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Queen Elizabeth II,

**BEING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN**

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MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

GEORGE PORTEOUS,
Lieutenant Governor,
(L.S.)

CANADA
PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom,
Canada and Her other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the
Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

To OUR FAITHFUL the MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly
of Our Province of Saskatchewan, and to every one of you, GREETING:

A P R O C L A M A T I O N

K. M. LYSYK,
Deputy
Attorney General

WHEREAS, it is expedient for causes
and considerations to convene the
Legislative Assembly of Our Prov-
ince of Saskatchewan, WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others
in this behalf interested on FRIDAY, the TWELFTH day of MARCH, 1976,
at Our City of Regina, personally be and appear for the despatch of
Business, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said
Province of Saskatchewan and thereby do as may seem necessary, HEREIN
FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we have caused Our Letters to be made Patent
and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Saskatchewan to be
hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: Our right trusty and well beloved THE HONOURABLE GEORGE
PORTEOUS, M.B.E., C.M., Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of
Saskatchewan.

AT OUR CAPITAL CITY OF REGINA, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-FOURTH
day of FEBRUARY, in the year of Our Lord ONE THOUSAND AND NINE
HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX, and in the TWENTY-FIFTH year of Our
Reign.

By Command,

L. J. BEAUDRY,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Province of Saskatchewan

SECOND SESSION

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Regina, Friday, March 12, 1976

9:58 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly that he had received a communication from the Private Secretary to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor stating that His Honour would open the Session at ten o'clock a.m. today, Friday, the Twelfth day of March, 1976.

10:01 o'clock a.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the Chamber and, having taken his seat upon the Throne, was pleased to open the Session with the following Speech:—

MR. SPEAKER,

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

It is my privilege to welcome you to the Second Session of the Eighteenth Legislature of Saskatchewan.

THE ECONOMY AND INFLATION

The halting performance of the Canadian economy in 1975 was confirmed last week when the federal government released figures showing virtually no growth in real terms over 1974. It was Canada's worst year, in relative terms, in over two decades.

In contrast, the Saskatchewan economy—spurred by record farm incomes and high resource revenues—achieved a new level of performance. Our gross provincial product for the first time exceeded \$6 billion.

Although the outlook in Saskatchewan for 1976 is for continued growth at a somewhat more moderate pace, the threat of unchecked inflation is for us, as for all of Canada, the most urgent problem to be faced.

My Government remains firm in its belief that a nation-wide effort is needed to help control inflation. My Government has enacted rent control legislation. My Ministers have set up the Saskatchewan Public Sector Price and Compensation Board. Price and compensation guidelines have been announced.

My Minister of Finance will, in his Budget Speech, announce additional measures to restrain public expenditures.

LEGISLATION TO BE RE-INTRODUCED

When the first Session was prorogued in late January, 13 Bills introduced by my Ministers remained unpassed. A number of these measures will be re-introduced in the current Session, including:

- amendments to *The Fire Prevention Act*;
- amendments to *The Northern Co-operative Trading Services Act, 1959*;
- amendments to *The Dairy Products Act*;
- amendments to *The Agricultural Products Market Development Fund Act, 1974*;
- amendments to *The Rural Telephone Act* and *The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act*; and
- amendments to *The Forest Act*.

AGRICULTURE

You will be asked to approve amendments to *The Conservation and Development Act*, *The Agriculture Implements Act, 1968*, and *The Veterinarians Act*.

SNOWMOBILES

You will be asked to consider legislation which will clarify the law relating to the responsibility of snowmobilers for their own safety when operating on private land and for liability with respect to damage caused to private property.

HEALTH

To protect persons who provide emergency medical assistance at the scene of an accident from the possibility of civil suit, you will be asked to approve a new Emergency Medical Aid Act.

Amendments to *The Prescription Drugs Act, 1974*, and *The Mental Health Act* will also be placed before you.

HOUSING

Housing starts in Saskatchewan in 1975 set a new record, yet demand for residential units continues to exceed supply. Because of the singular success of provincial housing programs, you will be asked to approve legislation which will raise the borrowing limits of the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation.

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

My Government recognizes that many problems of growth and development face our urban centres. At this Session you will be asked to approve legislation to reorganize the Department of Municipal Affairs to give greater emphasis to the solution of urban problems.

OLYMPICS

March has been proclaimed as "Salute the Olympics Month" in Saskatchewan. I know the people of this province would wish me to extend their best wishes to the Saskatchewan athletes who will be representing Canada in the summer Olympic Games.

For the first time Saskatchewan artists and cultural groups will be involved in the Olympics. Under funding from the Department of Culture and Youth, the Ministers' Special Fund of the Western Canada Lottery, and Sask Sport, Saskatchewan will participate in the Olympic Art and Culture program. A ceramic display representing a Saskatchewan community, an exhibition of paintings by Saskatchewan artists, performances by Persephone and Globe Theatres, and performances by seven multicultural dance troupes will be featured in the Province's portion of this program.

BRIER

Just 21 years ago our capital city of Regina hosted Canada's curling classic, the Macdonald Brier, for the first time. The winners on that occasion, Garnet Campbell and his brothers of Avonlea, were honoured in this Assembly.

Today, the Brier is back in Regina. I wish to welcome all the participants, here from every Province of Canada and the Territories, and all those who have come to see the greatest display of curling our country has to offer.

The Public Accounts for the last fiscal year, together with the Estimates for the year beginning April 1, 1976, will be submitted to you.

I leave you now to the business of the Session with the full confidence that you will favourably discharge your duties and responsibilities.

May Divine Providence continue to bless our Province and guide this Legislature in all its deliberations.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Chamber.

Leave of the Assembly having been granted to open the sitting at a time earlier than that stated in Rule 3(1), Mr. Speaker read: —

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly that Colleen Jesse, Margaret Kosa, Joyce Mackenzie and Jacqui McAfee would be Pages during the present Session.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Blakeney that a Bill respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office be now introduced and read the first time.

Question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

Mr. Speaker then informed the Assembly that, in order to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid upon the Table.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor be taken into consideration later today.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Collver, seconded by Mr. Larter in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added to the motion:

“And that notwithstanding Rule 12(1) and Rule 84, when the debate on the Address-in-Reply has been adjourned on Tuesday, March 16, 1976, the debate shall stand adjourned until the sitting day following the conclusion of the Budget debate, in order that the Assembly may receive the Budget on Wednesday, March 17, 1976.”

The debate continuing, and the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived.

The question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Messer:

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this Assembly be printed, after first having been perused by Mr. Speaker; that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

Ordered, That *Messieurs* Dyck, Mostoway, Pepper, Malone and Birkbeck be constituted a Select Special Committee to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this Assembly, provided under Rule 86;

That the said Select Standing Committees be severally empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by this Assembly, and to report from time to time their observations thereon; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to examine witnesses under oath; and

That the said Select Special Committee consider the size of the Select Standing Committees and to report thereon with all convenient speed.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by Mr. Steuart:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing since the last Session of two former Members of this Assembly, and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contributions they made to their community, their constituency and to this Province:

JOHN TAYLOR DOUGLAS, who died on February 19, 1976, was a Member of this Legislature for the constituency of Rosetown from 1944 to 1960. He was born on October 28, 1892, at Cumberland, Ontario. In 1906, he moved to Saskatchewan with his parents and obtained his high school education. He attended the College of Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan and subsequently became a farmer in the Laura district. He was Minister of Highways and Transportation throughout his sixteen years in the Legislature and was Minister of Public Works from 1944 to 1948. He served as chairman of the board of the Saskatchewan Transportation Company. He was active in community affairs as a member of the Board of Elders of Laura United Church, as a member of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association, as a coach of the Laura Hockey Club, and as Superintendent of Creekfield Sunday School.

