THE SENATE

Wednesday, November 18, 1964

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

NEW SENATOR

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that the Clerk had received a certificate from the Secretary of State of Canada showing that John Black Aird, Esquire, had been summoned to the Senate.

NEW SENATOR INTRODUCED

The Hon. the Speaker having informed the Senate that there was a senator without, waiting to be introduced:

The following honourable senator was introduced; presented Her Majesty's writ of summons, which was read by the Clerk Assistant; took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk, and was seated:

Hon. John Black Aird, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, introduced between Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) and Hon. Mr. Hayden.

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that the honourable senator named above had made and subscribed the declaration of qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed to receive and witness the said declaration.

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF JOINT ADDRESS FOLLOWING VISIT

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the following message has been received from Her Majesty the Queen:

I have received with heartfelt pleasure the Joint Address which the Senate and the House of Commons of Canada have sent me.

It has been a source of profound satisfaction to me and to my husband to be in Canada during the Centennial Celebrations of the first meetings of the Fathers of Confederation at Charlottetown and Quebec City.

We both deeply appreciate the kind and loyal sentiments which you have expressed and we send you our sincere good wishes.

Elizabeth R.

30th October, 1964.

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CANADA PENSION PLAN BILL

MESSAGE FROM COMMONS PROPOSING APPOINTMENT OF JOINT COMMITTEE

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the following message has been received from the House of Commons:

Resolved: That a joint committee of the Senate and House of Commons be appointed to consider Bill C-136, to establish a comprehensive program of old age pensions and supplementary benefits in Canada payable to and in respect of contributors;

That twenty-four members of the House of Commons, to be designated by the House at a later date, be members of the joint committee, and that Standing Order 67(1) of the House of Commons be suspended in relation thereto;

That the said committee have power to call for persons, papers and records and examine witnesses; and to report from time to time and print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the committee and that Standing Order 66 be suspended in relation thereto; and

Ordered: That a Message be sent to the Senate requesting that House to unite with this House for the above purpose, and to select, if the Senate deems it advisable, some of its members to act on the proposed joint committee.

Attest

Léon-J. Raymond

The Clerk of the House of Commons.

Honourable senators, when shall this message be taken into consideration?

Hon. John J. Connolly: With leave of the Senate, I move that the message be taken into consideration now.

Motion agreed to.

MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SENATE MEMBERS OF JOINT COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West), with leave of the Senate, moved:

That the Senate do unite with the House of Commons in the appointment of a joint committee of both houses of Parliament to consider Bill C-136, intituled: "An Act to establish a comprehensive program of old age pensions and supplementary benefits in Canada payable to and in respect of contributors";

That twelve members of the Senate be designated by the Senate at a later date to be members of the joint committee;