

# CANADA

## The Debates of the Senate

OFFICIAL REPORT

### THE SENATE

Thursday, September 6, 1945.

The Twentieth Parliament of the Dominion of Canada having been summoned by Proclamation of the Governor General to meet this day in its First Session for the dispatch of business:

The Senate met at 10.30 a.m.

#### THE SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Hon. JAMES HORACE KING, P.C., having taken the Clerk's chair, rose and said: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform you that a Commission has been issued under the Great Seal, appointing me Speaker of the Senate.

The said Commission was then read by the Clerk.

The Honourable the Speaker then took the Chair at the foot of the Throne, to which he was conducted by Hon. Mr. Robertson and Hon. Mr. Ballantyne, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod preceding.

Prayers.

#### OPENING OF THE SESSION

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that he had received a communication from the Assistant Secretary to the Governor General informing him that the Honourable Thibaudeau Rinfret, Chief Justice of Canada, in his capacity of Deputy Governor General, would proceed to the Senate Chamber to open the First Session of the Twentieth Parliament of Canada on Thursday, the 6th of September, at 11 o'clock a.m.

#### NEW SENATORS INTRODUCED

The following newly-appointed senators were severally introduced and took their seats:

Hon. Thomas Alexander Crerar, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. J. P. Molloy.

Hon. William Horace Taylor, of Scotland, Ontario, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. W. H. McGuire.

Hon. Fred William Gershaw, M.D., C.M., of Medicine Hat, Alberta, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. W. A. Buchanan.

Hon. John Power Howden, M.D., of Norwood Grove, Manitoba, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. A. L. Beaubien.

Hon. Charles Edouard Ferland, K.C., of Joliette, Quebec, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. Elie Beaugard.

Hon. Vincent Dupuis, K.C., B.C.L., of Longueuil, Quebec, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. Armand Daigle.

Hon. Charles L. Bishop, of Ottawa, Ontario, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. W. D. Euler.

Hon. John James Kinley, of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. William Duff.

Hon. Clarence Joseph Veniot, M.A., M.D., of Bathurst, New Brunswick, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. W. E. Foster.

Hon. Arthur Wentworth Roebuck, K.C., of Toronto, Ontario, introduced by Hon. Wishart McL. Robertson and Hon. G. P. Campbell.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

#### OPENING OF THE SESSION

The Honourable Thibaudeau Rinfret, Chief Justice of Canada, Deputy Governor General, having come and being seated,

The Honourable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that: "It is the Honourable the Deputy Governor General's desire that they attend him immediately in the Senate."

Who being come,

The Honourable the Speaker said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have it in command to let you know that His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Parliament of Canada, until a