40. Grants, contributions, subsidies and other payments as detailed in the estimates, Canada's share of the cost of the international radio, telephone and telegraph organizations listed in the details of the estimates and Canada's assessment for membership in the world meteorological organization, \$3,493,200.

B-Air transport board-

- 50. Salaries and other expenses, \$1,000,000.
- 52. Payment of operating subsidies as approved by the treasury board to regional air carriers, \$3,000,000.
- C—Board of transport commissioners for Canada—55. Administration, operation and maintenance, \$1,833,300.
- 57. Amount to be credited to the railway grade crossing fund, in addition to the amount to be credited to the fund under the Railway Act in the current fiscal year, for the general purposes of the fund and, notwithstanding section 30 of the Financial Administration Act, to authorize the making of commitments totalling \$43,967,000 (in addition to any commitments in respect of which amounts are appropriated under this or any other act) in the current and subsequent fiscal years, \$10,000,000.

D-Canadian maritime commission-

- 60. Administration of the commission and the degaussing of Canada government ships and Canadian-owned merchant ships of 3,000 gross tons to 20,000 gross tons, of Canadian registry or of United Kingdom registry if subject to re-transfer to Canadian registry under special inter-governmental arrangement, \$405,000.
- 65. Steamship subventions for coastal services, as detailed in the estimates, \$9,727,000.

E-National harbours board-

- 70. Payments to national harbours board, subject to the provisions of section 29 of the National Harbours Board Act, to meet reconstruction and capital expenditures during the calendar year 1967 as detailed in the estimates, \$5,880,000.
- 75. Payment to the national harbours board to be applied in payment of the deficit (exclusive of interest on advances authorized by parliament and depreciation on capital structures) expected to be incurred in the calendar year 1967 in the operation of the Jacques Cartier bridge, Montreal harbour, \$473,600.

F-St. Lawrence seaway authority-

- 80. Operating deficit and capital requirements of canals and works entrusted to the St. Lawrence seaway authority with the approval of the governor in council, and to authorize, notwithstanding the Financial Administration Act or any other act, the disbursement by the authority of revenue derived from the operation and management of such canals and works, \$2,370,000.
- 85. Payment to the St. Lawrence seaway authority, upon application approved by the Minister of Transport, made by the authority to the Minister of Finance, to reimburse the authority in respect of the Welland canal deficit incurred by the authority during the calendar year 1967, \$9,925,000.

G-Atlantic development board-

90. Administration and operation, \$2,663,000.

Ways and Means

Canadian overseas telecommunication corporation-

L100. Loan to the Canadian overseas telecommunication corporation in accordance with section 14 of the Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation Act for additions and betterments to facilities, \$6,600,000.

National harbours board-

L105. Advances to national harbours board, subject to the provisions of section 29 of the National Harbours Board Act, to meet expenditures applicable to the calendar year 1967 on any or all of the following accounts: reconstruction and capital expenditures—

Belledune	.\$ 3,300,000
Trois Rivieres	. 531,000
Montreal	. 16,708,000
Vancouver	. 16,788,000
	37.327.000

Less—Amount to be expended from replacement and other funds .. 6,531,000

St. Lawrence seaway authority-

L110. Loans to the St. Lawrence seaway authority in such manner and subject to such terms and conditions as the governor in council may approve, \$45.500.000.

Resolutions adopted in committee of supply this day reported and concurred in.

WAYS AND MEANS

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of National Revenue and President of the Treasury Board) moved that the house go into committee of ways and means.

Motion agreed to and the house went into committee, Mr. Batten in the chair.

Mr. Benson moved:

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 1968, the sum of \$2,450,967,350.24 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Mr. Bell (Carleton): Mr. Chairman, before the resolution is agreed to—

The Chairman: Order, please. I doubt there can be any debate at this particular time.

Mr. Bell (Carleton): With great respect, Mr. Chairman, we have a right to comment in the committee of ways and means, and I only want to put one simple question to the President of the Treasury Board. I wish to ask him whether he would facilitate proceedings by agreeing to increase the amount by only a small amount in order to provide increases for retired civil servants.