MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, February 17, 1955.

The Special Committee on Estimates met at 10.30 o'clock a.m. for organization purposes.

Members present: Messrs. Benidickson, Byrne, Cameron (Nanaimo), Cannon, Churchill, Deschatelets, Dupuis, Fleming, Garland, Hellyer, Henry, Jutras, Lafontaine, McLeod, Michener, Monteith, Stuart (Charlotte), Tucker, and Yuill—19.

Mr. Hellyer moved, seconded by Mr. Lafontaine,-

That Mr. Walter A. Tucker be Chairman of this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Fleming,

Resolved,—That nominations for Chairman be now closed.

Mr. Tucker assumed the Chair, thanked the Committee for the honour conferred on him, and referred briefly to the proposed activities of the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Cannon,

Resolved,—That permission be sought to print, from day to day, 750 copies in English and 250 copies in French of the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence.

On motion of Mr. Jutras,

Resolved,—That the Committee request permission to sit while the House is sitting.

On motion of Mr. Garland.

Resolved.—That a recommendation be made to the House to reduce the quorum from 14 members to 10 members.

Mr. Fleming moved, seconded by Mr. Cameron (Nanaimo),

"That this Committee recommend to the House that it be empowered to

send for persons, papers and records".

After discussion, the motion was negatived on the following recorded division: Yeas: Messrs. Cameron (Nanaimo), Churchill, Fleming, McLeod, Michener, Monteith, Yuill-7.

Nays: Messrs. Benidickson, Byrne, Cannon, Deschatelets, Dupuis, Garland,

Hellyer, Henry, Jutras, Lafontaine, Stuart (Charlotte)-11.

On motion of Mr. Cannon,

Ordered,-That the Chairman report to the House, seeking such powers as the Committee has recommended.

On motion of Mr. Stuart (Charlotte), the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

THURSDAY, February 24, 1955.

The Special Committee on Estimates met at 10.30 o'clock a.m. The Chairman, Mr. Walter A. Tucker, presided.

Members present: Messrs. Byrne, Cameron (Nanaimo), Cannon, Deschatelets, Fulton, Garland, Hellyer, Henry, Jutras, Lafontaine, MacEachen, McLeod, Michener, Monteith, Nesbitt, Power (St. John's West), Starr, Stuart (Charlotte), Thatcher, Tucker, and Yuill.