

THE SENATE

Wednesday, March 3, 1954

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

Prayers.

Routine proceedings.

THE ROYAL ASSENT

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that he had received a communication from the Secretary to the Governor General, acquainting him that the Right Honourable Thibaudeau Rinfret, Chief Justice of Canada, acting as Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, would proceed to the Senate Chamber on Thursday, March 4, at 5.45 p.m., for the purpose of giving the Royal Assent to certain bills.

PRIVATE BILL

CANADIAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION— REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Hayden, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the report of the committee on Bill F-11.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill F-11, intituled: "An Act respecting Canadian Nurses' Association", have in obedience to the order of reference of February 25, 1954, examined the said bill, and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

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

Hon. Mr. Hayden: Next sitting.

EXPORT CREDITS INSURANCE BILL

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Hayden, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the report of the committee on Bill 295.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill 295, intituled, "An Act to amend the Export Credits Insurance Act", have in obedience to the order of reference of March, 2, 1954, examined the said bill and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

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

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Next sitting.

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT RETIRING ALLOWANCES BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Hayden, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the report of the committee on Bill 176.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, to whom was referred the Bill 176, intituled, "An Act to amend the Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act", have in obedience to the order of reference of February 24, 1954, examined the said bill and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

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

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Next sitting.

NATIONAL BATTLEFIELDS (QUEBEC) BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. T. A. Crerar, Acting Chairman of the Standing Committee on Natural Resources, presented the report of the Committee on Bill 167.

The report was read by the Clerk Assistant as follows:

The Standing Committee on Natural Resources, to whom was referred the Bill (167 from the House of Commons), intituled: "An Act to amend an Act respecting the National Battlefields at Quebec", have in obedience to the order of reference of February 25, 1954, examined the said bill, and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

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

Hon. Mr. Macdonald: Next sitting.

ANIMAL CONTAGIOUS DISEASES BILL

SECOND READING

Hon. John A. McDonald moved the second reading of Bill 250, an Act to amend the Animal Contagious Diseases Act.

He said: Honourable senators, this is a short bill, which seeks to amend subsection (2) of section 12, of chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1952. The bill would remove paragraphs (c) and (d), which set a limit to the compensation payable in respect of swine and sheep that have contagious diseases and have to be slaughtered. Under these paragraphs the maximum that can be paid to the owner of diseased swine is \$50 for pure-bred animals and \$30 for grade animals; in the case of sheep, \$50 for pure-bred and \$20 for grade animals.