PETER ANTON HOWE, who died on February 3, 1976, was a Member of this Legislature for the constituency of Kelvington from 1938 to 1960. He was born in Warren, Minnesota, in 1888 and came to Canada in 1906 to the Foam Lake district where he farmed. For many years he served as a School Trustee and Secretary, was a Member of the Leslie Co-operative Association and a delegate to the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. He acted as Party Whip from 1945 to 1960.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathies with members of the bereaved families.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by Mr. Steuart:

Ordered, That the Resolution just passed, together with the transcripts of oral tributes to the memory of the deceased Members, be communicated to the bereaved families on behalf of this Assembly by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, as Chairman, laid before the Assembly, pursuant to a Resolution of the Assembly dated December 22, 1975, the Interim Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures dated March 12, 1976.
(Sessional Paper No. 1)

The Order of the Day having been called for consideration of the Speech of His Honour at the opening of the Session, Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson moved:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE GEORGE PORTEOUS

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Steuart: "That this debate be now adjourned".

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	Whelan	Thompson
Pepper	Kaeding	Banda
Thibault	Dyck	Steuart
Smishek	McNeill	Stodalka
Romanow	MacAuley	Wiebe
Messer	Feschuk	Malone
Snyder	Rolfes	MacDonald
Byers	Cowley	Penner
Kramer	Tchorzewski	Cameron
Baker	Matsalla	Edwards
Lange	Skoberg	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)
Kowalchuk	Vickar	Anderson
Robbins	Nelson (Yorkton)	Merchant
MacMurchy	Allen	Thatcher
Mostoway	Koskie	
Larson	Johnson	

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NAYS

Collver	Bailey	Katzman
Larter	Berntson	Birkbeck

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Moved by Mr. Pepper, seconded by Mr. Malone:

That the Interim Report of the Select Special Committee on Rules and Procedures be now concurred in.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:07 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, March 15, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Mostoway from the Select Special Committee appointed to consider the size of the Select Standing Committees and to prepare lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees of the Assembly, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee recommends that the Members whose names appear on the appended lists compose the Select Standing Committees of the Assembly under Rule 86—

AGRICULTURE

Banda	Kaeding	McNeill
Anderson	Katzman	Messer
Berntson	Koskie	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)
Birkbeck	Kwasnica	Pepper
Cameron	Lange	Stodalka
Dyck	Larson	Thatcher
Faris	Matsalla	Thibault
Johnson	McMillan	Vickar

Quorum to be a majority

CROWN CORPORATIONS

Koskie	Faris	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)
Banda	Johnson	Nelson (Yorkton)
Blakeney	Larter	Steuart
Cameron	McNeill	Thatcher
Collver	Messer	
Cowley	Mostoway	

Quorum to be a majority

EDUCATION

Nelson (Yorkton)	Clifford	Rolfes
Allen	Edwards	Shillington
Anderson	Feschuk	Skoberg
Bailey	Kowalchuk	Smishek
Baker	MacAuley	Snyder
Berntson	MacDonald	Stodalka
Birkbeck	MacMurchy	Tchorzewski
Blakeney	Penner	Thompson

Quorum to be a majority

LAW AMENDMENTS AND DELEGATED POWERS

Allen	Faris	Robbins
Anderson	Ham	Rolfes
Bailey	Kowalchuk	Romanow
Baker	Lane	Skoberg
Banda	Lange	Snyder
Byers	Larter	Thibault
Cameron	Matsalla	Whelan
Edwards	McMillan	Wiebe

Quorum to be a majority

LIBRARY

	Mr. Speaker and	
Clifford	Katzman	Malone
Feschuk	Kwasnica	Mostoway
Kaeding	Lange	Wiebe

Quorum to be a majority

MUNICIPAL LAW

Baker	Kramer	Nelson (Yorkton)
Bailey	Kwasnica	Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg)
Berntson	Lange	Penner
Clifford	MacAuley	Rolfes
Edwards	MacMurchy	Thompson
Feschuk	Matsalla	Vickar
Ham	McMillan	Wiebe
Kaeding	Messer	

Quorum to be a majority

NON-CONTROVERSIAL BILLS

Cameron	Faris	Rolfes
Birkbeck	Ham	Vickar
Clifford	Merchant	

Quorum to be a majority

PRIVATE BILLS

Allen	Koskie	Nelson (Yorkton)
Bailey	Kowalchuk	Penner
Banda	Kwasnica	Romanow
Byers	Lange	Snyder
Dyck	MacAuley	Stodalka
Edwards	MacDonald	Thatcher
Ham	McNeill	Thibault
Katzman	Merchant	Vickar

Quorum to be a majority

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Baker	Larter	Robbins
Allen	MacMurchy	Romanow
Banda	McNeill	Steuart
Feschuk	Merchant	Tchorzewski
Katzman	Nelson (Yorkton)	Wiebe
Lane		

Quorum to be a majority

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND PRINTING

Lane	Faris	Penner
Allen	Feschuk	Skoberg
Byers	MacMurchy	Vickar
Collver	Merchant	Whelan

Quorum to be a majority

RADIO BROADCASTING OF SELECTED PROCEEDINGS

Mostoway	Kowalchuk	Merchant
Birkbeck	Kwasnica	Pepper
Dyck	Malone	

Quorum to be a majority

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Skoberg	Katzman	Pepper
Cameron	Koskie	Thibault
Dyck	Kramer	Whelan
Feschuk	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)	Wiebe

Quorum to be a majority

On motion of Mr. Mostoway, seconded by Mr. Malone:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Special Committee appointed to consider the size of the Select Standing Committees and to prepare lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees of the Assembly, be now concurred in.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the matter of division of radio time arranged for the current Session be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Radio Broadcasting of Selected Proceedings, the said Committee to report its recommendations thereon with all convenient speed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Retention and Disposal Schedules approved by the Public Documents Committee be referred as tabled, to the Select Standing Committee on Library.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Report of the Provincial Auditor for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1975, be referred, as tabled, to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Annual Reports and Financial Statements of the various Crown Corporations and related Agencies as were tabled at the First Session of the Eighteenth Legislature, plus the Annual Reports and Financial Statements, as tabled in the present Session, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1975, Sessional Paper No. 97, 1975/76, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Leave of Absence be granted to the Honourable Member for Pelly, on and from Monday, the 15th day of March, 1976, to Thursday, the 15th day of April, 1976, to attend on behalf of this Assembly, the 25th Parliamentary Seminar in London, organized by the United Kingdom Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to Rule 105, the report of the Legislative Librarian dated March 15, 1976, which is as follows:—

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE LIBRARIAN

REGINA, MARCH 15, 1976.

To the Honourable

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

Sir:

The only necessary addition to the Annual Report of the Legislative Library for 1974/75, which was submitted on November 13, 1975, is a correction. The correct figure for books borrowed from the general collection is 3259, the discrepancy having resulted from over-confidence in the operation of a machine.

Respectfully submitted

Christine MacDonald
Legislative Librarian

(Sessional Paper No. 12)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

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We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Mostoway, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding, a member of the Executive Council:

Orders and Regulations made under The Provincial Lands Act, Chapter 48, R.S.S. 1965, Section 22.

