

the Civil Service Act for the period January 1 to March 31, 1962, pursuant to section 60(2) of the said act, chapter 48, R.S.C., 1952. (English and French texts).

Report to Parliament of the Civil Service Commission on positions and persons excluded in whole or in part from the operation, under section 74, of the Civil Service Act, and appointments made without competition under section 25 of the act, for the period April 1 to August 31, 1962, pursuant to section 76(2) of the said act, chapter 57, Statutes of Canada, 1960-61. (English and French texts).

PRIVATE BILL

THE EASTERN TRUST COMPANY—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ADOPTED

Hon. Salter A. Hayden, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, reported that the committee had considered Bill S-5, respecting The Eastern Trust Company, and had directed that the bill be reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Smith (Queens-Shelburne): With leave of the Senate, I move that the bill be read the third time now.

Motion agreed to and bill read third time and passed.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

USE OF OLD CARS

Hon. A. J. Brooks: Honourable senators, on October 10 the honourable senator from De la Durantaye (Hon. Mr. Pouliot) gave notice of an inquiry with regard to certain railway rolling stock as follows:

With respect to a pullman car of the Valrose type in use by the Canadian National Railways in the Province of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces—

- (1) How old are these cars?
 - (2) When were they bought?
 - (3) From whom were they bought?
 - (4) How much was paid for them?
 - (5) Are they used west of Montreal?
- If so, where?

I now have the answer which I received from the Department of Transport.

The management of the Canadian National Railways advise as follows:

1. Total ownership—55 cars
- 32 built in period 1938 to 1940 and
- 23 built in 1948.

2. 51 Purchased in 1958 and 4 in 1959.
3. Purchased from New York Central System.
4. Average cost, \$16,000 each.
5. These cars operate in assigned service between Montreal and Toronto; Toronto and Ottawa; Winnipeg and Vancouver; Montreal and Halifax and intermediate points.

I have a copy of this answer which I shall now send to the honourable senator.

PRIVATE BILL

THE TRUSTEE BOARD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA—FIRST READING

Hon. John J. Kinley, for Hon. Mr. Paterson, presented Bill S-8, respecting The Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Bill read first time.

Hon. Mr. Kinley moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading on Wednesday next.

Motion agreed to.

HON. MARK R. DROUIN

BIRTHDAY FELICITATIONS

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, before the Orders of the Day are called, I should like to draw to your attention that today is a very important day for one of our colleagues, the honourable senator from La Salle (Hon. Mr. Drouin), who is celebrating his birthday. We all know him as my predecessor in office, and during his term as Speaker he occupied this Chair with great dignity and charm.

On behalf of all honourable senators, I should like on this special occasion to extend to you, sir, our most sincere good wishes and express the hope that you will have many more such anniversaries.

Hon. Mark R. Drouin: Mr. Speaker, honourable senators, I thought that this occasion would pass unnoticed, but this morning I read a reference to my birthday in the *Montreal Gazette*.

I am glad to celebrate it here this afternoon with my good friends, the honourable senators, who made my task as Speaker so pleasant. I know that they will extend to Mr. Speaker the same courtesies.

My term as Speaker of the Senate was a great honour for me and it gave me much satisfaction. My task was made lighter not only by the honourable senators on this side of the house but also by my good friends on the other side of the house. If I had some measure of success as Speaker of the Senate I owe it mainly to your encouragement and friendly support.