

to ask the Prime Minister whether he was referring to this statement when he said in his speech on Tuesday "The Canadian delegates took exception both in form and in substance to certain of its original provisions." Is it true that the Canadian delegates made a strongly-worded written protest against the provisions of Article X of the League of Nations Covenant?

Sir ROBERT BORDEN (Prime Minister): I am not familiar with, and certainly I am not sponsor for the statements made in the publications to which my hon. friend has alluded. With regard to the whole question which he has asked, I really have nothing more to say at the moment than what I said in my speech, namely, that there were some provisions of the first draft of the Covenant as to which we made certain representations in a confidential document, and that many of the objections which we raised were covered by the modifications made by the revised Covenant.

Mr. TRAHAN: What about Article X?

Mr. SPEAKER: These questions cannot properly be submitted on the Orders of the Day. They might be put in the course of debate in Committee upon the resolution or upon the Bill, but in no case can there be a regular interrogation upon the Orders of the Day.

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. LUCIEN CANNON (Dorchester): Certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace refer to a map which is supposed to be annexed to the Treaty. I cannot find the map. Would it be possible for the Government to supply the members with copies of that map?

Sir ROBERT BORDEN: I think the copy of the Treaty laid upon the Table has maps. The copies of the Treaty circulated in the British Parliament were precisely the same as those which we have circulated to the members here.

Mr. McKENZIE: It is well to have it distinctly understood that the intention of the Prime Minister now is that this resolution on the Treaty shall not be taken up until Monday, and then it shall go on in the regular way with the expectation of finishing it at the Thursday sitting of the House; no other business to interfere with that arrangement except by common consent.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH. ADDRESS IN REPLY.

Consideration of the motion of Mr. Howard Primrose Whidden for an address
[Mr. Trahan.]

to His Excellency the Governor General in reply to his Speech at the opening of the session, resumed from Tuesday, September 2.

Mr. D. D. McKENZIE (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Mr. Speaker, it is always more or less a disadvantage to divide anything one may have to say on a subject of this kind into two parts. On Tuesday I had the honour to make a few observations on the reply to the speech from the Throne. On that occasion other business necessarily intervened and in consequence my remarks were brief. I referred to the very excellent manner in which the mover and seconder had discharged the duties devolving upon them, and also the general rejoicings of the Canadian people in having among them His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. I proceeded to refer to the status of Canada as regards our relations with the Mother Country, and spoke briefly on what I regard, and think this House regards, as a very important subject, namely, the relations of this country with the Mother Country and with other nations of the world.

The Treaty, which is the real cause of our coming together on this occasion, reveals the fact that we shall have relations with other nations and kingdoms which we have never had before. Heretofore the Mother Country was blazing the trail and indicating the relations that we might possibly have with any foreign country, and we rendered whatever assistance we found it necessary to give. Under present circumstances it would appear from the reading of the Treaty and from the speech of the Right Hon. the Prime Minister, we are to go a step further, and we are, to some extent, to deal directly with outside Powers, regardless of any intercommunication with the Mother Country. A full discussion and explanation of the circumstances connected with this phase of the situation, and the responsibilities which we may assume in the result, will come when we deal with the Treaty itself and the resolution which is now on the Order Paper.

The speech from the Throne makes reference to but few matters. It has something to say about the ties which bind us to the Mother Country, and which bind one to another the sister nations of the great Empire to which we belong. It is gratifying and satisfactory to find that at the close of the war, after the enormous sacrifices which all the various parts of the Empire have made, there is no acrimonious feeling of any kind, and no strained relation whatever between ourselves and the Mother Country, or be-