THE SENATE

Thursday, February 1, 1951

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

DIVORCE PETITIONS

NUMBER PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT

Hon. Mr. Aseltine, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Divorce, presented certain petitions for divorce.

Hon. Mr. Haig: How many are there?

Hon. Mr. Aseltine: To start with, 207.

CARRY-OVER FROM SPECIAL SESSION

Hon. Mr. Aseltine presented and moved concurrence in the second report of the Standing Committee on Divorce, as follows:

Inasmuch as petitions for bills of divorce were not dealt with at the Special Session of Parliament held in the year 1950, the committee recommend that petitions served and advertised for the last session of parliament be deemed and taken as sufficient compliance with the rules of the Senate for the present session.

The motion was agreed to.

LEVERT DIVORCE PETITION

REFUND OF FEES

Hon. Mr. Aseltine presented and moved concurrence in the third report of the Standing Committee on Divorce, as follows:

1. With respect to the petition of Joseph Albert Levert, of the town of Cowansville, in the province of Quebec, for an Act to dissolve his marriage with Marie Cecile Lanctot Levert, of the said town.

2. Application having been made for leave to withdraw the petition, the committee recommend that leave be granted accordingly, and that the parliamentary fees paid under Rule 140 be refunded to the petitioner less printing and translation costs.

The motion was agreed to.

KASHOWER DIVORCE PETITION

REFUND OF FEES

Hon. Mr. Aseltine presented and moved concurrence in the fourth report of the Standing Committee on Divorce, as follows:

1. With respect to the petition of Robert Kashower, of the city of Montreal, in the province of Quebec, for an Act to dissolve his marriage with Margaret Irene McLaren Kashower, of the town of Dorval, in the said province.

2. Application having been made for leave to withdraw the petition, the committee recommend that leave be granted accordingly, and that the parliamentary fees paid under Rule 140 be refunded to the petitioner less printing and translation costs.

The motion was agreed to.

LEMONDE DIVORCE PETITION

REFUND OF FEES

Hon. Mr. Aseltine presented and moved concurrence in the fifth report of the Standing Committee on Divorce, as follows:

1. With respect to the petition of Vincent Lemonde, of the city of Drummondville, in the province of Quebec, for an Act to dissolve his marriage with Elisa Payelle Lemonde, of the city of Montreal, in the said province.

2. Application having been made for leave to withdraw the petition, the committee recommend that leave be granted accordingly, and that the parliamentary fees paid under Rule 140 be refunded to the petitioner less printing and translation costs.

The motion was agreed to.

OIL DISCOVERY IN MANITOBA

HIGH GRADE PRODUCTION AT VIRDEN

On the Orders of the Day:

Hon. Mr. Haig: Honourable senators, I have some big news. It is not as dark as some of the news that we get these days. The big news of the day in Manitoba is of the finding of oil at Virden. It is the real thing, evidently the highest grade of oil so far found in Canada. The single drawback is that at present the production is only about 72 barrels per day.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Senate proceeded to consideration of His Excellency the Governor General's speech at the opening of the Fourth Session of the Twenty-First Parliament of Canada.

Hon. J. Wesley Stambaugh moved:

That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General of Canada:

To His Excellency Field Marshal The Right Honourable Viscount Alexander of Tunis, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Military Cross, one of His Majesty's Aldes-de-Camp General, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Canada.

May it Please Your Excellency:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Senate of Canada, in parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Excellency for the gracious speech which Your Excellency has addressed to both houses of parliament.

He said: Honourable senators, I wish at once to express appreciation of the speech delivered in this chamber on Tuesday by His Excellency the Governor General. The extension for Lord Alexander of the normal term of his office has given the greatest satisfaction