

## THE SENATE

Tuesday, January 11, 1955

The Senate met at 8 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

Routine Proceedings.

## LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT BILL

FIRST READING

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald** presented Bill B, an Act to amend the Library of Parliament Act.

The bill was read the first time.

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

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald:** With leave, next sitting.

## PRECIOUS METALS MARKING BILL

FIRST READING

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald** presented Bill C, an Act to amend the Precious Metals Marking Act.

The bill was read the first time.

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

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald:** With leave, next sitting.

WINNIPEG AND ST. BONIFACE  
HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS BILL

FIRST READING

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald** presented Bill D, an Act to amend The Winnipeg and St. Boniface Harbour Commissioners Act.

The bill was read the first time.

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

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald:** With leave, at the next sitting.

## TERRITORIAL LANDS BILL

FIRST READING

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald** presented Bill E, an Act to amend the Territorial Lands Act.

The bill was read the first time.

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

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald:** With leave, next sitting.

FOREIGN AIRCRAFT  
THIRD PARTY DAMAGE BILL

FIRST READING

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald** presented Bill F, an Act to implement the Convention on damage caused by foreign aircraft to third parties on the surface.

The bill was read the first time.

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

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald:** With leave, at the next sitting.

THE LATE SENATORS BUCHANAN  
AND BEAUREGARD

TRIBUTES TO THEIR MEMORY

**Hon. W. Ross Macdonald:** Honourable senators, since we last met, the Grim Reaper has taken from our midst two of our highly respected and dearly beloved senators. The Honourable Senator W. A. Buchanan of Lethbridge passed away on July 11 of last year. It was my great privilege to have known the late Senator Buchanan as a close friend from the time I first entered the House of Commons, in 1935. As a member of the House of Commons he always took a keen interest in young newcomers to that chamber, and throughout the years I valued his friendship and advice most highly.

It is difficult to refer to the late Senator Buchanan without calling to mind the rugged individualism which characterized his whole life and public career. His willingness to accept new challenges at every point of life, and a devotion to substance rather than form, marked his rise to pre-eminence in his chosen field of news publication as well as in public service.

The late W. A. Buchanan was a son of the manse. He was born at South Monaghan, Ontario, on July 2, 1876, to the Reverend William and Mary Pendrie Buchanan. His father, being a clergyman, was required to move from place to place, with the result that the senator received his early education at a number of public schools throughout the country. I will mention some of them: Norwood, Warkworth, Brighton and Trenton. He left school at the age of 16 years and immediately took a job as a printer's devil with the Peterborough *Examiner*. Afterwards he was employed as a reporter with the Peterborough *Review*, and later in 1899, he went to Toronto, to work on the *Evening Telegram*, of which he became city editor, and subsequently news editor. With this experience