

THE SENATE

Tuesday, September 20, 1949

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

Prayers and routine proceedings.

EXCHEQUER COURT BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson presented Bill B, an Act to amend the Exchequer Court Act.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Mr. Robertson presented Bill C, an Act to amend the Department of Justice Act.

The bill was read the first time.

COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

MOTION OF APPOINTMENT

Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson moved:

That pursuant to Rule 77 the following senators, to wit: The Honourable Senators Aseltine, Ballantyne, Buchanan, Copp, Haig, Howard, Moraud, Sinclair, and the mover, be appointed a Committee of Selection to nominate senators to serve on the several standing committees during the present session; and to report with all convenient speed the names of the senators so nominated.

He said: I would ask the indulgence of the house in order that this motion may receive unanimous consent and be passed today. If this is done, the Committee of Selection can meet tomorrow morning, and it is hoped that its report will be available tomorrow afternoon. It could then stand till Thursday, when, if the house approves, organization meetings could be held in the afternoon. By way of explanation I should say that I shall be unavoidably absent next week, and I am anxious that the committees be established before we adjourn at the end of this week.

The motion was agreed to.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson: Honourable senators, I beg to lay on the table certain documents, with a list of the same which will appear in the Minutes and Proceedings of the Senate tomorrow. I realize, of course, that honourable senators will wish to see the contents, but as there are some thirty-four or thirty-five items, perhaps they will excuse me if I refrain from reading them in detail and place the list on record.

The list of documents tabled is as follows:

1. Annual return of permits issued during the period January 1, 1949, to August 31, 1949, as required by Section 4 of the Immigration Act.

2. Regulations made by the Governor in Council under Part I of the Indian Act as provided by Section 161 of the Indian Act, Chapter 98, R.S. 1927.

3. List of all sales or leases of Indian lands cancelled during the period January 1, 1949, to August 31, 1949, as required by Section 64 of the Indian Act.

4. Regulations made by the Governor in Council, together with every order similarly made, authorizing the sale of any land or the granting of any interest therein, as required by Section 75 of the Dominion Lands Act, Chapter 113, R.S. 1927.

5. Copies of regulations established by Orders in Council passed between the 27th day of January, 1949 and the 15th day of September, 1949, under the provisions of the Migratory Birds Convention Act, Chapter 16, S.C. 1932-33.

6. Copies of Ordinances passed under the provisions of Section 13 of the Northwest Territories Act, Chapter 142, R.S. 1927, during the period 17th February, 1949, to 29th June, 1949.

7. Statement of adjustments respecting seed grain and relief indebtedness under an Act respecting Certain Debts Due the Crown, Section 2, Chapter 51, S.C. 1926-27.

8. Copy of The Annual Report of the Eastern Rockies Forest Conservation Board for the fiscal year 1948-49.

9. Copy of the Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Power Commission for the fiscal year 1948-49.

10. Regulations made under The Department of Veterans Affairs Act by Order in Council P.C. 2182 of the 6th July, 1949.

11. Regulations made under The Veterans' Land Act, 1942, by Orders in Council P.C. 3729 of the 10th August, 1949, and P.C. 4203 of the 24th August, 1949.

12. Statement for the fiscal year 1948-49, required by Section 38 of the Veterans' Land Act, 1942.

13. Statement for the fiscal year 1948-49, required by Section 18 of The Veterans Insurance Act.

14. Statement for the fiscal year 1948-49, required by Section 19 of the Returned Soldiers Insurance Act.

15. Regulations made by the Army Benevolent Fund Board, required by Section 12 of The Army Benevolent Fund Act, 1947.

16. Annual Report for the fiscal year 1948-49, required by Section 13 of The Army Benevolent Fund Act.

17. Orders and Regulations for the Royal Canadian Navy, published in the Canada Gazette during the period 11th of April, 1949, to 10th September, 1949, inclusive, under Section 40 of the Naval Service Act.

18. Orders and Regulations for the Canadian Army, published in the Canada Gazette during the period 11th April, 1949, to 10th September, 1949, inclusive, under Section 141 of the Militia Act.

19. Orders and Regulations for the Royal Canadian Air Force, published in the Canada Gazette during the period 11th April, 1949, to 10th September, 1949, inclusive, under Section 16, Sub-section 2 of the Royal Canadian Air Force Act.

20. One copy of the Report of the Secretary of State of Canada, for the year ended March 31, 1948, as required by Section 8 of The Department of State Act.

21. Copy of Order in Council P.C. 4639, dated 13th September, 1949, proclaiming that the Conciliation and Labour Act and the Industrial Relations and Disputes Investigation Act shall come into force in the Province of Newfoundland on the 19th day of September, 1949.

22. Report of the Director of Training for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1949, as required by Section 11 of The Vocational Training Co-ordination Act, 1942.

23. Eighth Annual Report of the Unemployment Insurance Commission for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1949.