(Sessional Paper No. 2)

Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the twelve months ended March 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 3)

By the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of Grain Handling and Transportation Systems Rationalization for the twelve months ended March 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 4)

Annual Report of the Local Government Board for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Transportation Company for the year ending October 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 6)

By the Hon. Mr. Romanow, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Public and Private Rights Board for the year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 7)

Annual Report of the Law Reform Commission of Saskatchewan for the year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 8)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Community Legal Services Commission for the year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 9)

By the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the University of Saskatchewan for the year 1974-75.

(Sessional Paper No. 10)

Annual Report of the Provincial Library for the year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 11)

By the Hon. Mr. Byers, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Telecommunications for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 13)

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended June 30, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 14)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Oil and Gas Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 15)

Return (No. 34) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated December 9, 1975 on the motion of Mr. Larter, showing:

(a) The amount of money taken into general revenue by the Province of Saskatchewan from the Saskatchewan Land Titles system and the Land Titles Offices in Saskatchewan for each of the fiscal years 1965-66 and 1974-75 inclusive; (b) The number of approved positions in the budgets, their categories and salaries, in the various Land Titles Offices including individual Land Titles Offices for the fiscal years 1965-66 to 1974-75 inclusive; (c) Total volume of work in the fiscal years 1965-66 to 1974-75 inclusive; (d) The average time lag in processing of work in the various Land Titles Offices, including individual Land Titles Offices, in the fiscal years 1965-66 to 1974-75 inclusive.

(Sessional Paper No. 16)

Return (No. 1) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated January 6, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), showing:

(1) A list of the dates and locations of the meetings of the Board of Directors of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation during the calendar years: (a) 1973; (b) 1974; (c) from January 1, 1975 to July 13, 1975. (2) The names of the members of the Board at each of those meetings. (3) The names of the members of the Board as of July 1, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 17)

Return (No. 25) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 21, 1975 on the motion of Mrs. Edwards, showing:

(1) Whether there is any provincial legislation which sets out standards for private homes giving care to senior citizens in Saskatchewan. (2) If so (a) the number of private homes that are licensed under such legislation; (b) the number of times these homes are inspected and by whom; (c) the number of patients the private homes giving care are allowed to have, before a license and inspection are required; (d) whether all private homes giving care, regardless of the number of patients, are required to have such a license.

(Sessional Paper No. 18)

Return (No. 71) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated January 23, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Lane, showing:

(1) Whether the Government of Saskatchewan or any of its Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions or Crown Corporations leased

premises from Parkview Properties Ltd. or property described as Parkview Place. (2) If so (a) the date of such lease (b) copies of the said lease.

(Sessional Paper No. 19)

Return (No. 62) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated January 9, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Ham, showing:

The costs per day to the S.P.C. of maintaining service crews (small main extension crews) in Swift Current for the year 1974. (a) the expenses per day incurred presently to the S.P.C. in Swift Current and District where the service crews are brought in. (b) the estimated time required by the S.P.C. to repair major gas breakdowns from the Hatton Station with centralized service crews. (c) the time required by the S.P.C. to repair major gas breakdowns at the Hatton Station when crews were located in Swift Current.

(Sessional Paper No. 20)

Return (No. 68) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated January 23, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Lane, showing:

(a) The number of buildings in Regina in which the Government of Saskatchewan or any of its Departments, Boards, Agencies and Commissions lease space; (b) the total number of square feet leased; (c) the highest rental cost and location of space leased; (d) the lowest rental cost and location of space leased.

(Sessional Paper No. 21)

Return (No. 32) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 28, 1975 on the motion of Mr. Thatcher, showing:

(1) Whether the Government of Saskatchewan did seek the advice of a solicitor or solicitors in Toronto with regard to the drafting of Bill No. 1—the Potash Development Act, 1975. (2) If so, (a) the name or names of the solicitor or solicitors; (b) the date or dates when the above were first contacted or consulted; (c) (i) the fees, to date, that have been paid for such services (ii) or if such accounts have not been received, the estimated amount of fees; (d) whether such accounts are all that are expected.

(Sessional Paper No. 22)

Return (No. 2) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated December 2, 1975 on the motion of Mr. Penner, showing:

The percentage of school operating costs that was paid by the provincial government by direct grants to each school district in the fiscal year 1974-75.

(Sessional Paper No. 23)

Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the following Professional Association and amendments thereto, under provisions of the Act:

Of the Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association.

(Sessional Paper No. 24)

The Assembly adjourned at 4:02 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, March 16, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Before Orders of the Day, a Point of Order was raised questioning the order that Mr. Speaker was recognizing Members of the Opposition during the Oral Question period. Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

Before Orders of the Day, Mr. Collver rose on a Point of Order seeking the reasons as to why his Oral Question had been ruled out of order. Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

On motion of Mr. Pepper, seconded by Mr. Dyck, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Thompson be substituted for that of Mr. Faris on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

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We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

The debate continuing, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Rolfes: "That this debate be now adjourned".

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney
Pepper
Thibault
Bowerman
Smishek
Romanow
Messer
Snyder
Byers
Kramer
Baker
Lange

Kowalchuk
Robbins
MacMurchy
Mostoway
Whelan
Kaeding
Kwasnica
Dyck
McNeill
Feschuk
Rolfes

Cowley
Tchorzewski
Matsalla
Skoberg
Vickar
Nelson (Yorkton)
Allen
Koskie
Johnson
Thompson
Banda

NAYS

Collver
Larter
Bailey

Berntson
Ham

Katzman
Birkbeck

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Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Matsalla, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Fur Marketing Service for the year ending September 30, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 25)

By the Hon. Mr. Smishek, a member of the Executive Council:

Report of the Provincial Auditor for the year ended March 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 26)

Detail of Expenditure under the Election Act for the fiscal year 1974-75.

(Sessional Paper No. 27)

The Assembly adjourned at 5:20 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, March 17, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

- Bill No. 1—An Act to amend An Act to provide a Superannuation Allowance for a Certain Former Member of the Legislative Assembly.
(Hon. Mr. Blakeney)
- Bill No. 3—An Act respecting Private Investigators and Security Guards.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)
- Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)
- Bill No. 10—An Act to amend The Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources Act, 1974.
(Hon. Mr. Matsalla)
- Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Rural Telephone Act.
(Hon. Mr. Byers)
- Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act.
(Hon. Mr. Byers)
- Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Department of Government Services Act, 1972.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)
- Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)
- Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Fire Prevention Act.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)
- Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Agricultural Products Market Development Fund Act, 1974.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)
- Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Prescription Drugs Act, 1974.
(Hon. Mr. Robbins)
- Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Highways Act.
(Hon. Mr. Kramer)

Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Messer*)

Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Act, 1973.
(*Hon. Mr. MacMurchy*)

The following Bills were received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 2—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act, (No. 1).
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The Provincial Magistrates Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Surrogate Court Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Magistrates' Courts Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 7—An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1969.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Forest Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Matsalla*)

Bill No. 11—An Act to amend The Land Surveys Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Matsalla*)

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Shillington*)

Bill No. 18—An Act to amend The Credit Union Act, 1972.
(*Hon. Mr. Shillington*)

Bill No. 19—An Act to amend The Northern Co-operative Trading Services Act, 1959.
(*Hon. Mr. Shillington*)

Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Motor Dealers Act, 1966.
(*Hon. Mr. Shillington*)

Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Veterinarians Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 22—An Act to repeal The Agricultural Extension Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Animal Protection Act, 1972.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Agricultural Machinery Institute Act, 1974.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Dairy Products Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 27—An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act, 1971.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Change of Name Act.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 29—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 33—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

Bill No. 35—An Act to repeal The Urban Advisory Commission Act, 1972.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

The following Bills were received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Friday:

Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Liquor Act.

