

The said brief was ordered to be printed as an appendix to this day's Evidence.

Mr. McKinnon made a statement in explanation of the brief, was examined thereon and retired.

During the examination of Mr. McKinnon, Mr. Jensen answered a question specifically referred to him.

At 5.30 o'clock p.m. the Committee adjourned to meet again at 11.00 o'clock a.m., Tuesday, April 27, 1954.

TUESDAY, April 27, 1954.

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce met at 11.00 o'clock a.m. this day. Mr. David A. Croll, Chairman, presided.

*Members present:* Messrs. Balcom, Benidickson, Cannon, Crestohl, Fleming, Follwell, Fraser (*Peterborough*), Hellyer, Henderson, Hunter, Low, Johnston (*Bow River*), Macdonnell, McMillan, Michener, Noseworthy, Philpott, Pouliot, Quelch, Stewart (*Winnipeg North*), Tucker, Weaver, and Wood.

*In attendance:* The Honourable Lucien Maynard, Q.C., Attorney General of Alberta; Mr. C. F. Elderkin, Inspector General of Banks; Mr. G. K. Bouey, Assistant Chief, Research Department, Bank of Canada; Mr. T. H. Atkinson, President of The Canadian Bankers' Association and Vice-President and General Manager of The Royal Bank of Canada; Mr. Arthur C. Jensen, General Manager of the Bank of Montreal; Mr. C. S. Frost, Vice-President and General Manager of The Bank of Nova Scotia; Mr. William Kerr, General Manager of The Bank of Toronto; Mr. Neil J. McKinnon, General Manager of The Canadian Bank of Commerce; Mr. J. U. Boyer, Vice-President and General Manager of The Provincial Bank of Canada; Mr. A. C. Ashforth, Vice-President and General Manager of The Dominion Bank; Mr. John S. Proctor, General Manager of the Imperial Bank of Canada; Mr. W. T. G. Hackett, Assistant General Manager of the Bank of Montreal; Mr. C. B. Neapole, Assistant General Manager of The Royal Bank of Canada; Mr. J. D. Gibson, Assistant General Manager of The Bank of Nova Scotia; Mr. A. T. Lambert, Assistant General Manager of The Bank of Toronto; Mr. Bernard Normandin, Assistant General Manager of The Provincial Bank of Canada; Mr. J. A. Dulude, Assistant General Manager of the Banque Canadienne Nationale; Mr. J. A. Fiott, Assistant to the General Manager of The Bank of Nova Scotia.

The Committee resumed consideration of Bill No. 297, An Act to amend the Bank of Canada Act, and Bill No. 338, An Act respecting Banks and Banking.

Mr. Elderkin tabled the following document, which is to be found as an appendix to this day's Evidence:

*Exhibit No. 33:* Rates of Loss Experience on Securities, Loans and Other Investments for the Fifteen Year Periods ended in each of the Years 1944 to 1953.

The Chairman placed on the record a letter received from the Board of Control of the City of Toronto with respect to the proposal before the Committee that the Bank Act be amended to permit the Chartered Banks to secure loans by the taking of chattel mortgages.

(See Evidence)