

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, November 26, 1957.

The Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines met at 10.30 a.m. The Chairman, Mr. G. K. Fraser, presided.

Members present: Messrs. Barnett, Batten, Blanchette, Broome, Byrne, Cameron, Crouse, Dupuis, English, Fraser, Gauthier (*Chicoutimi*), Haidasz, Herridge, Holowach, Howe, Kennedy, Lafontaine, Lavigne, Macdonald (*Vancouver-Kingsway*), Marler, Martini, McBain, McGrath, McLraith, McIvor, McLeod, McPhillips, Murphy (*Westmorland*), Nixon, Olson, Phillips, Rea, Regier, Small, Smith (*Calgary South*), Smith (*Lincoln*), Smith (*Simcoe North*), Stanton, Winch, and Wratten.—(40).

In attendance:

For British Columbia Telephone Company:

Messrs. Douglas Jung, M.P., Sponsor; Gordon Farrell, President; W. S. Pipes, Vice-President and General Manager; W. G. Angus, Secretary; A. C. Des Brisay, Q.C., Counsel for the Company; and W. G. Burke-Robertson, Q.C., Parliamentary Agent.

On motion of Mr. Rea, seconded by Mr. Martini,

Resolved,—That Mr. W. M. Howe be Vice-Chairman of this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Martini, seconded by Mr. McGrath,

Resolved,—That a recommendation be made to the House to reduce the Committee's quorum from 20 to 12 members.

Moved by Mr. Broome, seconded by Mr. McGrath,—

That a recommendation be made to the House to authorize the Committee to sit while the House is sitting.

After discussion, the said motion was allowed to stand.

On motion of Mr. Howe, seconded by Mr. Rea,

Resolved,—That a recommendation be made to the House to empower the Committee to print such papers and evidence as may be ordered by the Committee.

On motion of Mr. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Broome,

Resolved,—That the Committee print 700 copies in English and 200 copies in French of its Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence in relation to Bill No. 18, "An Act respecting British Columbia Telephone Company".

The Chairman called on the sponsor, Mr. Jung, to introduce the witnesses for the company.

The Committee commenced consideration of Bill No. 18 (Letter B of the Senate), "An Act respecting British Columbia Telephone Company".

On the Preamble:

On request of the Chairman, the sponsor of the Bill called and introduced Messrs. Farrell, Pipes and Des Brisay appearing on behalf of British Columbia Telephone Company. The said witnesses explained the purpose of the Bill and were questioned thereon.