

An Act to amend the War Service Grants Act, 1944.

An Act respecting allowances for war veterans and dependents.

An Act respecting veterans of forces allied with Canada.

An Act respecting benefits to certain persons who were recruited in Canada by United Kingdom authorities for special duties in war areas.

An Act respecting compensation for merchant seamen.

An Act respecting benefits to fire fighters who served in the United Kingdom.

An Act respecting benefits to certain supervisors in the auxiliary services.

An Act to provide for the reinstatement in civil employment of discharged members of His Majesty's forces and other designated classes of persons.

An Act respecting war crimes.

An Act respecting the Toronto Harbour Commissioners.

An Act to amend the Excise Act, 1934.

An Act to amend the Combines Investigation Act.

An Act respecting loans to veterans to assist in their establishment in business or professionally.

An Act respecting the Army and Navy Veterans in Canada.

An Act respecting Workers Benevolent Association of Canada.

An Act respecting judges of dominion and provincial Courts.

An Act respecting the construction of a line of railway by Canadian National Railway Company from Barraute to Kiask Falls on the Bell river, in the province of Quebec.

An Act to authorize the provision of moneys to meet certain capital expenditures made and capital indebtedness incurred by the Canadian National Railways system during the calendar year 1946, and to authorize the guarantee by His Majesty of certain securities to be issued by the Canadian National Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Dominion Succession Duty Act.

An Act to amend the National Emergency Transitional Powers Act, 1945.

An Act to amend the Income War Tax Act.

An Act respecting the control of the acquisition and disposition of foreign currency and the control of transactions involving foreign currency or non-residents.

An Act to establish the Canadian Commercial Corporation.

An Act to amend the Excess Profits Tax Act, 1940.

An Act to amend the Special War Revenue Act.

An Act to amend the Militia Pension Act.

To these bills the royal assent was pronounced by the Clerk of the Senate in the following words:

In His Majesty's name the Honourable the Deputy Governor General doth assent to these bills.

Then the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons addressed the Honourable the Deputy Governor General as follows:

May it please Your Honour:

The Commons of Canada have voted supplies required to enable the government to defray certain expenses of the public service.

In the name of the commons, I present to Your Honour the following bill:

An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1947.

To which bill I humbly request Your Honour's assent.

To this bill the Clerk of the Senate, by command of the Honourable the Deputy Governor General did thereupon say:

In His Majesty's name, the Honourable the Deputy Governor General thanks his loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this bill.

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH

After which the Honourable the Deputy Governor General was pleased to close the second session of the twentieth parliament of the Dominion of Canada with the following speech:

Honourable Members of the Senate,

Members of the House of Commons:

A year has passed since hostilities ceased with the surrender of Japan. The world is but slowly emerging from the turmoil and ravages of war. The domestic problems of individual nations have become inseparably linked with the problems of all nations.

Of international problems, the world shortage of food has caused the greatest immediate concern. It is a source of gratification to the people of Canada to know that our country has provided over one-fifth of the supply of food to relieve the greatest famine in human history. The government has continued to give practical expression to the wholehearted desire of the Canadian people to relieve human suffering and to contribute to international tranquility.

My ministers are continuing their efforts to restore and expand peace-time markets for the surplus production of our country. In the period of transition, exports to our war-time allies have been financed in part by credits voted by parliament. In accordance with this policy, you have approved a financial agreement with the United Kingdom and made a further amendment to the Export Credit Insurance Act.

A bountiful crop, which will help in meeting the demand for food, now seems assured. An agreement has been made with the United Kingdom for the marketing of our wheat. The wheat agreement, with agreements for the marketing of other foodstuffs already in operation, will greatly assist the government in its policy of maintaining stable prices for agricultural products.

The demand, both at home and abroad, for Canadian manufactures has never been greater. Production at a high level is required both to meet this demand and to check inflationary pressure on prices.

The war-time battle against inflation has been continued with substantial success through the period of transition. Despite gradual measures of decontrol, and a shift to a selective price ceiling, the rise of prices has been held well