

represented by Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers of Canada, Local 3; International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO-CLC, Unity Lodge No. 482; Local 840 of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, AFL-CIO-CLC; Local 213 of the United Association of Journeymen & Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada, AFL-CIO-CLC; and, Local 2282 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of America. Order dated October 6, 1976.

(17) Compensation plan between The Cyprus Anvil Mining Corporation and the group of its employees as represented by the United Steelworkers of America, Locals 1051 and 7745. Order dated October 7, 1976.

Report of operations under the Farm Improvement Loans Act for the year ended December 31, 1975, pursuant to section 13 of the said Act, Chapter F-3, R.S.C., 1970.

Report on the administration of the Small Businesses Loans Act for year ended December 31, 1975, pursuant to section 11 of the said Act, Chapter S-10, R.S.C., 1970.

Copies of contract between the Government of Canada and Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, for the purchase of the CP-140 (Aurora) Aircraft, dated July 21, 1976.

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Langlois: Honourable senators, I move, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(g), that when the Senate adjourns today it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, October 19, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Honourable senators, before the question is put I would like to state that next week we will continue with the debate on the motion for the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne at the opening of this session.

On Tuesday Senator Everett will table a copy of the report prepared last session by the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance on the estimates of the Manpower Division of the Department of Manpower and Immigration. This report was published and distributed during the summer adjournment, pursuant to the authorization of the Senate of June 16 last. Senator Everett will, with leave of the Senate, give notice that on Wednesday, October 20, he will call the attention of the Senate to this report.

Motion agreed to.

THE SENATE

ATTENDANCE OF CONSERVATIVE SENATORS

Senator Greene: Honourable senators, I wonder if the Leader of the Government could inform the house as to whether the Conservative senators are away in such great numbers because they are marching with Joe Morris, or

whether they are just away because of the traditional delinquency of their party.

Senator Perrault: Honourable senators, I am sure there is no question at all as to the dedication to work of the members of the opposition in this chamber.

Senator Macdonald: We are on the side of the labouring man.

Senator Flynn: I was wondering if the Leader of the Government could make a calculation to determine whether the proportion of absentees on our side is higher than that on his side.

An Hon. Senator: It is just more noticeable.

Senator Argue: We might as well drop it right there.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY—DEBATE CONTINUED

The Senate resumed from yesterday consideration of His Excellency the Governor General's Speech at the opening of the session, and the motion of Senator Lucier, seconded by Senator Barrow, for an Address in reply thereto.

[Translation]

Hon. Jacques Flynn: Honourable senators, Senator Greene said precisely what I intended to say, that is, that the absentees on this side know what to expect, contrary to those who sit on the other side. But the long applause I have just been given moves me deeply. Still, I don't know whether it is cause for comfort or worry. My task is singularly onerous in this debate on the reply to the Speech from the Throne. As I say, my task this afternoon is to speak to you, and yours to listen to me. I wonder which of the two is the more thankless. Yours more probably, but I trust you will not finish it before I finish mine. When I resume my seat, there will be the usual awakening. Some will feel stronger, others more rested.

First of all, I wish, on behalf of the official opposition, to extend my respects to Their Excellencies the Governor General and Madam Léger. All of us were happy to see that the Governor General's health has improved considerably.

We saw and heard, with admiration, Her Excellency Madam Léger read a major part of the Speech from the Throne. The courage and determination of Their Excellencies moved us deeply. We wish His Excellency the Governor General a complete recovery, and Her Excellency continued good health, that they may continue to discharge their heavy responsibilities.

Secondly, I wish to extend to Madam Speaker of the Senate the compliments of the opposition. Her initial nervousness—I was about to say her occasional anxiety—is gradually giving way to assurance which alters in no way her very personal charm.

Above all, I wish to mention to her that she is an outstanding ambassador for the Senate. I was personally able to notice that, wherever she goes, she leaves the best of impressions. I