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11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Diefenbaker, for Mr. Harkness, seconded by Mr. Green, moved,—That it is expedient that the Houses of Parliament approve the Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of Saskatchewan respecting the South Saskatchewan River Project, signed on the 25th day of July, 1958, and that this House do approve the same.

And a debate arising thereon;

Mr. Dumas, seconded by Mr. McMillan, moved in amendment thereto,—That all the words after 1958 in the Resolution be struck out and the following substituted therefor:

"but that this approval be not given until a measure preceded by the recommendation of the Governor General thereto has been introduced by the Government providing for the authorization of the necessary expenditures for the whole project."

RULING BY MR. SPEAKER.

Mr. Speaker: While this amendment might be appropriate on a bill, I am not clear that it is in order on a resolution. I should like to refer the honourable Member who has moved the amendment to the obstacles which I see to it in case he has some citation or authority which would change the view which appears to me to be appropriate at this time. Citation 203 of Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, Fourth Edition, deals with amendments. Paragraph (1) reads:

It is an imperative rule that every amendment must be relevant to the question on which the amendment is proposed. Every amendment