(Mr. Pepper)

Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act.

(Mr. Pepper)

On motion of Mr. Malone, seconded by Mr. Lane, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Miss Clifford be substituted for that of Mr. Thatcher on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Before the Orders of the Day yesterday, the Hon. Member for Nipawin asked for the reasons as to why his Oral Question was out of order. I have checked the verbatim transcript with regard to his Oral Question which was as follows:

"Is the Minister attempting to use the Department of Highways to punish areas in Saskatchewan that voted Progressive Conservative in the last provincial election?"

I refer all Hon. Members to the Interim Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures, p. 9 and *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, c. V, p. 147 which is an outline of some of the basic guidelines which are to be followed. I rule that the question was vague in the nature of debate, contained an expression of opinion, was not of sufficient urgency and therefore out of order. It is possible that if the question had been specific and in a different form, the urgency of the matter would have been more apparent.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Before the Orders of the Day yesterday, the Hon. Member for Souris-Cannington rose on a Point of Order to seek clarification of the order that Mr. Speaker would recognize Opposition Members during the Oral Question period. I want to emphasize the point that the new Oral Question period, as recommended by the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures, would be an experiment only. It will take a few days or weeks for myself and all Members to adjust to this new procedure and to have it operating smoothly.

I referred all Hon. Members to the Order of Reference of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures which instructed the Committee to “—provide for an oral question period similar—to the oral question period in the House of Commons—”. When this Committee visited the House of Commons, it was noted that the Speaker recognized Members from the Official Opposition before recognizing Members from the other opposition parties.

Because of the Order of Reference mentioned above, I propose to follow the House of Commons practice.

I would remind all Hon. Members that any Member may ask a supplementary to a question already asked.

The new Oral Question period is still in the experimental stage and I encourage all Hon Members to give the proposed new system a good try.

Before Orders of the Day, Mr. Collver rose on a Point of Order seeking the reasons why his Oral Question had been ruled out of order. Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

The following Motions for Returns (*Not Debatable*) on the Orders of the Day were transferred to the Motions for Returns (*Debatable*) classification:

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 1) showing:

(1) The amounts of money, if any, that have been paid to Mr. A. John Beke either by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited or Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation for and in respect of his duties as a director of Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited, and the dates of each of such payments. (2) The number of directors' meetings of the said company Mr. Beke attended and the dates. (3) Whether Mr. Beke, in his capacity as a director of the company, reported to any of the officers or employees of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation with respect to the business affairs at Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited and the nature and content of each of such reports.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 2) showing:

(1) The names and addresses of all barristers and solicitors engaged by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (2) The amounts of money paid to each of the said barristers and solicitors and the dates of payment.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 3) showing:

(1) The names and addresses of all companies and partnerships, and other business or commercial ventures in which Saskatchewan Econo-

mic Development Corporation had an equity interest as at December 31, 1975. (2) The full particulars of the equity position of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in respect of each of the business or commercial ventures in which it has an equity position including the number of shares held by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation, the proportion of the total issued and outstanding shares held by said company, the amount paid therefore, the names of the director or directors appointed by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation or the government, or elected at the behest of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation, the Board of Directors of each of the companies or business enterprises in which Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation has an interest as at December 31, 1975.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 4) showing:

(1) The amount or amounts loaned by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Dowie Construction Limited or Len Dowie Construction Limited, and the dates of each of said loans. (2) The security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in respect of each of such loans. (3) Whether there has been default on any such loans and if so, the particulars thereof. (4) Whether Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation has sustained a loss in respect of any loans made to the said company. (5) Whether Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation realized any return on its security in respect of such loans and if so, the amount or amounts so realized and the full particulars thereof.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 5) showing:

(1) The name and address of the general contractor respecting the construction of the plant owned by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan. (2) The names and addresses of all major suppliers of materials, equipment and for labour used or employed in construction of the Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited plant in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan. (3) The total amounts of money paid to each of the general contractors and the major suppliers of materials, equipment and for labour respecting the construction of the said plant. (4) The names and addresses of any persons, including corporations, with whom Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited may have entered into a management contract with or the equivalent of a management contract.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 6) showing:

(1) The dates of each of the contracts entered into between Len Dowie Construction Limited and the Saskatchewan Power Corporation in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (2) The amounts of money paid by the Saskatchewan Power Corporation to Len Dowie Construction Limited in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (3) The particulars of each of the said contracts. (4) Whether any portion of the contract price, in respect of any contract between the Saskatchewan Power Corporation and Len Dowie Construction Limited, has been

assigned to Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation or is payable or being paid to Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in any manner whatsoever.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 7) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Circle 4 Feeders Limited of Regina, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Circle 4 Feeders Limited of Regina. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 8) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Continental Bedding and Furniture Company of Saskatoon, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Continental Bedding and Furniture Company of Saskatoon. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 9) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation of Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 10) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Sportsman Campers and Trailers Manufacturing Limited, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Sportsman Campers and Trailers Manufacturing Limited. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 11) showing:

(1) Particulars, including the name and address of the borrower, of all loans made by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975 in respect of which

there has been default. (2) The action taken by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in respect of each of such loan defaults, the amount lost, if any, in each case and the present status of the borrower that is still in business, or in bankruptcy, or in receivership.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 12) showing:

(1) The names and addresses of all companies, co-operatives, partnerships, sole proprietorships or other persons or entities that received loans from the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in each of the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (2) The amount of each of the said loans referred to in (1) above, the interest rate at which each of such loans was made, the terms or repayment, and the nature of the security taken in each case.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE GEORGE PORTEOUS

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

The debate continuing, at 5:30 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Smishek, a member of the Executive Council:

Public Accounts (Supplementary Information) for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2), until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, March 18, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Before the Orders of the Day, Mr. Speaker advised the Assembly that the request by the Member for Nipawin for a formal ruling on an Oral Question of March 17, 1976 was withdrawn and that no formal ruling would be made.

The following Motions for Returns (*Not Debatable*) on the Orders of the Day were transferred to the Motions for Returns (*Debatable*) classification:

By Mr. Katzman, for a Return (No. 15) showing:

(1) The average time between advertising of Public Service Commission positions and the filling of same. (2) The average number of people interviewed for each position.

By Mr. Katzman, for a Return (No. 16) showing:

The number of people in each of the pension plans administered by the Government of Saskatchewan, or any agency or Crown Corporation or other organization associated with the Government of Saskatchewan: (a) percentage of salary paid into each Saskatchewan Government pension plan each year; (b) percentage of salary paid into C.P.P.; (c) present investment of this money in (i) Government of Saskatchewan—General account, bonds (ii) other governments (iii) other areas; (d) copies of latest actuarial reports or studies pertaining to each of the pension plans involved and names of actuaries or actuarial firms either involved or in consultation with each of the pension plans.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debated on the proposed motion of Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

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Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Messer, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 29)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Research Council for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 30)

The Assembly adjourned at 5:26 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Friday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Friday, March 19, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday:

Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Family Court Act, 1975.
(Hon. Mr. Smishek)

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Natural Products Marketing Act, 1972.
(Mr. Birkbeck)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debated on the proposed motion of Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE GEORGE PORTEOUS
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

The debate continuing and a Point of Privilege having been raised by the Hon. Minister of Industry and Commerce to the effect that the statements of the Member for Assiniboia-Gravelbourg were knowingly untrue and should be withdrawn, Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Kwasnica, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Snyder, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Government Printing Company for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 31)

The Assembly adjourned at 4:37 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, March 22, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Petitions were presented and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. Baker—Of the Archiepiscopal Corporation of Regina.

