

Canadians, in the hope that it would do something to acquaint Canadians more fully with the unique culture and background history, economic, religious, educational and cultural, of what is at one and the same time the newest part and the oldest part of Canada. Thank you very much.

### THE CONSTITUTION

#### SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE—CHANGE IN COMMONS MEMBERSHIP

**The Hon. the Speaker** informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons to acquaint the Senate of changes in the list of members appointed to serve on the Special Joint Committee on the Constitution of Canada.

(For text of message, see today's *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate*.)

### NORTHERN PIPELINE

#### SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE PRESENTED

**Hon. Earl A. Hastings**, Chairman of the Special Committee of the Senate on the Northern Pipeline, presented the following report:

Wednesday, December 10, 1980

The Special Committee of the Senate on the Northern Pipeline presents its second report as follows:

Your committee recommends that it be authorized to examine and report upon all aspects of the transmission and distribution of natural gas in Quebec and the Maritime provinces.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl A. Hastings,  
*Chairman.*

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

**Senator Hastings:** I move that the report be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

**Senator Smith:** Honourable senators, I should like to direct a purely technical question to the chairman of the committee. Can he give us any information on when the printed proceedings of the committee for the last two or three meetings will be available? I realize the difficulties that are involved and I am not being critical. I would just like to know if the chairman can give us any help in that respect.

• (1415)

**Senator Hastings:** Honourable senators, the last two issues will be in the mail this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

Motion agreed to.

[Senator Rowe.]

### CORPORATIONS AND LABOUR UNIONS RETURNS ACT

#### BILL TO AMEND—REPORT OF COMMITTEE PRESENTED

**Hon. A. Irvine Barrow**, Deputy Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce, presented the following report:

Tuesday, December 9, 1980

The Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce, to which was referred Bill S-10, intitled: "An Act to amend the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act", has, in obedience to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, October 7, 1980, examined the said bill and reports the same with the following amendments:

1. *Page 9*, clause 4.2: Add, immediately after line 22, the following:

"(3) For the purposes of this section, information relating to transactions involving transfers of technology shall be deemed not to include any scientific or technical description of any product or process."

2. *Page 16*: Add, immediately after line 10, the following:

"14. This Act shall come into force on a day to be fixed by proclamation."

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. Barrow  
*Deputy Chairman*

He said: Honourable senators, the second amendment is self-explanatory. In connection with the first amendment, there were objections raised by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and the Canadian Chemical Producers Association to the particular section that this amends, and, after consultation with the minister and those three bodies, this particular amendment was agreed upon, and it was satisfactory to your committee.

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

**Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government):** Honourable senators, this bill was before us on another occasion and has been studied by the committee. Senator Stanbury was the sponsor of the bill, and I see that he is in the chamber, although I had been led to understand that he would not be there this afternoon. I hoped to have had third reading of the bill either later today or tomorrow, since it has already received careful examination here. Members will recall that it relieves a large number of corporations of the need to report, and so its speedy adoption would be welcomed by a large number of Canadians. I therefore suggest that the report be taken into consideration either later today or at the next sitting.

**Hon. Duff Roblin (Deputy Leader of the Opposition):** Honourable senators, I should like to suggest that we do not proceed with consideration of the report today, because the