

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING: (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, you have just announced that the deputy of the Governor General will attend in the other House at 3.15. I assume that there is no other business which hon. members wish to transact in the interval and in the circumstances I would suggest that proceedings be suspended until that hour.

At 2.45 p.m. the sitting was suspended until 3.15 p.m.

The House having resumed:

Mr. SPEAKER: I regret to inform the House that owing to a death in his family, Major A. R. Thompson, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, cannot attend this afternoon. I have therefore received the following message from the Senate:

Resolved that a message be sent to the House of Commons to acquaint that House that it is the Deputy Governor's desire that they attend him immediately in the Senate chamber.

A. E. BLOUNT,  
Clerk of the Senate.

Accordingly, the House went up to the Senate,

And having returned,

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give in His Majesty's name the royal assent to the following bill:

An act for the granting to His Majesty a certain sum of money for the public service for the financial year ending 31st March, 1927.

On motion of Mr. Mackenzie King, the House adjourned at 3.40 p.m., until Tuesday, February 8, 1927.

## Tuesday, February 8, 1927

The House met at three o'clock.

### VACANCIES

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that I have received communications from several members notifying me that the following vacancies had occurred in the representation, viz:

Of John Carey Douglas, member for the electoral district of Antigonish-Guysborough, by decease;

Of John Warwick King, member for the electoral district of North Huron, by decease.

I have accordingly issued my several warrants to the Chief Electoral Officer to make out new writs of election for the said electoral districts, respectively.

### NEW MEMBER

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that the Clerk of the House has received from the Chief Electoral Officer a certificate of the election and return of William Duff, Esquire, for the electoral district of Antigonish-Guysborough.

### PRIVATE BILLS

#### FIRST READINGS

Bill No. 41, to incorporate Columbia Life Assurance Company.—Mr. Stevens.

Bill No. 42, respecting certain patents owned by Albert P. Frigon.—Mr. Mercier (St. Henri).

Bill No. 43, respecting the Ottawa Electric Company.—Mr. Chevrier.

Bill No. 44, respecting the Ottawa Gas Company.—Mr. Chevrier.

### PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY, PRINTING AND RESTAURANT

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that a message has been received from the Senate informing this House:—

That the Honourable the Speaker, the Honourable Messieurs Green, Hardy, Ross (Middleton), Sharpe, Taylor and Watson, have been appointed a committee to assist the Honourable the Speaker in the direction of the restaurant of parliament, so far as the interests of the Senate are concerned, and to act on behalf of the Senate as members of a joint committee of both Houses on said restaurant.

Also,—A message informing this House that the Honourable the Speaker, the Honourable Messieurs Aylesworth, Sir Allen, Beaubien, Chapais, Gillis, Gordon, Griesbach, Hardy, Hatfield, Laird, Lewis, McDougald, McLennan, Poirier, Taylor, Turriff and Webster (Brockville), have been appointed a committee to assist the Honourable the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of the Senate are concerned, and to act on behalf of the Senate as members of a joint committee of both Houses on the said library.

And also,—A message informing this House that the Honourable Messieurs Aylesworth, Sir Allen, Buchanan, Chapais, Dessaulles, Donnelly, Farrell, Green, Legris, Lewis, McDonald, McLean, McLennan, Murphy, Pardee, Pope, Robertson, Sharpe, Taylor, Todd, White (Inkerman) and White (Pembroke), have been appointed a committee to superintend the printing of the Senate during the present session, and to act on behalf of the Senate as members of a joint committee of both Houses on the subject of the printing of parliament.

### BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

#### WEDNESDAY SITTINGS

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved:

That on Wednesday the 9th instant and subsequent Wednesdays to the end of the session the House shall meet at three o'clock in the afternoon.