

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I have advised His Excellency that it will not be possible to prorogue this parliament to-night. The house therefore, will resume on Monday.

Mr. BENNETT: At what hour?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: At eleven o'clock. I might say to the hon. members that with the exception of the one item we are discussing at present, we have concluded all the business of the session so far as the government is concerned.

## PRINTING OF PARLIAMENT

Hon. CHARLES MARCIL (Bonaventure) moved:

That the third report of the joint committee of both houses on the printing of parliament, presented to the house on the eighth instant, be concurred in.

Hon. J. A. ROBB (Minister of Finance): This resolution involves an increase in salary for an official who comes under the Civil Service Act, and is subject to all the regulations of that act. I have nothing to say against this official, but I submit that if we are to permit officials whose case has been reviewed by the Civil Service Commission to go over the heads of the commission and of the treasury board and come to parliament, we are introducing a precedent which may have very far-reaching effects. On these grounds, Mr. Speaker, I submit that this resolution should not pass. Indeed I question whether it is in order.

Mr. SPEAKER: The motion is not in order, nor is the report, because a committee can take cognizance only of matters which are referred to it. The matter which is the subject of recommendation in this report was not referred to the committee by the house. In addition to that, the official referred to is an employee of the House of Commons and I was not consulted in the matter. The permanent employees of the House of Commons are under the Civil Service Commission, and the case of this excellent employee was reviewed by that commission. I regret to say that they did not find that he should get an increase, and then he went over my head and put the matter before the joint committee of both houses on the printing of parliament. I rule that the motion is not in order.

Mr. MARCIL: In justice to the committee I would say that this report has been [Mr. Bennett.]

adopted by the Senate, and we find ourselves in the peculiar position of having a report adopted by one house and rejected by the other. This official is paid out of the general vote for the printing of parliament. He has had no increase since 1915, and the committee recommended that he be placed in a higher class.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie King the house adjourned at 12.05 a.m.

**Monday, June 11, 1928**

The house met at eleven o'clock.

## UNOPPOSED MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

## MARINE AND FISHERIES—BROADCASTING STATIONS

Mr. GEARY:

For a copy of all correspondence between the Minister of Marine and Fisheries or any officer or official of the Department of Marine and Fisheries and (a) broadcasting station CKCL (The Dominion Battery Company Limited), and (b) broadcasting station CKNC (Canada Carbon Company, Limited, Toronto), relative to the change of such stations from the 840 kilocycle channel to the 580 kilocycle channel.

## CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—HUDSON BAY RAILWAY

Mr. BLACK (Halifax):

For a return of a statement showing in full (a) the total amount spent from the year 1911 to date on the Hudson Bay railway by the Railway department; (b) the total amount spent by the Railway department in the port of Nelson; (c) the total amount spent on the port of Churchill by the Railway department; (d) the costs to the Railway department in full in the purchase and transport of all supplies to the ports of Nelson or Churchill in connection with the Hudson Bay railway and its terminals and their facilities; (e) the total amount expended by the Marine department in connection with the port of Nelson or Churchill and the Hudson Bay railway and in the survey of navigation in the straits or in Hudson bay and in the placing of aids to navigation in the Hudson straits or Hudson bay and at the ports of Nelson and Churchill; (f) the total cost of aerial surveys in Hudson straits and Hudson bay in connection with the navigation to the ports of Nelson and Churchill; (g) all other expenditures for any department of the government in connection with the Hudson Bay railway, its terminals at Nelson or Churchill and in the navigation of the Hudson bay and straits.

All such statements to include expenditures from the year 1911 to date, inclusive.