By Mr. Banda—Of Saskatchewan Wheat Pool of the City of Regina.

By Mr. Mostoway—Of Hugh Arscott, and eight others, of the City of Saskatoon.

By Mr. Koskie—Of Reverend Jean Paul Aubrey and three others of the Town of Gravelbourg.

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 40—An Act to amend The Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act.

(Mr. Merchant)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On Friday last, a dispute over certain facts arose between the Hon. Member for Assiniboia-Gravelbourg and the Hon. Minister of Industry and Commerce. I have checked the record and notice that the Minister did rise to correct a point. It is not the role of the Speaker to determine points of fact. This is the purpose of debate.

A Member may make a correction at the end of another Member's speech or in fact enter the debate to set the record straight.

I rule that there was neither a breach of the Rules or Privileges of the Assembly in this case but merely a point of clarification.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

TO HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE GEORGE PORTEOUS

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, of the Province of Saskatchewan, in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

The debate continuing on the motion and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Thibault	Lange	Tchorzewski
Bowerman	MacMurchy	Matsalla
Smishek	Mostoway	Skoberg
Romanow	Whelan	Vickar
Messer	Kwasnica	Allen
Snyder	McNeill	Koskie
Byers	MacAuley	Johnson
Kramer	Shillington	Thompson
Baker	Rolfes	Banda

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Steuart	Cameron	McMillan
Stodalka	Nelson (Assiniboia-	Collver
Lane	Gravelbourg)	Berntson
Wiebe	Clifford	Ham
Malone	Anderson	Katzman
MacDonald	Merchant	

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Messer:

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are of the Executive Council.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

Ordered, That this Assembly will, at the next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee of Finance to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty and to consider the Ways and Means of raising the Supply.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mr. Bowerman:

Ordered, That when the debate on the Motion "That this Assembly do now resolve itself into a Committee of Finance" is adjourned on Wednesday, March 24, 1976, that it do stand adjourned until Friday, March 26, 1976.

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Orders of the Assembly were issued to the proper officers, viz.:—

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 17) showing:

- (1) Whether Sharon Simons is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, her present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 18) showing:

- (1) Whether Stuart Headly is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 19) showing:

- (1) Whether Chuck Hetherly is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 20) showing:

- (1) Whether J. C. Greer is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 21) showing:

- (1) Whether J. A. Bennett is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 22) showing:

- (1) Whether Norbert Rougeau is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 23) showing:

- (1) Whether Hugh Robinson is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 24) showing:

- (1) Whether Mike Graham is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 25) showing:

- (1) Whether Duncan Graham is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 26) showing:

- (1) Whether Frank Nolan is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 27) showing:

- (1) Whether Harry Mathias is now in the employment of the

Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 28) showing:

(1) Whether Jack Currie is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 29) showing:

(1) Whether Joe Denofreo is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 30) showing:

(1) Whether Don Jantzen is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 31) showing:

(1) Whether John Wood is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 32) showing:

(1) Whether Harvey Beech is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 33) showing:

(1) Whether Mark Eliesen is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 34) showing:

(1) Whether Gerry Scott is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 35) showing:

(1) Whether Ashley Blackman is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 36) showing:

(1) Whether Brian McIver is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
(2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 37) showing:

- (1) Whether Joyce Thomas is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, her present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 38) showing:

- (1) Whether John Twigg is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 39) showing:

- (1) Whether Ray Wargo is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 40) showing:

- (1) Whether Heather Freeze is now in the the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, her present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 41) showing:

- (1) Whether Adrian Won is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 42) showing:

- (1) Whether Bill Boutillier is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 43) showing:

- (1) Whether Don Miller is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 44) showing:

- (1) Whether John Mika is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 45) showing:

- (1) Whether Rita Lalik is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, her present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 46) showing:

- (1) Whether George Reamsbottom is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 47) showing:

- (1) Whether Pete Loudon is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 48) showing:

- (1) Whether Wayne Harding is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 49) showing:

- (1) Whether Peter McNelly is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 50) showing:

- (1) Whether Andrew Petter is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 51) showing:

- (1) Whether Steve Wood is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 52) showing:

- (1) Whether Albert Melul is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 53) showing:

- (1) Whether Richard Pollard is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:23 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, March 23, 1976*2:30 o'clock p.m.***PRAYERS:**

According to Order, the Clerk having favorably reported on the same pursuant to Rule 11(7), the following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Archiepiscopal Corporation of Regina praying for an Act to grant exemption from all taxation, save local improvement taxes as may be assessed from and after the first day of January, 1976 on property situated at 1835 Halifax Street, Regina.

Of Saskatchewan Wheat Pool praying for an Act to amend and consolidate Chapter 93 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1961.

Of Hugh Arscott and eight others praying for an Act to incorporate the Place Riel Society with powers to operate and manage a campus centre at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.

Of Reverend Jean Paul Aubry and three others, praying for an Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1917 as amended by Chapter 122 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1936 and Chapter 91 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1961.

Mr. Skoberg, from the Select Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee met for organization and appointed Mr. Skoberg as its Chairman.

Your Committee has duly examined the undermentioned Petitions for Private Bills, and finds that the provisions of Rules 56, 57 and 60, have been fully complied with in each case:

Of the Archiepiscopal Corporation of Regina praying for an Act to grant exemption from all taxation, save local improvement taxes as may be assessed from and after the first day of January, 1976 on property situated at 1835 Halifax Street, Regina.

Of Saskatchewan Wheat Pool praying for an Act to amend and consolidate Chapter 93 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1961.

Of Reverend Jean Paul Aubry and three others, praying for an Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1917 as amended by Chapter 122 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1936 and Chapter 91 of the Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1961.

Your Committee has further examined the undermentioned Petition for a Private Bill and recommends that the provisions of Rule 60(2) be suspended in this case, since the infraction of the Rule was minor and the intent of the Rule was practised.

Of Hugh Arscott and eight others praying for an Act to incorporate the Place Riel Society with powers to operate and manage a campus centre at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.

On motion of Mr. Skoberg, seconded by Mr. Koskie:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures be now concurred in.

Thereupon, the Clerk laid on the Table the following Bills:

Bill No. 01—An Act to provide for exemption from taxation of Property of the Archbishopial Corporation of Regina.

(Mr. Baker)

Bill No. 02—An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate “An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate An Act to incorporate Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Limited”.

(Mr. Banda)

Bill No. 03—An Act to incorporate Place Riel Society.

(Mr. Mostoway)

Bill No. 04—An Act to amend An Act to incorporate Le College Catholique de Gravelbourg.

(Mr. Koskie)

The said Bills were read the first time, and ordered for second reading on Thursday, pursuant to Rule 63.

