

The Order being read for the third reading Bill No. 5, An Act respecting Materials and Services Essential for the purposes of Defence and National Security;

Mr. Howe moved,—That the said Bill be now read the third time.

After Debate thereon, the question being put on the said motion; it was agreed to, on division.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, on division.

The House then resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Abbott: That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to resolve itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

And the question being proposed;

Mr. Macdonnell (Greenwood), seconded by Mr. Smith (Calgary West), moved in amendment: That all the words after "That" to the end of the question be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"this House regrets that especially at this time when the people of Canada are suffering from the heavy burden of soaring prices for the necessities of life and are facing extraordinary expenditures for national defence, the Government has failed to take effective steps to curtail non-essential expenditures and improve the general efficiency of government".

And a Debate arising thereon;

Mr. Stewart (Winnipeg North), seconded by Mr. Argue, moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment: That the amendment be amended by adding thereto the following words:

"We regret further that the Government has failed to protect the people of this country from profiteering by the imposition of an excess profits tax".

And the Debate still continuing; the said Debate was on motion of Mr. Blackmore, adjourned.

A Message was received from the Senate informing this House that the Senate had passed the following Bill:—

Bill No. 2, An Act for granting His Majesty aid for National Defence and Security.

And also,—A Message informing this House that the Senate had passed the following Bill, without any amendment:—

Bill No. 4, An Act to make Temporary Provision for the Regulation of Consumer Credit.

At eleven o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without question put, pursuant to Standing Order 7, until tomorrow at eleven o'clock, a.m., pursuant to Special Order made Saturday, September 2, 1950.

W. ROSS MACDONALD,  
*Speaker.*