

planatory notes are misleading. However, I do not see anything of serious importance or anything to complain about in either of these additions. I am prepared to accept second reading.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I explained that the changes to which I referred were the main ones.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Yes.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

THIRD READING

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: With leave, I move third reading of the Bill now.

The motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

THE CORONATION

ADDRESS TO HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND moved the following resolution:

That an Humble Address, in the following words, be presented to His Majesty the King, on the occasion of His Majesty's Coronation: To the King's Most Excellent Majesty:

Most Gracious Sovereign:

We, the members of the Senate of Canada, in Parliament assembled, desire respectfully to renew, on the occasion of Your Majesty's Coronation, the assurance of our united loyalty and support, and to offer our heartfelt good wishes for Your Majesty's reign.

Since your accession, we have not failed to recognize, in Your Majesty's public utterances, the assertion of those principles under which the prerogatives and powers of government, vested in your person, are held and exercised only according to law and custom sanctioned by general consent. Justice, civil liberty and ordered freedom, thus secured, constitute a most precious heritage. These time-honoured principles, permeating the relations of your peoples and their homelands one with another, have served to create a community of free states, responsible for their own destinies, yet resolved to conserve their common inheritance as one of the treasures of mankind. The solemn form and character of Your Majesty's Coronation, comprehending both the old and the new, will, we believe, afford a more vivid sense of the meaning and value of the Crown, thereby strengthening the bonds of mutual trust and affection between the Sovereign and his peoples.

To Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth we desire also to express our sentiments of loyalty and devotion. We rejoice that the great responsibilities of the Throne are shared by one who already holds a place in the affections of your peoples, and whose example fosters those simple and homely virtues which beautify character and enrich family life. The companionship in service thus enjoyed, while ensuring your personal happiness, will afford to Your Majesty support and strength in the discharge of your public duties.

Through this stormy and baffling era in human affairs, the Throne has remained broad-based upon the people's will. The Crown, symbolizing the unity and the free association of the nations of the British Commonwealth, continues to embody the principles of government which they hold most sacred, and their common attachment to the ideals of freedom and of peace. We pray, that under Divine blessing and guidance, the foundations of constitutional government may be firmly maintained, and that Your Majesty may be vouchsafed strength and wisdom commensurate with your exalted and exacting task.

He said: To this Address, which I am sure is an expression from the hearts and minds of this Parliament, the representative of the people of Canada, I have nothing to add. I believe it is a sincere statement of our inward feelings of loyalty to the Throne and to the institutions which govern us.

Right Hon. ARTHUR MEIGHEN: Honourable members, the address which the Senate is now asked to adopt is timely and fitting on the occasion of the Coronation of a monarch of this Empire. In my humble judgment it contains all that need be said, and its language is at once dignified and impressive. The citizens of Canada have certainly not failed to observe the sense of responsibility and desire for service and the true conception of majesty which our new King has evidenced since the hour he assumed the duties of the Throne. A continuation of that attitude and that demonstration of character will contribute greatly, as did similar conduct on his father's part, not only to the strengthening of the Throne for the welfare of the people, but also to the stability of the Empire itself. I am honoured indeed in being permitted to second the motion.

The Hon. the SPEAKER: Is it your pleasure, honourable members, that this resolution be adopted?

Hon. Mr. COTE: Honourable members, before we vote whole-heartedly in favour of this resolution, may I ask the honourable leader of the Government whether it will be executed in both languages?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: It has already been distributed in French.

Hon. Mr. COTE: But it will be executed in both languages?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Yes.

Hon. Mr. COTE: Thank you.

The resolution was adopted