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Cameron, from his place in the Assembly, asked leave under Rule 17 to move a motion asking for “Priority of Debate” for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance and stated the subject to be:

“The intention of the Government, as expressed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, to impose specific weight limits on municipal roads, with no assurance:

- (i) that rural municipalities will have a discretion to issue permits for loads in excess of the limits as requested by S.A.R.M.;
- (ii) that public hearings will be held so that all interested parties may be heard prior to the implementation of such limits;
- (iii) that the particular policy announced by the Minister has the support of S.A.R.M. since S.A.R.M. did not request the particular policy the Minister announced.”

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

A notice regarding this matter proposed for Priority of Debate was received in the Clerk's Office at 11:50 a.m. today for which I thank the Hon. Member.

I refer all Hon. Members to a ruling of the Chair on February 23, 1971 and I quote a section of that ruling as follows:

"The fundamental principle underlying Rule 17 was to provide an opportunity within a proper framework of parliamentary procedure, where none otherwise existed, for the immediate discussion of any matter deemed to be of such urgency and importance that all of the normal or special business of the Assembly should be put to one side in order to provide complete right of way to a discussion of one specific particular subject."

I agree with the Hon. Member that the matter raised is of public importance and falls within the jurisdiction of the Provincial Government. The key question that faces me is whether this matter is urgent enough to set aside the business of the Assembly in order to debate it at this time.

All Hon. Members will be aware that the Hon. Minister announced the proposed new policy at a S.A.R.M. convention on March 16, 1976 which is exactly a week ago. Since that time, there has been plenty of opportunity to discuss this proposed policy either during the Address-in-Reply debate which has just concluded or in a substantive motion with proper notice. Neither opportunity was used.

All Hon. Members will note that the proposed policy does not have an implementation date. This Assembly is not faced with an exact deadline before which the debate on this matter must take place. In fact, this entire matter can be debated in the Budget debate which will be before the Assembly for the next week.

Although the matter proposed by the Hon. Member for Regina South is of public importance I rule under Rule 17(6) that it is not of sufficient urgency that all of the normal business of the Assembly should be put to one side.

Before the Orders of the Day, Mr. Cameron rose on a Point of Privilege to the effect that a reply to an oral question was misleading and therefore a breach of the privileges of the Assembly. Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

Moved by Mr. Lane: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 13) showing:

(1) Whether the Government entered into any agreement with Cairns Homes Ltd. to maintain a certain level of housing or lot cost in the City of Regina. (2) If so; (a) the date of the said agreement; (b) copies of the said agreement.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Snyder, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "agreement" in the third line be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"(b) the nature of the key principles incorporated in the agreement."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Wiebe, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Motions for Returns (Nos. 15 and 16), they were dropped.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 2), it was moved by Mr. Koskie, seconded by Mr. McNeill:

That this Assembly commends the Saskatchewan Government Insurance

Office for the following achievements: (1) in a period of stress that has led a number of insurers to withdraw from business in Saskatchewan and elsewhere in Canada, maintaining the lowest automobile insurance rates in Canada and at the same time meeting the reasonable requirements of all Saskatchewan residents who need such insurance; (2) in recognition of the contribution made throughout their lives by the senior citizens of the Province and as a token of appreciation to them in this time of need making available to them at a substantial premium discount a policy of insurance described as the "Pension Pak" which provides insurance against damage to their homes and contents by fire, lightning and explosion, sewer backup, theft and various other allied perils.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 3), it was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Thompson:

That this Assembly (1) urges the Government of Canada to immediately announce a price support program under Bill C-50 for cow-calf operators to provide some stability to the livestock industry; and (2) requests that the Federal Government begin discussions immediately with Provincial Governments to examine the feasibility of establishing a National Meat Marketing Agency.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Thatcher, adjourned.

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Orders of the Assembly were issued to the proper officers, viz.:—

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 55) showing:

(1) On whose recommendation and the date Mr. David Dombowsky was appointed Managing Director of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation. (2) The date Mr. David Dombowsky ceased to be the Managing Director of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the reasons for the cessation.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 56) showing:

(1) The position of Mr. G. D. Hatton in Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in 1973. (2) The position of Mr. G. D. Hatton in Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in 1974. (3) If there was a change in his position, the reasons for such a change. (4) The present position of Mr. G. D. Hatton in Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation.

Moved by Mr. Lane: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 14) showing:

(1) Whether the Government of Saskatchewan or any Crown Corporation purchased lands from the Central Mortgage and Housing Corpora-

tion in 1975. (2) If so: (a) the total acreage purchased; (b) the legal description of the lands purchased; (c) the cost per acre of the above purchases; (d) copies of any agreements evidencing such purchases.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:55 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, March 24, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

On motion of Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Larter:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Katzman be substituted for that of Mr. Collver on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

The Hon. Mr. Smishek delivered a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor which was read by Mr. Speaker as follows:

GEORGE PORTEOUS

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 1977, and Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the twelve months ending March 31, 1976, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

REGINA, MARCH 24, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 33)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

Ordered, That His Honour's Message, the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates be referred to the Committee of Finance.

The Order of the Day being called for the Assembly to resolve itself into the Committee of Finance, the Hon. Mr. Smishek moved:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. MacDonald, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Whelan, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Minerals for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 32)

By the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski, a member of the Executive Council:

Recommendations of the Public Documents Committee under The Archives Act, respecting the disposal of certain public documents.

(Sessional Paper No. 34)

The Assembly adjourned at 4:50 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, March 25, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Mostoway, as Chairman of the Select Standing Committee on Radio Broadcasting of Selected Proceedings, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has had under consideration the division of the 450 minutes of radio time arranged for the current Budget Debate, and recommends to the Assembly that time be shared as follows:

286 minutes to the Government Members; 112 minutes to Members of the Official Opposition; and 52 minutes to the Progressive Conservative Members.

Your Committee further recommends that the allocation of time to the individual Members be arranged through the usual channels.

On motion of Mr. Mostoway, seconded by Mr. Malone:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Radio Broadcasting of Selected Proceedings be now concurred in.

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Monday:

Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On March 23 the Member for Regina South rose on a Point of Privilege to the effect that certain replies to oral questions in the Assembly had been misleading and therefore constituted a breach of the privileges of the Assembly.

I refer all Hon. Members to a ruling of the Chair of November 18, 1975, (*Votes and Proceedings*, November 18, 1975) which states in part that "a debate in the Assembly over the question of whether something is a fact or not, cannot be ascertained by Mr. Speaker and does not constitute a question of privilege."

I refer all Hon. Members to *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, p. 102, cit. 113, which states:

"... a dispute arising between two Members, as to allegations of facts, does not fulfill the conditions of parliamentary privilege."

I further suggest to all Hon. Members that this matter is more properly a debating point.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Blakeney: That Bill No. 1—An Act to amend An Act to provide a Superannuation Allowance for a Certain Former Member of the Legislative Assembly—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and

the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Matsalla: That Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Forest Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole on Monday.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Matsalla: That Bill No. 10—An Act to amend The Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Matsalla: That Bill No. 11—An Act to amend The Land Surveys Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole on Monday.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Rural Telephone Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Snyder: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Department of Government Services Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Snyder: That Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Katzman, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Snyder: That Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Fire Prevention Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 18—An Act to amend The Credit Union Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 19—An Act to amend The Northern Co-operative Trading Services Act, 1959—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Motor Dealers Act, 1966—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Stodalka, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Veterinarians Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Wiebe, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Robbins, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Development Fund Corporation for the year ending December 31, 1975.
(*Sessional Paper No. 35*)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Medical Care Insurance Commission for the year ended December 31, 1975.
(*Sessional Paper No. 36*)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Hospital Services Plan for the year ended December 31, 1975.
(*Sessional Paper No. 37*)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Cancer Commission for the year ending December 31, 1975.
(*Sessional Paper No. 38*)

Annual Report for the Saskatchewan Prescription Drug Plan for the fiscal year 1975-76.
(*Sessional Paper No. 39*)

Annual Report of the Medical Services of the Saskatchewan Anti-Tuberculosis League for the year ending December 31, 1975.
(*Sessional Paper No. 40*)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Dental Nurses Board for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 41)

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 24:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the Saskatchewan Association of Architects.

