

THE SENATE

Wednesday, December 7, 1949

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BANK BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Salter A. Hayden presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill 210, an Act to amend the Industrial Development Bank Act.

He said: Honourable senators, the committee have, in obedience to the order of reference of December 2, 1949, examined the said bill, and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this report be taken into consideration.

Hon. Mr. Hayden: Now.

The Hon. the Speaker: It is moved by Honourable Senator Hayden, seconded by Honourable Senator David, that the report be concurred in.

The motion was agreed to.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: When shall the bill be read the third time.

Hon. Mr. Hayden: Now.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time, and passed.

DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND TECHNICAL SURVEYS BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Salter A. Hayden presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill 212, an Act respecting the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys.

He said: Honourable senators, the committee have, in obedience to the order of reference of December 5, 1949, examined the said bill and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall the report be taken into consideration?

Hon. Mr. Hayden: Now.

The Hon. the Speaker: It is moved by the Hon. Senator Hayden, seconded by Hon. Senator David, that the report be concurred in.

The motion was agreed to.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall the bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Hayden: I move that the bill be read the third time now.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time, and passed.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS FINANCING AND GUARANTEE BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Salter A. Hayden presented the report of the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce on Bill 148, an Act to authorize the provision of moneys to meet certain capital expenditures made and capital indebtedness incurred by the Canadian National Railways System during the calendar year 1949, and to authorize the guarantee by His Majesty of certain securities to be issued by the Canadian National Railway Company.

He said: Honourable senators, the committee have, in obedience to the order of reference of December 5, 1949, examined the said bill and now beg leave to report the same without any amendment.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this report be taken into consideration?

Hon. Mr. Hayden: Now.

The Hon. the Speaker: It is moved by Hon. Senator Hayden, seconded by Hon. Senator David, that the report be concurred in. Is it your pleasure to adopt the motion?

The motion was agreed to.

THIRD READING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Hayden: I move that the bill be read the third time now.

Hon. Mr. Haig: Honourable senators, I dislike to do this, but I would point out that when a bill is reported without amendment it is not necessary to have a motion for adoption of the report. In such a case the report is automatically adopted, without motion, and then it is in order to move third reading, unless someone objects.

Hon. Mr. Marcotte: I do not think that has been our practice, and I should like to have a ruling on it. A committee simply reports a bill and has no authority to say that the report shall be adopted.

Hon. Mr. Haig: I did not say it had. I said that if a committee reports a bill without