

CANADA

Debates of the Senate

OFFICIAL REPORT

THE SENATE

Monday, October 14, 1957

OPENING OF FIRST SESSION TWENTY-THIRD PARLIAMENT

Parliament having been summoned by Proclamation to meet this day for the dispatch of business:

The Senate met at 10 a.m.

NEW SENATOR INTRODUCED

The Clerk of the Senate: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that I have received a certificate from the Secretary of State of Canada showing that the Honourable Mark Robert Drouin has been summoned to the Senate.

Hon. Mark Robert Drouin, of Quebec, Quebec, was introduced between Hon. Mr. Haig and Hon. Mr. Aseltine, and presented Her Majesty's writ of summons, which was read by the Clerk Assistant, and took the legally prescribed oath, which was administered by the Clerk.

The Clerk of the Senate: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the Honourable Mark Robert Drouin has made and subscribed the declaration of qualification required of him by the British North America Act, 1867, in my presence.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

READING OF COMMISSION APPOINTING
HON. MR. DROUIN

Hon. Mark Robert Drouin, having taken the Clerk's chair, rose and said: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform you that a Commission has been issued under the Great Seal, appointing me Speaker of the Senate.

The said Commission was then read by the Clerk.

The Hon. the Speaker then took the Chair at the foot of the Throne, to which he was conducted by Hon. Mr. Haig and Hon. Mr. Macdonald, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod preceding.

Prayers.

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COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have received the following communication:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE
Ottawa

October 14, 1957

Sir,

I am commanded to inform you that the Honourable Patrick Kerwin, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber to open the First Session of the Twenty-Third Parliament of Canada on this day, Monday the 14th October, 1957, at 11.00 a.m.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,
J. F. Delaute,

Secretary to the Governor General,
(Administrative)

The Honourable
The Speaker of the Senate,
The Senate,
Ottawa.

NEW SENATORS

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that the Clerk has received certificates from the Secretary of State of Canada showing that the following persons, respectively, have been summoned to the Senate:

Hon. J. Eugène Lefrançois,
Hon. George Stanley White,
Hon. Clarence V. Emerson,
Hon. Joseph A. Sullivan,
Hon. William Ralph Brunt,
Hon. Arthur M. Pearson,
Hon. Leon Methot,
Hon. Gustave Monette.

NEW SENATORS INTRODUCED

The Hon. The Speaker having informed the Senate that there were senators without, waiting to be introduced:

The following newly-summoned senators were severally introduced; presented Her Majesty's writs of summons, which were read by the Clerk Assistant; took the legally prescribed oath, which was administered by the Clerk, and were seated: