

CANADIAN NATIONAL AUDITORS

REPLY TO INQUIRY

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, on Thursday last the right honour-

able leader on the other side (Right Hon. Mr. Meighen) asked me what amounts had been paid to the auditors of the Canadian National Railways in addition to their fees. The figures are as follows:

As Canadian National Auditors:	Fees	Out-of-pocket expenses
1930—Geo. A. Touche & Company.. . . .	\$50,000	\$3,175 42
1931—“ “ “ “	50,000	3,162 84
1932—“ “ “ “	50,000	2,940 60
1933—“ “ “ “	50,000	3,279 59
As Government Auditors:		
1934—Geo. A. Touche & Company.. . . .	50,000	4,617 80
1935—Clarkson, Gordon, Dilworth & Nash.	50,000	4,246 47

The right honourable gentleman also asked me to try to get the corresponding audit costs of the Canadian Pacific. The Department of Railways and Canals has not these figures, and I am informed that it is not the practice to ask that company for information which is not given either in its annual reports or its statements to the Transportation Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

PROROGATION

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, the House of Commons may finish its labours some time during the night or early morning, but it is impossible to state exactly the hour. I therefore move that when the Senate adjourns this evening it stand adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The motion was agreed to.

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

THE SENATE

Tuesday, June 23, 1936.

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

Prayers and routine proceedings.

PROROGATION

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: Honourable members, inasmuch as there is nothing on the Order Paper, I move that the Senate adjourn during pleasure, to reconvene at noon. By that time we shall be better informed as to what progress the other House has made; but my impression is we shall most probably adjourn again until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, in the hope that prorogation will take place then.

Hon. Mr. TANNER: There is a very important matter on the Order Paper—the motion of the honourable senator from Rigaud (Hon. Mr. Sauvé).

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: It appears in my name, but I think it was adjourned to the 24th.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the sitting was resumed.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, when we met earlier this morning I moved that the Senate adjourn until noon, and asked honourable gentlemen to wait, that I might see. I have seen, and I now move that the Senate adjourn to 3 o'clock this afternoon. I do so without—

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: Any hope.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND:—any promise that this will be the last adjournment.

The Senate adjourned until 3 p.m.

The Senate resumed at 3 p.m.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, I am informed there is a possibility that the Supply Bill may come over to us shortly. As soon as it is received the bell will be rung. I move that in the meantime the Senate adjourn during pleasure.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the sitting was resumed.

APPROPRIATION BILL NO. 6

FIRST READING

A message was received from the House of Commons with Bill 115, an Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial years ending respectively the 31st March, 1936, and the 31st March, 1937.

The Bill was read the first time.