.45, and it may be later than that. I understand the honourable the leader on the other side of this House (Hon. Mr. Dandurand) will not arrive in the city until 4 o'clock, and it has been intimated to me, although not by him, that he will have something to say on the Bill that is to come before us. It is highly desirable that any discussion we may have should not be continued long after 4 o'clock, because we have to fix a time near that hour for prorogation, and to notify His Excellency; and, furthermore, there is to be a Council meeting at 5 o'clock. I know honourable members would not like to interfere with these arrangements.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: I have not been notified about the Council meeting.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: Well, my invitation went astray, too, but I am informed that the Council is to meet.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY.

PARLIAMENTARY RESTAURANT

MOTION

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: With the permission of the Senate, I should like to make some reference to the Parliamentary Restaurant. I feel it is safe to say that many honourable members of the Senate and of the other Chamber have not been too well satisfied with the arrangements that were made last year with reference to the operation of the restaurant. As honourable members know, the restaurant was put in charge of the Canadian National Railways and Parliament undertook to indemnify them for any loss they might sustain up to \$15,000 a year. That arrangement was to remain in force for one year only, unless renewed. When we met again provision had to be made for either the renewal of the contract with the company, or the making of other arrangements. We have, as honourable gentlemen know, a Joint Committee of the two Houses on the Restaurant. Two members representing the Senate, and, I presume, an equal number representing the other House, met in conference with Their Honours the Speakers of both Houses to consider what should be done, and, according to the information that I have received, it was the unanimous opinion that the contract should not be renewed, but that there should be a return to the old system. Pursuant to that decision, a resolution was passed by the other House, at the instance of the Prime Minister. I have in my hand a similar resolution, the approval of which by honourable gentlemen will permit of the necessary arrangements being made for the opening of the restaurant next session.

I move, seconded by Right Hon. Mr. Graham:

That it be resolved that the agreement made by the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Commons on the Restaurant, with the Canadian National Railways, approved by this House on the 6th day of June, 1929, to take over the management of the Parliamentary Restaurant and Cafeteria for the period of one year for the sum of \$15,000 be discontinued and that the management of the said restaurant and cafeteria be again assumed by the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Commons on the Restaurant.

Hon. Mr. MacARTHUR: Honourable members, I think that we should not acquiesce in this new arrangement without first receiving some information. On the whole, I would perhaps prefer a reversion to the old order. I remember, however, that I was one of the members of the committee that made the arrangement with Mr. Van Wyck. At the