

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, February 19, 1959.

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The Standing Committee on Mines, Forests and Waters met at 10.00 o'clock a.m. this day, the Chairman, Mr. J. W. Murphy, presiding.

*Members present:* Messrs: Aiken, Coates, Doucett, Drouin, Dumas, Granger, Gundlock, Hardie, Kindt, Korchinski, Latour, MacInnis, MacRae, Martin (*Timmins*), McFarlane, McGregor, Mitchell, Murphy, Nielsen, Robichaud, Simpson, Slogan and Stearns—(23).

*In attendance, from the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys:* The Honourable Paul Comtois, Minister; Mr. Raymond Grenier, Private Secretary to the Minister; Dr. Marc Boyer, Deputy Minister; Dr. W. E. van Steenburgh, Director-General of Scientific Services; Dr. J. M. Harrison, Director, Geological Survey of Canada; Mr. A. Ignatieff, Acting Director, Mines Branch; Mr. S. G. Gamble, Director of Surveys and Mapping Branch; Dr. C. S. Beals, Dominion Astronomer, Dominion Observatory; Dr. N. L. Nicholson, Director, Geographical Branch; Mr. W. K. Buck, Chief, Mineral Resources Division; Mr. K. M. Pack, Chief Administrative Officer; Mr. R. B. Code, Chief, Personnel and Office Services Division; Mr. G. H. Murray, Chief, Editorial and Information Division; and Mr. H. P. Kimbell, Chief, Explosives Division.

The Chairman presented the Second Report of the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, as follows:

"Your Subcommittee recommends that the Main Committee meet at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays until it is decided otherwise".

The said report of the Subcommittee was concurred in, on motion of Mr. Slogan, seconded by Mr. McGregor.

The Committee proceeded to its consideration of the 1959-60 estimates of the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys.

The Chairman stated that Dr. J. M. Harrison, Director, Geological Surveys of Canada, was due to leave Ottawa on duty later this day for an extended trip. Accordingly the Committee agreed that Items 186 to 199 inclusive of the department's estimates stand.

Items 200 and 201 concerning the Geological Survey of Canada were called and considered. Dr. Harrison was questioned at length thereon. The Minister and the Deputy Minister answered certain questions which were specifically directed or referred to them.

On motion of Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Stearns, Items 200 and 201 were approved.

At 11.45 o'clock a.m. the meeting adjourned until 10.00 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, February 24, 1959.

Eric H. Jones,  
*Clerk of the Committee.*