

Paper on Defence referred to the Committee on February 24, 1972 and that the necessary supporting staff do accompany the Committee.

Mr. Wahn, from the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

Pursuant to its Order of Reference of Monday, February 28, 1972, your Committee has considered the following Votes listed in the Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1973:

Votes 1, 5, 10, L15 and 20 relating to the Department of External Affairs;

Votes 25, 30, L35, L40 and L45 relating to the Canadian International Development Agency;

Vote 50 relating to the International Joint Commission;

Votes 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 relating to the Department of National Defence; and

Vote 35 relating to Defence Construction (1951) Limited.

Your Committee commends them to the House.

A copy of the relevant Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence (*Issues No. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14*) is tabled.

*(The Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence accompanying the said Report recorded as Appendix No. 15 to the Journals).*

Mr. Howard (Skeena), seconded by Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre), by leave of the House, introduced Bill C-210, An Act to amend the Canada Development Corporation Act (mineral processing), which was read the first time and ordered to be printed and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. MacEachen, seconded by Mr. Benson, by leave of the House, introduced Bill C-211, An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act and the Income Tax Act in respect of election expenses, which was read the first time and ordered to be printed and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The text of the Message and recommendation of the Governor General pursuant to Standing Order 62(2) in relation to the foregoing Bill is as follows:

His Excellency the Governor General recommends to the House of Commons a measure to amend the Canada Elections Act and the Income Tax Act in respect of election expenses; to provide under the circumstances prescribed in the Act, for the reimbursement of certain expenses of candidates and of certain costs of registered parties.

The House resumed debate on the motion of Mr. Laing (Vancouver South), seconded by Mr. Munro,—That Bill C-208, An Act to amend the Pension Act, the War Veterans Allowance Act, the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act, the Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act and the Department of Veterans Affairs Act, to provide for the annual adjustment of pensions and allowances payable thereunder, be now read a second time and be referred to the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs.

And debate continuing;

[At 5.00 o'clock p.m., *Private Members' Business* was called pursuant to Standing Order 15(4)]

#### (Public Bills)

By unanimous consent, the Order for second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs of Bill C-9, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (abolition of corporal punishment), was discharged and the said bill withdrawn.

By unanimous consent, orders numbered two and three were allowed to stand.

The Order being read for the second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration of Bill C-18, An Act to amend the Canadian Citizenship Act;

Mr. Allmand, seconded by Mr. Prud'homme, moved,—That the said bill be now read a second time and be referred to the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration.

And debate arising thereon;

#### RULING BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: Before we call it six o'clock perhaps honourable Members would allow the Chair to make a brief ruling in reference to a matter which was raised earlier in the House today.

Earlier today the honourable Member for York South (Mr. Lewis), in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 17, gave notice of his intention to rise on a question of privilege at the opening of our sittings. In his notice the honourable Member indicated that he intended to refer to a motion proposed yesterday by the Right Honourable Member for Prince Albert (Mr. Diefenbaker) under Standing Order 43. The honourable Member for York South suggested that the words used by the Right Honourable Member were in breach of parliamentary privilege. On this basis the honourable Member proposed the following motion: "That the false charges made by the Right Honourable Member for Prince Albert, as recorded on page 2243 of *Hansard* for Monday, May 15,