

Radio Broadcasting

Mr. STEWART: I believe the minister left one item open.

Mr. CARDIN: Yes, item 17.

Mr. STEWART: I see no reason why that item should not be passed.

Public Buildings

Rents, Repairs, Furniture, Heating, Etc.

Ottawa public buildings and grounds—elevator attendants, \$124,000.

Departments generally—char service, including \$150 for firing noon gun, \$489,000.

Heating, including salaries of engineers, firemen and watchmen, \$408,000.

Light and power, including roads and bridges, \$204,000.

Repairs, improvements, additions and maintenance, \$360,000.

Rideau Hall—allowance for fuel and light, \$19,000.

Rideau Hall—improvements, furniture and maintenance, \$42,000.

Telephone service, \$93,000.

Water, \$67,000.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall the item carry?

Item agreed to.

Progress reported.

It being ten minutes after eleven o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.

Friday, April 2, 1937

The house met at eleven o'clock.

RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Fifth and final report of the standing committee on railways and shipping.—Sir Eugene Fiset.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF DEBATES

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved:

That the recommendation submitted by the Civil Service Commission under section 12 of the Civil Service Act for the change in the compensation of the editor of French debates and chief of French reporting staff, laid on the table of the house on Monday, March 29, 1937, be approved.

Mr. BENNETT: Perhaps the Prime Minister will explain this.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: The title of this position was changed by resolution of the house in the session of 1929 from associate editor of debates and reporter (French) to editor of French debates and chief of French reporting staff. The civil service commission has classified the position at the salary mentioned in the report laid on the table of the house. This classification involves an increase of \$180.

Motion agreed to.

[Mr. Cardin.]

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved:

That the recommendation submitted by the joint librarians of parliament for a change in the organization of the staff of the library, laid on the table of the house on Thursday, April 1, 1937, be approved.

Motion agreed to.

SEED GRAIN

GUARANTEE OF LOANS FOR PURCHASE OF SEED AND OTHER ASSISTANCE IN SEEDING OPERATIONS IN WESTERN PROVINCES

Hon. CHARLES A. DUNNING (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following proposed resolution:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure to authorize the guarantee by the government of Canada of principal and interest of loans made by chartered banks and guaranteed by the provinces of Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, respectively, for the purchase of seed grain and for providing other assistance to farmers in connection with seeding operations during the spring of 1937; such loans not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$1,600,000 in respect of Alberta, \$750,000 in respect of Manitoba, and \$6,600,000 in respect of Saskatchewan.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the favourable consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

RADIO BROADCASTING

ADDRESS BY MR. GLADSTONE MURRAY AS REPORTED IN THE PRESS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. T. L. CHURCH (Broadview): I wish to ask a question based on an article in the Montreal Gazette of March 23, in which it is reported that Major Gladstone Murray said:

There is a very important development connected with public service broadcasting in Canada, and the whole of Canada must realize that we have two parent languages. We must be ready and willing, and we should be anxious to accept the heritage of these parent languages with their storehouses of literature and history. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation is pledged to make Canada bilingual, to eliminate all these differences of opinion.

I should like to ask the government whether that is the policy of the government, and was the head of the commission speaking for the government. The other day I got no reply but "no." The extract from a newspaper article in the question as drafted had been struck out.