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GOOD NEWS BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION  
OF CANADA

The house resumed from Tuesday, December 17, consideration in committee of Bill No. S-15 to incorporate the Good News Broadcasting Association of Canada—Mr. Enns—Mr. Lamoureux in the chair.

On clause 1—*Incorporation.*

**The Chairman:** Shall clause 1 carry?

**Mr. Macdonald:** No.

**Mr. Howard:** I would move that the committee rise, report progress and ask for leave to sit again at the next sitting of the house.

**Mr. Aiken:** Mr. Chairman, I think the hon. member for York-Humber was speaking when the committee last rose. If he does not wish to make any statement at this time, I wish to do so, but I do not want to take any time from him if he wishes to speak.

[Mr. Douglas.]

**The Chairman:** I might point out to the committee that we do not have an amendment before us at the moment.

**Mr. Howard:** Mr. Chairman, I was in error in assessing what course of action was going to be followed, and inasmuch as I did not put the motion in writing, it does not exist.

**The Chairman:** Then since there is no motion in writing, no motion can be withdrawn.

**Mr. Aiken:** I wish to make a very brief statement, and after that I hope that the committee and the house will see fit to render a decision on this bill which has been before parliament since early in June, and which has had quite a chequered career. Later today the house will adjourn to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ nearly 2,000 years ago. The news of this event was described at that time as glad tidings of great joy. Later in His life, Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature".

Many people still refer to this event as good news, and so in 1939 the Reverend Mr. Epps and his wife decided to broadcast the good news of Christ's birth by means of radio. He called his organization the Good News Broadcasting Association. To some sophisticates, this may sound corny; in fact it was so called in a committee of this house. But to many people it has real meaning.

In 1950 the broadcasts were started in Canada, and a business office was set up under licence of the Manitoba government. Over a million people each year in Canada, be they shut-ins or others who delight to hear, are so thankful for these broadcasts that they write in to the head office in Winnipeg. All that this organization now asks is that it be permitted to become Canadian by incorporation in Canada.

It falls to the house to consider as its last order of business before Christmas an act to incorporate the Good News Broadcasting Association of Canada. It is the effort of a small group of men to spread the glad tidings as they see them. Now the house must decide either to accept it, to reject it, or like Pontius Pilate of years ago, to wash their hands of it.

**Mr. Macdonald:** I would just like to say that for reasons stated in the debate on this matter previously I for one, as an individual, am not in favour of parliament enacting this type of bill. I agree entirely with the sentiments expressed by the hon. member for Parry Sound-Muskoka, but I disagree entirely with this parliament incorporating a company under these circumstances, with this type of provision; and therefore I just want to make it clear I am recording my objection to the