

to the nation. You also have an extra responsibility in the present circumstances to represent the nation to your constituents. It is a task no one else can fulfill. My Government is prepared to co-operate fully in helping you to achieve this.

Members of the House of Commons:

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 Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

RAILWAYS BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government) presented Bill S-1, relating to railways.

Bill read first time.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

CONSIDERATION NEXT SITTING

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General 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?

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government) moved:

That the Speech delivered this day from the Throne to the two Houses of Parliament be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the Senate.

Motion agreed to.

COMMITTEE ON ORDERS AND CUSTOMS

APPOINTMENT

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government) moved:

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

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government) moved:

That, pursuant to rule 66, the following senators, to wit: the Honourable Senators Bélisle, Denis, Flynn, Frith, Inman, Langlois, Macdonald, Muir, Perrault, Petten and Roblin, be appointed a Committee of Selection to nominate senators to serve on the several select committees during the present session; and to report with all convenient speed the names of the senators so nominated.

Motion agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.
