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On motion of Mr. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Martin (Essex East), a Special Committee was appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Standing Committees of this House; the said Committee to be composed of Messrs. Churchill, Favreau, Grégoire, Knowles, Leboe, Walker, and Winkler, and the provisions of Standing Order 65(1) suspended in relation to the number of members thereon.

On motion of Mr. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Martin (Essex East), Herman Maxwell Batten, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Humber-St. George's, was appointed Deputy Chairman of Committees of the Whole House.

Returns and Reports Deposited with the Clerk of the House

The following papers having been deposited with the Clerk of the House were laid upon the Table pursuant to Standing Order 40, namely:

By Mr. Speaker,-Report of the Proceedings of the Commissioners of Internal Economy of the House of Commons, for the period May 16, 1963, to February 17, 1964, pursuant to Standing Order 81. (English and French).

By Mr. Speaker,-Report of the Parliamentary Librarian, pursuant to section 2 of the Regulations respecting the Library of Parliament (English and French), which is as follows:

To the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons:

The Parliamentary Librarian has the honour to submit his report for the last nine months. The last report was presented to both Houses on May 15, 1963.

The Joint Committee met once during the last session, on July 31st, to review Library matters.

The publication of the "Selected Additions List" was continued for the benefit of Senators and Members.

From May 1st, 1963 to January 31, 1964, our staff answered 3,583 reference questions and circulated 20,349 books and periodicals. During the same period, 9,904 volumes were catalogued and classified, which brings to 202,328 the number of volumes recatalogued since the fire of 1952.

The Parliamentary Librarian and the Associate Parliamentary Librarian spent two days in Washington studying the operation of the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress. They were cordially received by their American colleagues who gave valuable information on the kind of assistance their Service provides to Congressmen. The Parliamentary Librarian usefully visited the Legislative Libraries in Edmonton and Winnipeg.

On January 16, Miss Simone Chiasson, Head Librarian of the Department of Trade and Commerce, was appointed Chief Reference Librarian in replacement of Mr. T. E. Monette, who continues to serve the Library as Senior Library Consultant. Two other appointees to our Reference Department are Mrs. Zora Zink and Mr. René Rozon.

We have lent one of our reference librarians, Miss Olive Gouthreau, to the Economic Council of Canada, for a period of four months, to assist in the establishment of its own library.