- 1. Page 4, clause 9:
 - (a) Add, immediately after subclause (1), the following:
 - "(2) The national executive board may, at any time between the holding of conventions, make by-laws referred to in subsection (1), and such by-laws shall come into force on the day on which they are approved by a majority of ballots cast in a referendum held in accordance with the by-laws."
 - (b) Strike out line 42 and substitute the following:
 - "(3) The national executive board shall be"
 - (c) Strike out line 44 and substitute the following:
 - "(4) Each by-law remains in force until"

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Donahoe Deputy Chairman

Senator Donahoe moved that the report be placed on the Orders of the Day for consideration at the next sitting of the Senate.

Motion agreed to.

MONTILAC LTD. AND SOCAM LTD.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Richard A. Donahoe, Deputy Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs, presented the following report:

Thursday, November 13, 1980

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs to which has been referred the Bill S-13 intituled: "An Act to revive Montilac Ltd. and Socam Ltd.," has, in obedience to the order of reference of Wednesday, November 12, 1980, examined the said bill and now reports the same without amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Donahoe Deputy Chairman

Senator Donahoe moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

Motion agreed to.

TREMUS INDUSTRIES LIMITED—REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Richard A. Donahoe, Deputy Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs, presented the following report:

Thursday, November 13, 1980

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs to which has been referred the Bill S-14 intituled: "An Act to revive Tremus Industries Limited," has, in obedience to the order of reference of Wednesday, November 12, 1980, examined the said bill and now reports the same without amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Donahoe Deputy Chairman

Senator Donahoe moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

Motion agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate and notwith-standing rule 45(1)(g), I move that when the Senate adjourns today it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, November 18, 1980, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted, honourable senators?

Hon. Jacques Flynn (Leader of the Opposition): I should like to ask the Deputy Leader of the Government if the motion could not have been put last Thursday.

Senator Frith: As I understand it, it would have been quite in order to have put it last Thursday, yes.

Motion agreed to.

THE CONSTITUTION

SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE—QUESTIONS RESPECTING PROCEDURE—SPEAKER'S RULING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, before proceeding to the Question Period, I should like to give the house my ruling on the proposal made by the Leader of the Opposition last Thursday.

During the Question Period of Thursday, November 6, the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition addressed a question to the Joint Chairman of the Special Joint Committee on the Constitution, which he thought admissible under subparagraph 20(1)(c) of the Rules of the Senate, which reads as follows: [Translation]

- 20. (1) When the Speaker calls the question period, a senator may, without notice, address an oral question to
 - (a) —
 - (b) -
 - (c) —the chairman of a committee, if it is a question relating to the activities of that committee.

The question asked by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition was as follows:

[English]

HON. JACQUES FLYNN (LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION): Honourable senators, now that we are blessed with the presence of Senator Hays, the Joint Chairman of what I suppose I can call the Constitution Committee, I wonder if I could ask him to inform the Senate of the main decisions taken at this morning's meeting, and whether they are positive or negative.

• (1410)

Whereupon the Honourable Senator Frith raised a point of order based on citation 357, paragraph (1) subparagraph (hh)