

## ADJOURNMENT—BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: Honourable senators, the important Bill I was expecting this evening is still lingering in Committee of the Whole elsewhere. I have already moved that when the Senate adjourns this evening it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock. This motion has been carried. I now move the adjournment of the Senate.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: From what I hear, the Commons cannot be expected to get through to-morrow. If that is so, we may as well come back on Monday.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I have inquired of one who follows the movements of the House of Commons fairly well, and I am informed that it is hoped the Bill will be passed before midnight. I think that is the only piece of legislation that would come to us.

Hon. Mr. CALDER: Midnight to-night?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Midnight to-night. The House of Commons sat past midnight last night. If we had the Bill at eleven o'clock to-morrow morning, the hopes of those who think we may prorogue to-morrow would be somewhat strengthened. At all events, we shall meet at eleven o'clock.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a.m.

## THE SENATE

Saturday, August 3, 1940.

The Senate met at 11 a.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

### ADJOURNMENT OF PARLIAMENT

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: Honourable senators, before we enter upon any discussion which may last for some time, I hasten to inform the Senate of a notice of motion by the Prime Minister, which is now in the hands of the Honourable Speaker of the other House, reading as follows:

That this House, on the completion of the business for which it was specially summoned, do adjourn till Tuesday, November 5, 1940, at three o'clock p.m., provided always that if it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, after consultation with His Majesty's Government, that the public interest requires that

the House should meet at any earlier time during the adjournment, Mr. Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied, and thereupon the House shall meet at such time as the Speaker may give in such notice, and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time.

Honourable members will see that this motion is along the line of one passed by the Senate on June 5, providing that in case of emergency arising during any adjournment this session His Honour the Speaker may call senators to meet in advance of the date set. If the motion I have just read is adopted by the House of Commons, I shall move at the conclusion of our business that we adjourn until November 5, subject to recall at an earlier date under the authorization in our motion of June 5.

### COMPENSATION (DEFENCE) BILL

#### THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved the third reading of Bill 123, an Act respecting the payment of compensation for the taking of certain property for war purposes.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: I have gone through the Bill and am quite content that it should pass. Its variations from the British Act are very slight.

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

### SUDETEN GERMAN SETTLERS

#### STATEMENT

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, as there is no further business, I move that the Senate adjourn during pleasure, to re-convene at three o'clock this afternoon.

Before the motion is put, I should like to refer to a statement the honourable gentleman from Saskatchewan North (Hon. Mr. Horner) made yesterday concerning the Sudeten German community near St. Walburg.

The Minister at the head of the Immigration Department, Hon. Mr. Crerar, has informed me that two groups of Sudeten immigrants, numbering about fifteen hundred persons, reached Canada fifteen or eighteen months ago. One group settled at Tupper, in British Columbia, and the other near St. Walburg, in Saskatchewan. Transportation and settlement of these people were arranged by the Colonization Departments of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways, whose officers are still keeping in touch with them.