

rise there will be meetings of the Railway Committee and the Banking and Commerce Committee, in order that we may do some work in the interval.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: When do we eat?

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: This is the fruit of the Government's endeavour towards orderly procedure during the session. I do not think I have ever before seen a jam like this one. It is not so much the result of a large array of important measures as of the Government's lack of courage to put the closure into effect in the Commons.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I shall not go into that field. I said yesterday that I had heard there was a possibility of proroguing this evening. That was from the House of Commons angle. It is for us to say whether we will join—

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: I quite agree that if we do not eat, sleep, or consider the measures before us, we can prorogue this evening.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: As to that we shall be the sole judges.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: I am going to eat.

At 6 o'clock the Senate took recess.

The Senate resumed at 7.45 o'clock.

NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Right Hon. G. P. GRAHAM presented, and moved concurrence in, the following report of the Standing Committee on Railways, Telegraphs and Harbours:

The Standing Committee on Railways, Telegraphs and Harbours to whom was referred the message from the House of Commons disagreeing to certain amendments made by the Senate to Bill 17, intitled "An Act respecting the National Harbours Board," have in obedience to the order of reference of the 20th June, 1936, considered the said message and now beg leave to report as follows:

The Committee recommend that the Senate do not insist on their first, second and fifth amendments, and that the following be substituted for their third amendment:

Page 6, lines 1 to 6, both inclusive. For sub-clause 2 of clause 12 substitute the following:

(2) Whenever, in the case of any works, tenders are required by this Act to be called, the Board shall, after having given the tenderers reasonable notice of the time and place of the opening of the tenders, open them in public and thereafter submit them

to the Minister, who shall submit them to the Governor General in Council, and the contract for the work shall be awarded under the authority of the Governor in Council."

The motion was agreed to.

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable senators, I understand that there is only one measure, apart from the Supply Bill, to come to us from the House of Commons. That is the Unemployment Relief Bill.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: That is not here yet?

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: No. I have no hope that prorogation will take place this evening, but at the moment I am not sure at what hour the Senate should meet on Monday. I therefore move that we adjourn during pleasure. The sitting of the Committee on Banking and Commerce will be resumed at once.

I take this opportunity of reminding my honourable colleagues that if, as it seems likely, we shall be sitting on Monday, it is important there be a quorum present that day.

Right Hon. Mr. MEIGHEN: Especially on this side.

Right Hon. Mr. GRAHAM: But that side cannot start the business; it can only stop business.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the sitting of the Senate was resumed.

The Senate adjourned until Monday, June 22, at 12 noon.

THE SENATE

Monday, June 22, 1936.

First Sitting

The Senate met at 12 noon, the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD BILL

MESSAGE FROM HOUSE OF COMMONS

The Hon. the SPEAKER: Honourable senators, a message has been received from the House of Commons, returning Bill 17, an Act respecting the National Harbours Board, and agreeing to the amendment substituted by the Senate for its original third amendment.