

Members of the House of Commons:

You will be asked to make financial provision on an unprecedented scale for the expansion and maintenance of Canada's armed forces and for war production.

You will be asked to make financial provision for implementing agreements with the provinces to facilitate the orderly and equitable mobilization of the financial resources of the country to the utmost limit of its capacity.

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I am confident that in no particular will the Canadian people fail in the full discharge of any of their great responsibilities. At this time, when vision and wisdom are so greatly needed in the affairs of the world, I pray that Almighty God may guide and bless your deliberations.

The House of Commons withdrew.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

RAILWAY BILL

FIRST READING

Bill A, an Act relating to Railways.—Right Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

CONSIDERATION OF HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH

On motion of Right Hon. Mr. Dandurand, it was ordered that the speech of His Excellency the Governor General be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

COMMITTEE ON ORDERS AND PRIVILEGES

Right Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved:

That all the senators present during this session be appointed a committee to consider the orders and customs of the Senate and privileges of Parliament, and that the said committee have leave to meet in the Senate Chamber when and as often as they please.

The motion was agreed to.

COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

Right Hon. Mr. DANDURAND moved:

That pursuant to Rule 77 the following senators, to wit: the Honourable Senators Ballantyne, Beaubien (Montarville), Buchanan, Copp, Haig, Little, Sinclair, White and the mover be appointed a Committee of Selection to nominate senators to serve on the several standing committees during the present session, and to report with all convenient speed the names of the senators so nominated.

The motion was agreed to.

The Hon. the SPEAKER.

RIGHT HON. WINSTON CHURCHILL

MOTION TO INCORPORATE HIS ADDRESS IN OFFICIAL REPORT OF DEBATES

Right Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: Honourable senators, with the leave of the Senate, I move:

That the address which the Right Hon. Winston S. Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain, delivered before the members of the Senate and of the House of Commons of Canada in the Chamber of the House of Commons on December 30, 1941, be included in the Debates of the Senate and form part of the permanent records of this Parliament.

I make this motion, similar to one carried unanimously in the other House, because we were present at the meeting on an equal footing with the Commons, although it was held in their Chamber.

Hon. C. C. BALLANTYNE: Honourable senators, I take pleasure in seconding the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

A meeting of Members of the Senate and of the House of Commons was held in the House of Commons Chamber, Ottawa, on Tuesday, December 30, 1941, at 3 p.m.

Hon. James Allison Glen, Speaker of the House of Commons, presided.

Mr. SPEAKER: Your Royal Highness, Mr. Churchill, honourable members of the Senate and of the House of Commons, ladies and gentlemen: I would ask the Right Honourable Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister of Canada, to introduce the Right Honourable Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister of Britain.

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister of Canada): Mr. Speaker, honourable members of the Senate and of the House of Commons, on behalf of the Government and people of Canada I have the honour this afternoon to renew the welcome already extended from all parts of our country to the Prime Minister of Britain, the Right Honourable Winston Churchill.

I desire to express to Mr. Churchill the thanks of the entire country for his visit to Canada at this time. I thank him also for having so kindly consented, while in our capital city, to address the members of the two Houses of Parliament, and to speak, from this House of Commons Chamber, to all the people of Canada.

I need not say to Mr. Churchill how unbounded is our admiration of the brave