THIRD READING

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall this Bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. KING: Honourable senators, with leave, I would move that the Bill be read the third time now.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

APPROPRIATION BILL NO. 1 FIRST READING

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill 44, an Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending the 31st March, 1943.

The Bill was read the first time.

SECOND READING

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall this Bill be read a second time?

Hon. Mr. KING: With leave of the Senate, I move the second reading now.

Hon. Mr. CALDER: I understand that only one-sixth of the general Estimates is being voted now.

Hon. Mr. KING: Yes.

Hon. Mr. CALDER: So there will be ample opportunity hereafter, if any honourable senator desires, to discuss the Estimates.

Hon. Mr. KING: One-sixth is being asked of the regular annual appropriation for Government business.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall this Bill be read a third time?

Hon. Mr. KING: With leave of the Senate, I move that this Bill be now read the third time.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

WAR APPROPRIATION BILL No. 1 FIRST READING

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill 45, an Act for granting to His Majesty Aid for National Defence and Security.

The Bill was read the first time.

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SECOND READING

The Hon. the SPEAKER: When shall this Bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. KING: With leave of the Senate, I move that the Bill be now read the second time.

This Bill relates to war and war expenditures. It is proposed that out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund there may be paid a sum not exceeding \$500,000,000, subject to allotment by the Treasury Board, towards defraying any expenses or making any advances or loans that may be incurred or granted by or under the authority of the Governor in Council during the year ending the 31st of March, 1943, for the purposes and subject to the terms, conditions and limitations set out in the resolution to provide that sums not exceeding \$2,000,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, which resolution was referred to Committee of the Whole in the other House on the 17th of March, 1942, and being one-fourth of the said amount of \$2,000,000,000. Ordinarily a supplementary supply bill asks for one-fifth or onesixth of the total supply for the year, but in this case, as the money is required for war purposes, the Government finds it essential to ask for one-fourth of the total.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. KING, with leave of the Senate, moved the third reading of the Bill.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Hon. Mr. DONNELLY: Can the honourable acting leader tell us if we may expect any other bills this afternoon?

Hon. Mr. KING: I do not think so.

Hon. A. L. BEAUBIEN: Is it expected that the Wheat Board Bill will reach us to-day?

Hon. Mr. KING: I was informed before coming into the Chamber that it may not reach us.

EASTER ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Hon. Mr. KING: With reference to the Easter adjournment, I may say that I have been in consultation with the Prime Minister's office this afternoon. I now move that when