

PRAYERS.

Tribute was paid to the memory of Senator Bois, whose death occurred July 18, 1962.

Tribute was paid to the memory of the Honourable Senator Brunt, whose death occurred July 7, 1962.

Tribute was paid to the memory of the Honourable Senator Wall, whose death occurred July 7, 1962.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk to return to this House the evidence taken and the papers produced before the Senate Standing Committee on Divorce during the last Session of the Twenty-fourth Parliament, with respect to Bills SD-1 to SD-327, inclusive.

The Honourable the Speaker presented to the Senate the Report of the Parliamentary Librarian, as follows:—

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARIAN

First session of the twenty-fifth Parliament, 1962

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Senate:

The Parliamentary Librarian has the honour to submit his report for the first eight months of the year 1962. The last report was presented to both Houses on January 18, 1962.

The Joint Committee met once during the last session, on March 13, 1962 to review Library matters.

The "Selected Additions List", issued twice a month to bring to the attention of Senators and Members a choice of recent books of special interest, was continued throughout the year. A revised edition of the leaflet "How the Library of Parliament can Help Senators and Members" will be distributed shortly.

From January 1 to August 31, 1962, our staff answered 2,540 reference questions and circulated 15,869 books and periodicals. During the same period, 13,892 volumes were catalogued and classified, which brings to 181,687 the number of volumes recatalogued since the fire of 1952.

On July 7, 1962 Mr. Frank W. Matley drowned on holidays. He had served the Library faithfully for over thirty years and will be greatly missed.

On February 26, 1962 Miss A. Pamela Hardisty, Assistant Director, Reference Services, National Library, was appointed Assistant Librarian by the Civil Service Commission, to replace Mr. R. M. Hamilton who left last year.

Senators and Members will be pleased to learn that it has now become possible to convert one of our offices into a quiet Study Room for their exclusive use.

Close co-operation has been maintained with the National Library both informally and through the National Library Advisory Council of which the Parliamentary Librarian is Secretary.

Mr. Guy Sylvestre, Associate Parliamentary Librarian, had the honour to serve as Chairman of the Committee for the Governor General's Literary Awards and continues to serve as vice-chairman of the Canadian Library Week Council.