

CANADA

House of Commons Debates

OFFICIAL REPORT

Speaker: The Honourable Roland Michener

Thursday, January 15, 1959

SECOND SESSION—TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT—OPENING

The parliament which had been prorogued on the sixth day of September, 1958, met this day at Ottawa for the dispatch of business.

The house met at three o'clock, the Speaker in the chair.

Mr. Speaker read a communication from the secretary to the Governor General, announcing that His Excellency the Governor General would proceed to the Senate chamber at three o'clock on this day, for the purpose of formally opening the session of the dominion parliament.

A message was delivered by Major C. R. Lamoureux, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, as follows:

Mr. Speaker, it is the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor General that this honourable house attend him immediately in the chamber of the honourable the Senate.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the house went up to the Senate chamber.

And the house being returned to the Commons chamber:

VACANCIES

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the house that during the recess I have received communications from members informing me that the following vacancies have occurred in the representation:

Of William V. Yacula, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Springfield, by decease.

Of Edward R. Lockyer, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Trinity, by decease.

Accordingly I have issued my warrants to the chief electoral officer to make out new writs of election for the said electoral districts, respectively.

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NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the house that during the recess the Clerk of the House has received from the chief electoral officer certificates of the election and return of the following members:

Of Mrs. Jean Casselman, for the electoral district of Grenville-Dundas.

Of Louis Fortin, Esquire, for the electoral district of Montmagny-L'Islet.

Of Joseph B. Slogan, Esquire, for the electoral district of Springfield.

Of Hon. Paul Hellyer, for the electoral district of Trinity.

NEW MEMBERS INTRODUCED

Mrs. Jean Casselman, member for the electoral district of Grenville-Dundas, introduced by Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker and Hon. W. Earl Rowe.

Louis Fortin, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Montmagny-L'Islet, introduced by Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker and Hon. Leon Balcer.

Joseph B. Slogan, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Springfield, introduced by the Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker and Hon. Gordon Churchill.

Hon. Paul Hellyer, member for the electoral district of Trinity, introduced by Hon. L. B. Pearson and Hon. Paul Martin.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prime Minister) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 1, respecting the administration of oaths of office.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.