

Mr. ILSLEY: Perhaps I may inform the hon. member in a few words. In effect what I did to-day, not sufficiently audibly, apparently, was to give notice that at the next sitting of the house I would move that the house go into committee of the whole to consider a resolution for the voting of \$2,000,000,000 for the purposes set out in the resolution; and I made the usual statement that His Excellency the Governor General had been made acquainted with the subject matter of the resolution and recommended it to the consideration of the house. There will be abundant opportunity to debate the resolution itself at the time I actually move that we go into committee of the whole, and there will be the same opportunity to debate in committee of the whole.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): I think the notice is a little bit premature, but we should not be too technical.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Louder, please.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): It is just your bad luck. I think the motion appeared a bit too soon. Notwithstanding that, we should not be too technical, having regard to existing conditions. I for one am quite ready to agree to have the procedure followed that has been indicated to-day in order that we may gain a day's time.

With regard to the hon member for Temiscouata (Mr. Pouliot), if he cannot hear he should go back to his former seat.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I wish to thank the hon. member for York-Sunbury (Mr. Hanson) for his kindness in saying that we ought not to be too technical at this time, but take the course that will enable us to proceed most rapidly with the business of the house at this particular session.

Motion agreed to.

SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE

PROPOSED GENERAL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): I wish now to read to the house a motion which I am handing to the clerk and which will appear in the *Votes and Proceedings* of to-day. I am giving it to the house at this moment so that hon. members will be informed of the resolution at the earliest possible moment. It is a resolution that I intend proposing in the form of a joint resolution, the same resolution to be proposed in each house of parliament, respecting the

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proposals for the establishment of a general international organization for the maintenance of international peace and security.

As the house is aware, some few days ago, on March 5 to be exact, an invitation was extended to Canada by the government of the United States, on its own behalf and on behalf of the governments of the U.S.S.R., the United Kingdom and the Republic of China, to be present at a conference to be held at San Francisco on April 25, 1945, to prepare a charter for a general organization for the maintenance of international peace and security. I have in my hand a copy of the invitation that was extended, and also a copy of the reply made by our government.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): Will they appear in the *Votes and Proceedings*?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I was just going to ask if the house would allow me to table them and have them appear to-morrow in the *Votes and Proceedings* of to-day.

The motion will be as follows:—

That it is expedient that the Houses of Parliament do approve the following resolution:

Whereas the government of Canada has been invited by the government of the United States of America, on behalf of itself and of the governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Republic of China, to send representatives to a conference of the United Nations to be held on April 25, 1945, at San Francisco in the United States of America to prepare a charter for a general international organization for the maintenance of international peace and security, and

Whereas the invitation suggests that the conference consider as affording a basis for such a charter the proposals for the establishment of a general international organization which have been made public by the four governments which participated in the discussions at Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, and

Whereas the government of Canada has accepted the invitation to send representatives to this conference,

Therefore be it resolved—

1. that this house endorses the acceptance by the government of Canada of the invitation to send representatives to the conference;

2. that this house recognize that the establishment of an effective international organization for the maintenance of international peace and security is of vital importance to Canada, and, indeed, to the future well-being of mankind; and that it is in the interests of Canada that Canada should become a member of such an organization;

3. that this house approves the purposes and principles set forth in the proposals of the four governments, and considers that these proposals constitute a satisfactory general basis for a discussion of the charter of the proposed international organization;