

Administration of Justice

on today's order paper. It is the motion referring the report of the Hon. Mr. Justice Rand concerning Mr. Justice Landreville to a joint committee. I would ask that that motion be called. I understand there is unanimous consent to dispose of it now without debate.

• (6:00 p.m.)

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Rinfret): Does the house unanimously agree to accept the request made by the Minister of Public Works?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER REMOVAL OF
MR. JUSTICE LANDREVILLE**

Hon. Lucien Cardin (Minister of Justice) moved:

That a joint committee of both Houses of Parliament be appointed to enquire into and report on the expediency of presenting an address to His Excellency praying for the removal of Mr. Justice Leo Landreville from the Supreme Court of Ontario, in view of the facts, considerations and conclusions contained in the report of Honourable Ivan C. Rand concerning the said Mr. Justice Leo Landreville, dated the 11th day of August, 1966 and tabled in the House of Commons on the 29th day of August, 1966;

That 12 members of the House of Commons, to be designated later, be members of the joint committee on the part of this house;

That the committee have power to appoint, from among its members, such sub-committees as may be deemed advisable or necessary; to call for persons, papers and records and to engage counsel; to sit while the house is sitting and to report from time to time;

That the committee have power to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the committee for its use and for the use of Parliament; and that Standing Order 66 of the House of Commons be suspended in relation thereto;

And that a message be sent to the Senate requesting that house to unite with this house for the above purpose and to select, if the Senate deems advisable, some of its members to act on the proposed joint committee.

Motion agreed to.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Rinfret): Is it agreed by hon. members that this sitting stands suspended until eight o'clock this evening?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Rinfret): Consequently, I do now leave the chair.

SITTING SUSPENDED

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The house resumed at 8 p.m.

[Mr. McIlraith.]

SUPPLY

The house resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Sharp for committee of supply, and the amendment thereto of Mr. Douglas.

INCREASED COST OF LIVING

Mr. E. Nasserden (Rosthern): Mr. Speaker, in rising to take part in this debate on supply for the final quarter of the government's spending for the current year I cannot help but think of the economic report brought forward today and some of the conclusions reached in that report. Unlike the hon. member opposite me, I cannot share the rosy view he takes. I do not see the bloom that he tried to show. The report says:

Unemployment has risen slightly. Productivity growth has slowed. Demand for goods and services was sharply checked in April, May and June this year. Prices and costs have increased rapidly in several categories.

There is concern about maintaining strength in the balance of payments.

Those conclusions reflect the uneasiness in the minds of those charged with the responsibility of studying the economic conditions of this country.

When we look at the statements made by the hon. member for Vancouver-Burrard (Mr. Basford) today, in which he tried to ignore the rising costs which have contributed so much to the diminishing value of the dollar in the hands of the consumer, we cannot help but wonder whether he was serious in what he said. It is all well and good for him—

Mr. Basford: On a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker, the hon. member has completely misinterpreted my remarks, which were not at all as the hon. member has represented them. If I were not concerned about rising costs, would I be spending most of my time as co-chairman of the committee concerned with that sole question?

Mr. Speaker: I am sure the hon. member will not stand seriously on his question of privilege.

Mr. Nasserden: That is just another indication of the type of double-talk we have had on inflation in this country during the last several months. It will be recalled that when this matter was first raised by the opposition several months ago hon. members opposite said inflation was no threat in this country. They labelled opposition actions as obstructionist, but the warnings given at that time have proven factual and timely. Failure to heed them has shown the negligence and arrogance