Amendment to the Bylaws of the Saskatchewan Psychiatric Nurses Association.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:22 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Messer until Friday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Friday, March 26, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 42—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973 (No. 2).
(*Mr. Katzman*)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Steuart, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "That" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"this Assembly expresses its regret:

- (a) At the Government's failure to provide leadership in the fight against inflation by not restraining the growing cost of the provincial government.
- (b) At the Government's decision to increase dramatically the cost of services by Saskatchewan Crown Corporations.
- (c) At the Government's failure to protect our health programs by providing sufficient grants to maintain their quality of service.
- (d) At the Government's decision to transfer the fight against inflation to local government in Saskatchewan and regrets the increase in local mill rates that will result."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Collver, adjourned.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

During the Oral Question period yesterday, the Hon. Member for Saskatoon Sutherland asked a question which I ruled out of order. I was asked for a detailed ruling at that time. Cit. 17(c) and (d) of *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, p. 147 prohibits questions which are slight variations to questions already asked. The guidelines in the Interim Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures prohibit questions which provoke debate.

I have had an opportunity to review the verbatim transcript and find that the Hon. Member asked the same questions on March 23, 1976. The wording of the question yesterday was in my opinion in such a manner as to suggest an answer and provoke debate.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Milk Control Board for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 42)

By the Hon. Mr. Smishek, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Computer Utility Corporation for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 43)

The Assembly adjourned at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, March 29, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bills, they were, by leave of the Assembly, withdrawn:

A Bill to amend The Liquor Act (No. 2), and

A Bill to amend The Liquor Licensing Act (No. 2).

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 43—An Act to amend The Chiropody Profession Act.
(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Before the Orders of the Day on Friday last, a statement was requested by the Hon. Member for Nipawin regarding the urgency of some Oral Questions.

By any measure the definition of "urgency" will be subject to debate. However, since debate about the definition of urgency would destroy the Oral Question period, as Members presently wish it to be structured, the Speaker's discretion will have to prevail within the guidelines set out by parliamentary experience.

On Friday, the Member for Moosomin asked a question, which in part was as follows:

"Did the Minister at any time between 1974 and 1976 transfer 335 employees of the provincially funded Souris Valley Extended Care Hospital to an organization controlled by the Provincial Government funded out of SHSP?"

I refer all Hon. Members to the Interim Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedures, p. 9, Section 5(c) which states:

"questions should be asked only in respect of matters of sufficient urgency and importance as to require an immediate answer".

The specific question refers to a period of three years and not to any new or immediate event. The Member may have had some urgent point in mind but it was not demonstrated in his question.

I suggest to the Members that detailed information for several past years or details of the estimates should be sought through written questions or during the consideration of the Estimates in the Committee of Finance.

I stress to the Members that a matter raised, may in itself be "important" but this does not necessarily make it "urgent".

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. MacDonald:

That all the words after the word "That" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

“this Assembly expresses its regret:

- (a) At the Government’s failure to provide leadership in the fight against inflation by not restraining the growing cost of the provincial government.
- (b) At the Government’s decision to increase dramatically the cost of services by Saskatchewan Crown Corporations.
- (c) At the Government’s failure to protect our health programs by providing sufficient grants to maintain their quality of service.
- (d) At the Government’s decision to transfer the fight against inflation to local government in Saskatchewan and regrets the increase in local mill rates that will result.”

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Penner, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Whelan, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 44)

By the Hon. Mr. Messer, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Trading Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 45)

The Assembly adjourned at 5:28 o’clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Snyder until Tuesday at 2:30 o’clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, March 30, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Koskie, from the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee met for organization and appointed Mr. Koskie as Chairman and Mr. Mostoway as Vice-Chairman.

Your Committee has considered the procedures for the transferral of membership on the Committee and recommends that membership on the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be transferable at the beginning of each meeting or at the beginning of the consideration of a corporation by written notice signed by the official Member and filed with the Chairman; and the membership shall revert to the official membership at the conclusion of each meeting; and that notwithstanding the foregoing, the position of Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall not be transferable.

Moved by Mr. Koskie, seconded by Mr. Cameron:

That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be now concurred in.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The following Motions for Returns (*Not Debatable*) on the Orders of the Day were transferred to the Motions for Returns (*Debatable*) classification:

By Mr. Merchant, for a Return (No. 58) showing:

The gross dollar volume in approximate amounts of premiums paid to the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office by the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions, and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years:

(a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date.

By Mr. Merchant, for a Return (No. 59) showing:

The total amount of all claims paid by the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office to the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years:

(a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. MacDonald:

That all the words after the word "That" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"this Assembly expresses its regret:

- (a) At the Government's failure to provide leadership in the fight against inflation by not restraining the growing cost of the provincial government.
- (b) At the Government's decision to increase dramatically the cost of services by Saskatchewan Crown Corporations.
- (c) At the Government's failure to protect our health programs by providing sufficient grants to maintain their quality of service.
- (d) At the Government's decision to transfer the fight against inflation to local government in Saskatchewan and regrets the increase in local mill rates that will result."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Messer, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Return (No. 43) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 22, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Bailey, showing:

- (1) Whether Don Miller is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

(Sessional Paper No. 46)

By the Hon. Mr. Messer, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 47)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:22 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, March 31, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. MacDonald:

That all the words after the word "That" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"this Assembly expresses its regret:

- (a) At the Government's failure to provide leadership in the fight against inflation by not restraining the growing cost of the provincial government.
- (b) At the Government's decision to increase dramatically the cost of services by Saskatchewan Crown Corporations.
- (c) At the Government's failure to protect our health programs by providing sufficient grants to maintain their quality of service.
- (d) At the Government's decision to transfer the fight against inflation to local government in Saskatchewan and regrets the increase in local mill rates that will result."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Thatcher, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Bowerman, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Water Supply Board for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 48)

By the Hon. Mr. Robbins, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Regina General Hospital for the year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 49)

Interim Report on Saskatchewan Aids to Independent Living for the period April 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 50)

Annual Report of the University Hospital Board for the calendar year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 51)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Dental Plan for the year ending August 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 52)

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 40:

Financial statements of the Saskatchewan Anti-Tuberculosis League as at December 31, 1975.

By the Hon. Mr. Byers, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report under The Water Power Act, R.S.S. 1965, Chapter 52, Section 20.

