

THE SENATE

Monday, August 29, 1966

The Senate met at 8 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

NEW SENATORS

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the Clerk has received certificates from the Secretary of State of Canada showing that the following persons, respectively, have been summoned to the Senate:

Hon. Alan Aylesworth Macnaughton, P.C.
Paul Desruisseaux, Esquire
James Duggan, Esquire
Thomas Joseph Kickham, Esquire.

NEW SENATORS INTRODUCED

The Hon. the Speaker having informed the Senate that there were senators without, waiting to be introduced:

The following honourable senators were introduced; presented Her Majesty's writs of summons, which were read by the Clerk; took the legally prescribed oath, which was administered by the Clerk, and were seated.

Hon. Alan Aylesworth Macnaughton, P.C., of Westmount, Quebec, introduced between Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) and Hon. Mr. Hugessen.

Hon. Paul Desruisseaux, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, introduced between Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) and Hon. Mr. Vaillancourt.

Hon. James Duggan, of St. John's, Newfoundland, introduced between Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) and Hon. Mr. Basha.

Hon. Thomas Joseph Kickham, of Souris, Prince Edward Island, introduced between Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) and Hon. Mrs. Inman.

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that each of the honourable senators named above had made and subscribed the declaration of qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed to receive and witness the said declaration.

EMERGENCY SITTINGS

Hon. John J. Connolly: Honourable senators, it is most gratifying but not surprising that there should be so many honourable senators present this evening. I think we can take judicial, if not senatorial, notice of the fact that there is in this country a serious national emergency; and I would expect nothing less than a general as well as a generous response from the members of the Senate in this emergency.

While it would be quite improper to anticipate any legislation, I should inform honourable senators that an effort has been made to provide them with the legislation which is being considered in the other place. Each senator entering the chamber this evening was given a copy of a piece of legislation which may reach us at any time. In any event, copies are available here this evening.

Tomorrow morning, honourable senators will receive in their boxes not only copies of the legislation to which I obviously refer but also another piece of legislation which was introduced in the other place. It may not come to us at a very early date; nonetheless, it will be of interest to honourable senators.

I make this announcement so that honourable senators will be aware of the fact that this material is available now.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. John J. Connolly tabled:

Report of the number and amount of Loans to Indians made under section 69(1) of the Indian Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1966, pursuant to section 69(6) of the said Act, chapter 149, R.S.C., 1952. (English and French texts).

Revised Capital Budget of the Farm Credit Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1967, pursuant to section 80(2) of the Financial Administration Act, chapter 116, R.S.C., 1952, and a copy of Order in Council P.C. 1966-1297, dated July 12, 1966, approving same. (English and French texts).

Report on the Administration of the Small Businesses Loans Act for the year ended December 31, 1965, pursuant to section 11 of the said Act, chapter 5, Statutes of Canada, 1960-61. (English and French texts).

Report of a Loan made August 4, 1966, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to The St. Lawrence Seaway Authority,