possible conflicts of interest of Members of the House of Commons and the Senate.

Amendments will be proposed to the Public Service Staff Relations Act.

You will be asked to consider other legislative proposals.

Members of the House of Commons,

The Government intends to present a budget early in this Session.

You will be asked to appropriate the funds required to carry on the services and expenditures authorized by Parliament.

Honourable Members of the Senate,

Members of the House of Commons,

May Divine Providence guide you in your deliberations.

The House of Commons withdrew.

His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of Canada was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

RAILWAYS BILL

FIRST READING

Senator Langlois presented Bill S-1, relating to railways.

Bill read first time.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

CONSIDERATION OCTOBER 1

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of Canada has caused to be placed in my hands a copy of his Speech delivered this day from the Throne to the two Houses of Parliament. It is as follows:

Hon. Senators: Dispense.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this Speech be taken into consideration?

Senator Langlois moved, seconded by Senator Bourget:

That the Speech of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of Canada, delivered this day from the Throne to the two Houses of Parliament be taken into consideration tomorrow, Tuesday, the first day of October, 1974.

Motion agreed to.

COMMITTEE ON ORDERS AND CUSTOMS

APPOINTMENT

Senator Langlois moved, seconded by Senator Grosart:

That all the senators present during this session be appointed a committee to consider the Orders and Customs of the Senate and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said committee have leave to meet in the Senate Chamber when and as often as they please. Motion agreed to.

COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

APPOINTMENT

Senator Langlois moved, seconded by Senator Grosart:

That pursuant to Rule 66, the following senators, to wit: The Honourable Senators Bourget, Choquette, Denis, Flynn, Grosart, Inman, Langlois, Macdonald (Cape Breton), Perrault, Petten and Quart, be appointed a Committee of Selection to nominate Senators to serve on the several standing committees during the present session; and to report with all convenient speed the names of the senators so nominated.

Motion agreed to.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Senator Langlois tabled:

Report on operations under the Regional Development Incentives Act for the months of March 1974 to June 1974, inclusive, pursuant to section 16 of the said Act, Chapter R-3, R.S.C., 1970.

Copies of Statement on operations under the Veterans Insurance Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1974, pursuant to section 18(2) of the said Act, Chapter V-3, R.S.C., 1970.

Copies of Statement on operations under The Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1974, pursuant to section 17(2), Chapter 59, Statutes of Canada, 1851.

Report of the number and amount of Loans to Immigrants made under section 65(1) of the Immigration Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1974, pursuant to section 65(6) of the said Act, Chapter I-2, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of Air Canada for the year ended December 31, 1973, pursuant to section 27 of the Air Canada Act, Chapter A-11, R.S.C., 1970.

Auditors' report to Parliament on the accounts of the Canadian National Railway System for the year ended December 31, 1972, pursuant to section 40 of the Canadian National Railways Act, Chapter C-10, R.S.C., 1970.

Auditors' report to Parliament on the accounts of the Canadian National Railway System for the year ended December 31, 1973, pursuant to section 40 of the Canadian National Railways Act, Chapter C-10, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of the Canadian National Railways for the year ended December 31, 1973, pursuant to section 40 of the Canadian National Railways Act, Chapter C-10, R.S.C. 1970.

Report of the Canadian National Railways Securities Trust for the year ended December 31, 1973, pursuant to section 17 of the Canadian National Railways Capital Revision Act, Chapter 311, R.S.C., 1952.