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S. RES. 349

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 10 (calendar day, FEBRUARY 6), 1933

Mr. BLACK submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads

FEBRUARY 10 (calendar day, FEBRUARY 15), 1933

Reported by Mr. MCKELLAR, with amendments, and referred to the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate

FEBRUARY 21 (calendar day, FEBRUARY 24), 1933

Reported by Mr. TOWNSEND, with an additional amendment

FEBRUARY 25, 1933

Considered, amended, and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That a special committee of the Senate, to be appointed by the President of the Senate after March 4, 1933, three from the majority political party and two from the minority political party, is authorized and directed to investigate and make a full, complete, and detailed inquiry into all existing contracts entered into by the Postmaster General for the carriage of air mail and ocean mail, both foreign and domestic, with a view to determining particularly (1) all the circumstances surrounding the execution and continuation of, and the necessity, if any, of maintaining, altering, or canceling such contracts; (2) the organiza-

1 tion and financial condition of the associations, partnerships,
2 or corporations with which such contracts have been entered
3 into, including a study of their capital stock, authorized and
4 paid in, their receipts and expenditures, their total outlay
5 in salaries paid to officers, executives, and employees,
6 whether by way of bonus or otherwise, and their relation-
7 ship, whether by interlocking directorates or otherwise,
8 with any other individual, association, public official, partner-
9 ship, or corporation, commercial or banking; (3) the extent
10 of any activities by or on behalf of any association, partner-
11 ship, or corporation with which such contracts have been
12 entered into, in any effort to obtain, through legislation or
13 otherwise, cash subsidies from the United States; and (4)
14 any other facts relating to legislation or appropriations
15 affecting air mail and ocean mail contracts, both foreign and
16 domestic. The committee shall report to the Senate, as soon
17 as practicable, the results of its investigations, together with
18 its recommendations.

19 For the purposes of this resolution the committee, or
20 any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, is authorized to
21 hold such hearings, to sit and act at such times and places
22 during the sessions and recesses of the Senate in the Seventy-
23 second and succeeding Congresses, to employ such clerical
24 and other assistants, to require by subpœna or otherwise
25 the attendance of such witnesses and the production of

1 such books, papers, and documents, to administer such
2 oaths, to take such testimony, and to make such expendi-
3 tures, as it deems advisable. The cost of stenographic
4 services to report such hearings shall not be in excess of
5 25 cents per hundred words. The expenses of the com-
6 mittee, which shall not exceed $5,000, shall be paid from
7 the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved
8 by the chairman.