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Bill No. 247 (Letter J-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Ursula Catherine Tetreau Black."

Bill No. 248 (Letter K-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Eleanor Edith McKechnie Martineau."

Bill No. 249 (Letter L-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Jack Wallis."

Bill No. 250 (Letter M-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Evelyn Margaret Morrison Cryer."

Bill No. 251 (Letter N-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Frances Eileen Scribner Mackay."

Bill No. 252 (Letter O-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Irene Laflamme Kattas."

And also,—A Message communicating to this House the evidence, etc., taken before the Standing Committee of the Senate on Divorce, to whom were referred the petitions on which the divorce Bills mentioned above were founded, praying for Bills of Divorce; together with the papers produced in evidence before them, with a request that the same be returned to the Senate.

Mr. Lapointe, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of National Defence, laid before the House,—Amendments to the King's Regulations for the Government of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service, in accordance with Section 40, The Naval Service Act, 1944, dated May 10, 1947.—Appendix VI, Professional Examinations for Advancement.

The following Bills, from the Senate, were respectively read the first time, and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House, viz:—

Bill No. 205 (Letter T-6 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act to amend The War Charities Act, 1939."—Mr. Martin.

Bill No. 206 (Letter C-8 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating The Canadian Council of The Girl Guides Association."— Mr. Ross (St. Paul's).

Mr. Mackenzie, for Mr. Mackenzie King, moved,—That a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament be appointed, and that Messrs. Benidickson, Breithaupt, Croll, Sinclair (Ontario), Belzile, Beaudoin, Pinard, Lesage, Marier, Rinfret, Whitman, Ilsley, Isnor, Michaud, Maybank, Mayhew, Diefenbaker, Fulton, Hackett, Harkness, Hazen, Macdonnell, (Muskoka-Ontario), Massey, Miller, Irvine, Jaenicke, Stewart (Winnipeg North), Hansell, Herridge be members of such Committee, as far as the interests of this House are concerned, to consider the question of human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the manner in which those obligations accepted by all members of the United Nations may best be implemented;

And, in particular, in the light of the provisions contained in the Charter of the United Nations, and the establishment by the Economic and Social Council thereof of a Commission on Human Rights, what is the legal and constitutional situation in Canada with respect to such rights, and what steps, if any, it would be advisable to take or to recommend for the purpose of preserving in Canada respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

That a message be sent to the Senate requesting that House to unite with this House for the above purpose, and select, if the Senate deems advisable, some of its Members to act on the said proposed Joint Committee.

And a Debate arising thereon;

At six o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, to resume the same at eight o'clock, p.m.