

PRAYERS.

The Honourable Senator Martin, P.C., laid on the Table the following:—

Report of Defence Construction (1951) Limited, including its accounts and financial statements certified by the Auditor General, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1972, pursuant to sections 75(3) and 77(3) of the *Financial Administration Act*, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of the Agricultural Stabilization Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1972, pursuant to section 14 of the *Agricultural Stabilization Act*, Chapter A-9, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of the Agricultural Products Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1972, pursuant to section 7 of the *Agricultural Products Board Act*, Chapter A-5, R.S.C., 1970.

Extract from the Minutes of meeting of the Standing Senate Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration, held on Wednesday, June 28, 1972, covering revised rates of pay of certain classifications of employees of the Senate. (English text).

The Honourable Senator Carter, Acting Chairman, from the Standing Senate Committee on Health, Welfare and Science, to which was referred the Bill C-195, intituled: "An Act to amend the Adult Occupational Training Act", reported that it had examined the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the Senate, without amendment.

The Honourable Senator Norrie moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Hicks, that the Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for a third reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

The question being put on the motion, it was—
Resolved in the affirmative.

The Honourable Senator Argue, from the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred the Bill C-204, intituled: "An Act to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act", reported that it had examined the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the Senate, without amendment.

The Honourable Senator Argue moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Molgat, that the Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for a third reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

The question being put on the motion, it was—
Resolved in the affirmative.

The Honourable Senator Smith, from the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration, presented its first Report as follows:—

THURSDAY, June 29, 1972

The Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration makes its first Report, as follows:

Your Committee to which were referred on 31st May, 1972, the Clerk's Accounts, being a detailed statement of his receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year 1971-72, reports as follows:

Your Committee has examined the above statement and supporting statements and finds them to be in accordance with the Estimates submitted by the Senate and the authority necessary for the purpose. We have received all the information and explanations which we have required. A letter from the Clerk, certifying that the accounts were audited by the Auditor General and that the proper authority exists for all payments made, is attached. Although a detailed examination of all increases was not made, we would state that the sums expended appear to be in keeping with the duties of and the tasks undertaken by the Senate and its Committees, Standing and Special.

Your Committee must again call the attention of the Senate, as we did in our last year's report, to the excessive printing costs. The accounts in our opinion are bearing a disproportionate load of the cost of the printing, notwithstanding the fact that printing charges have decreased by \$361,391.70 due to reduced Committee activity. The total cost of printing, \$591,283.76, is broken down as follows:

Debates of the Senate	\$171,656.40
Committees—Standing and Special	329,423.54
Senate Minutes and Journals	65,592.79
Other Printing	24,611.03

All of these monies are paid to the Canadian Government Printing Bureau.

The over-all net increase in expenditures compared to the fiscal year 1970-71 is \$539,059.82. This is a result of additional benefits to Senators, staff salaries and the acquisition of new equipment, furniture and fixtures for the Senate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DONALD SMITH,
Chairman.

The Honourable Senator Smith moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Langlois, that the Report be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the Senate.

The question being put on the motion, it was—
Resolved in the affirmative.

The Honourable Senator Smith, from the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration, tabled the following Report:—