

Hon. Mr. Isnor: Could the honourable Leader of the Government tell us whether there is any provision in the agreement which would provide energy to private companies, other than the two mentioned, such as the grid line in other parts of Canada?

Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West): At the moment I cannot answer that question. If after the summary and report are made available to honourable senators there are further questions to which I can provide answers, I would be happy to do so.

BLUE WATER BRIDGE AUTHORITY BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) presented Bill S-4, respecting the International Bridge over the St. Clair River known as the Blue Water Bridge.

Bill read first time.

Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) moved, with leave of the Senate, that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting.

Motion agreed to.

PRIVATE BILL

THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE CANADIAN BRANCH OF THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION—FIRST READING

Hon. John J. Kinley presented Bill S-5, respecting The General Council of the Canadian Branch of the St. John Ambulance Association.

Bill read first time.

Hon. Mr. Kinley moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading on Tuesday next.

Motion agreed to.

DIVORCE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Arthur W. Roebuck, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Divorce, presented the committee's first report:

Your committee recommend:

1. That they be granted leave to sit during adjournments of the Senate, and also during sittings of the Senate.

2. That they be granted authority to appoint as many subcommittees as deemed necessary for the purpose of considering such divorce matters as may be referred to them by the committee and to set the

quorum thereof, the subcommittee in each case to report their findings to the committee.

Hon. Mr. Roebuck moved that the report be placed on the Orders of the Day for consideration at the next sitting.

Motion agreed to.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

VISIT TO OTTAWA OF BLOOD TRIBE DELEGATION

Hon. James Gladstone: Honourable senators, I would like to inform the Senate that the Chief of my own Reserve and three of his councillors have been visiting Ottawa for the past three days as delegates at a meeting to consider various problems. I would have liked to have them present in the gallery this afternoon, but they are leaving on the afternoon train for home to attend to urgent business of their own. They have received kind consideration from the former and present Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, whose department deals with Indian Affairs. I believe the delegates are going home very happy with the meetings they have had, not only with the minister but with the officials of the Indian Affairs Branch.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY—DEBATE CONTINUED

The Senate resumed from yesterday consideration of His Excellency the Governor General's speech at the opening of the session, and the motion of Hon. Mr. Cook, seconded by Hon. Mr. Denis, for an address in reply thereto.

Hon. A. J. Brooks: Honourable senators, I am sure we were all pleased to have the report from Senator Gladstone concerning the distinguished group who have been attending Parliament and visiting the officials of the Government. We regret very much that they are not now in the gallery so that we could welcome them. In saying this I know I am speaking also for the honourable Leader of the Senate.

Honourable senators, we have now entered on another session of Parliament, one which I am sure we all hope will be more fruitful and productive than the past two sessions have been. The last session of Parliament was a long one but, unfortunately, like the previous session, it closed leaving long lists of unfinished but necessary legislation. I am