## Confidential

## Questions requiring Decisions re Opening of a Special Session

## Remarks

1. Date of Opening:

Special Sessions opened: 1914 - Tuesday, Aug. 18; 1930 - Monday, Sept. 8;

Holidays and religious festivals, Sept. and Oct., 1939:

Monday, Sept. 4 - Labour Day; Friday, Sept. 29 - Michaelmas Day; Monday, Oct. 9 - Thanksgiving.

2. Time of Opening:

1914 - 300 p.m. (not a new Parliament)

1930 - 12.00 noon (new Parliament met early to select Speaker; Session formally opened at 3.p.m.)

3. Speech from the Throne:

(a) Mover and Seconder

(See Appendix No. 1)

(b) Is debate to be limited to Mover, Seconder, Leader of Opposition, P.M., Mr. Woodsworth, and Mr. Blackmore?

Debate limited:

1914: Mover and Seconder, L. of O. and P.M.;

1930: Mover and Seconder, L. of O., P.M., Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Woodsworth, Mr. Bourassa.

(c) Is reply to be moved on Opening Day?

1914: On day following Opening;

1930: On Opening day.

(d) Will Government seek to have debate continued on same day as Address moved and seconded?

1914: Completed in one day;

1930: L. of O. moved adjournment of debate to following day - on which day debate was completed.

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