

QUEBEC SAVINGS BANKS BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. W. Ross Macdonald presented Bill Q-1, an Act to amend the Quebec Savings Banks Act.

The bill was read the first time.

The Hon. the Acting Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: With leave, next sitting.

WINDSOR HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. W. Ross Macdonald presented Bill R-1, an Act to incorporate the Windsor Harbour Commissioners.

The bill was read the first time.

The Hon. the Acting Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: With leave of the Senate, next sitting.

LAND USE

NOTICE OF MOTION TO APPOINT SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Honourable senators will recall that the subject of land use in Canada is referred to in the Speech from the Throne, and with their consent I would suggest consideration of this question should be the first order of business for tomorrow. I make this proposal subject, however, to the possibility that the financial bill to cover the supplementary estimates will be received by us tomorrow, and in that event, that the house would wish to consider it at once. Could we agree that if that bill should come from the other house the Senate should take it into consideration as the first order of business and, having disposed of it, consider the motion with respect to the use of land in Canada? If the supply bill has not been received when we meet tomorrow, the motion I refer to could receive first consideration.

Hon. Mr. Haig: As far as I personally am concerned and, I believe, as far as our group is concerned, we would prefer, if it be possible, to consider the financial bill first.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: I am in agreement with that.

Hon. Mr. Crerar: Will the motion to set up a committee specify the subject-matter into which the committee is expected to inquire?

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: I will read the motion. It is as follows:

1. That a Special Committee of the Senate be appointed to consider and report on land use in Canada and what should be done to ensure that our land resources are most effectively utilized for the benefit of the Canadian economy and the Canadian people, and, in particular, to increase both agricultural production and the incomes of those engaged in it;

2. That the said committee be composed of the Honourable Senators Baird, Barbour, Boucher, Bois, Bradette, Cameron, Crerar, Golding, Hawkins, Horner, Inman, Leonard, MacDonald, McGrand, Molson, Petten, Power, Smith (Kamloops), Stambaugh, Taylor (Norfolk), Taylor (Westmorland), Tremblay, Turgeon, Vaillancourt and Wall.

3. That the committee have power to engage the services of such counsel and technical and clerical personnel as may be necessary for the purpose of the inquiry.

4. That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records; to sit during sittings and adjournments of the Senate, and to report from time to time.

DIVORCE BILLS

THIRD READINGS

Hon. Mr. Roebuck moved the third reading of the following bills:

Bill K, an Act for the relief of Dorothy Amelia Ashmore MacDonald.

Bill L, an Act for the relief of Dorothy Frances Auger DeJacobis.

Bill M, an Act for the relief of Patricia Jean Jones Robinson.

Bill N, an Act for the relief of Gwendoline Stedman Adrain.

Bill O, an Act for the relief of Joyce Bernice Good Taylor.

Bill P, an Act for the relief of Jessie Pearce Meti.

Bill Q, an Act for the relief of Maud Lenore Wheeler Lanctot.

Bill R, an Act for the relief of Patricia Anne Wylie Houstoun Patience.

The motion was agreed to, and the bills were read the third time, and passed, on division.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

**MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY—
DEBATE CONTINUED**

The Senate resumed from Thursday, January 24, consideration of His Excellency the Governor General's Speech at the opening of the session and the motion of Hon. Mr. Bois, seconded by Hon. Mr. Smith (Kamloops), for an Address in reply thereto.

Hon. Donald Cameron: Honourable senators,—

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. Cameron:—in beginning the remarks I wish to make this evening I should like to add my compliments to those which