(Sessional Paper No. 53)

The Assembly adjourned at 5:45 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, April 1, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Agricultural Implements Act, 1968.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 2).
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to The Ombudsman Act, 1972, c.87, s.30(1), p. 386, the Third Annual Report of the Office of the Ombudsman for the period December 1st, 1974 to November 30th, 1975.
(*Sessional Paper No. 56*)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

That this Assembly do now resolve itself into the Committee of Finance and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. MacDonald:

That all the words after the word "That" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"this Assembly expresses its regret:

- (a) At the Government's failure to provide leadership in the fight against inflation by not restraining the growing cost of the provincial government.
- (b) At the Government's decision to increase dramatically the cost of services by Saskatchewan Crown Corporations.
- (c) At the Government's failure to protect our health programs by providing sufficient grants to maintain their quality of service.
- (d) At the Government's decision to transfer the fight against inflation to local government in Saskatchewan and regrets the increase in local mill rates that will result."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, and the question being put on the amendment, it was negated on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Steuart	Penner	Thatcher
Stodalka	Cameron	Bailey
Lane	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)	Berntson
Wiebe	Anderson	Ham
Malone	Merchant	Katzman
MacDonald		Birkbeck

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NAYS

Blakeney	Lange	Cowley
Pepper	Kowalchuk	Tchorzewski
Thibault	Mostoway	Skoberg
Bowerman	Whelan	Vickar
Smishek	Kwasnica	Nelson (Yorkton)
Romanow	Dyck	Allen
Messer	McNeill	Koskie
Snyder	MacAuley	Johnson
Byers	Feschuk	Thompson
Kramer	Shillington	Banda
Baker	Rolfes	

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The question being put on the main motion, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	Lange	Cowley
Pepper	Kowalchuk	Tchorzewski
Thibault	Mostoway	Skoberg
Bowerman	Whelan	Vickar
Smishek	Kwasnica	Nelson (Yorkton)
Romanow	Dyck	Allen
Messer	McNeill	Koskie
Snyder	MacAuley	Johnson
Byers	Feschuk	Thompson
Kramer	Shillington	Banda
Baker	Rolfes	

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NAYS

Steuart	Penner	Thatcher
Stodalka	Cameron	Bailey
Lane	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)	Berntson
Wiebe	Anderson	Ham
Malone	Merchant	Katzman
MacDonald		Birkbeck

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The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 54)

By the Hon. Mr. Smishek, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Municipal Financing Corporation for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 55)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:27 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Friday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Friday, April 2, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker, as Chairman of the Select Standing Committee on Library presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

Your Committee has considered the reference of the Assembly dated March 15, 1976, namely the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee under The Archives Act, contained in the Retention and Disposal schedules comprising Sessional Paper No. 34 of the present Session.

Your Committee recommends to the Assembly that the recommendations of the Public Documents Committee on Schedules Nos. 173, 174, 175, 176, 178, 180, 182, 183, and 184 be accepted.

Your Committee further recommends to the Assembly that Schedules Nos. 177 and 179 be referred back to the Public Documents Committee; and that Schedule No. 181 be accepted with the exception of the three points under "Claims Department" on the first page; and that these three points be referred back to the Public Documents Committee for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Mostoway, seconded by Mr. Malone:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Library be now concurred in.

The Order of the Day being called for the introduced of the following Bill, it was withdrawn:

A Bill to amend The Fuel Petroleum Products Act.

The Minister, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 47 — An Act to amend The Local Government Board Act.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

Before Orders of the Day a Point of Order was raised to the effect that a Minister had made an announcement outside of the Assembly without first making a statement in the Assembly. Mr Speaker deferred his ruling.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 4) showing:

(1) The amount or amounts loaned by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Dowie Construction Limited or Len Dowie Construction Limited, and the dates of each of said loans. (2) The

security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in respect of each of such loans. (3) Whether there has been default on any such loans and if so, the particulars thereof. (4) Whether Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation has sustained a loss in respect of any loans made to the said company. (5) Whether Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation realized any return on its security in respect of such loans and if so, the amount or amounts so realized and the full particulars thereof.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was negatived.

The Order of the Day being called for consideration of Motion for Return (No. 5), Mr. Speaker asked that the Motion stand pending a ruling of the Chair on whether the Motion is in order.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 6) showing:

(1) The dates of each of the contracts entered into between Len Dowie Construction Limited and the Saskatchewan Power Corporation in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (2) The amounts of money paid by the Saskatchewan Power Corporation to Len Dowie Construction Limited in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (3) The particulars of each of the said contracts. (4) Whether any portion of the contract price, in respect of any contract between the Saskatchewan Power Corporation and Len Dowie Construction Limited, has been assigned to Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation or is payable or being paid to Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in any manner whatsoever.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gavelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 9) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 11) showing:

(1) Particulars, including the name and address of the borrower, of all loans made by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975 in respect of which there has been default. (2) The action taken by the Saskatchewan Economic

Development Corporation in respect of each of such loan defaults, the amount lost, if any, in each case and the present status of the borrower that is still in business, or in bankruptcy, or in receivership.

A debate arising and a Point of Order having been raised to the effect that the Member's remarks were not relevant to the Motion under consideration, Mr. Speaker ruled that the remarks were relevant and that the Point of Order was not well taken.

Mr. Speaker's ruling having been appealed by Mr. Lane, Mr. Speaker put the question: "Shall the Ruling of the Chair be sustained?" —which was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	Faris	Rolfes
Pepper	Kowalchuk	Cowley
Thibault	MacMurchy	Skoberg
Bowerman	Mostoway	Vickar
Romanow	Whelan	Nelson (Yorkton)
Messer	Kaeding	Allen
Byers	Kwasnica	Johnson
Kramer	McNeill	Thompson
Baker	MacAuley	Banda
Lange		

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NAYS

Stodalka	MacDonald	Anderson
Lane	Cameron	Merchant
Wiebe	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)	Thatcher
Malone		

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A further Point of Order was raised by the Hon. Mr. Romanow to the effect that the remarks of the Hon. Member for Qu'Appelle and Regina Wascana were unparliamentary. Mr. Speaker ruled that the Point of Order was not well taken.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: "That this Assembly do now adjourn".

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Natural Products Marketing Council for the calendar year 1975.

(*Sessional Paper No. 57*)

By the Hon. Mr. Snyder, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of The Workers' Compensation Board for the calendar year 1975.

(*Sessional Paper No. 53*)

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Orders of the Assembly were issued to the proper officers, viz.: —

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 2) showing:

(1) The names and addresses of all barristers and solicitors engaged by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (2) The amounts of money paid to each of the said barristers and solicitors and the dates of payment.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gavelbourg), for a Return (No. 3) showing:

(1) The names and addresses of all companies and partnerships, and other business or commercial ventures in which Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation had an equity interest as at December 31, 1975. (2) The full particulars of the equity position of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in respect of each of the business or commercial ventures in which it has an equity position including the number of shares held by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation, the proportion of the total issued and outstanding shares held by said company, the amount paid therefore, the names of the director or directors appointed by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation or the government, or elected at the behest of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation, the Board of Directors of each of the companies or business enterprises in which Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation has an interest as at December 31, 1975.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 7) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Circle 4 Feeders Limited of Regina, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Circle 4 Feeders Limited of Regina. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 8) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Continental Bedding and Furniture Company of Saskatoon, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Continental Bedding and Furniture Company of

Saskatoon. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 1) showing:

(1) The amounts of money, if any, that have been paid to Mr. A. John Beke either by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited or Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation for and in respect of his duties as a director of Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited, and the dates of each of such payments. (2) The number of directors' meetings of the said company Mr. Beke attended and the dates. (3) Whether Mr. Beke, in his capacity as a director of the company, reported to any of the officers or employees of Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation with respect to the business affairs at Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited and the nature and content of each of such reports.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gavelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 10) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Sportsman Campers and Trailers Manufacturing Limited, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Sportsman Campers and Trailers Manufacturing Limited. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

A debate arising and the question being put it was agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:12 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, April 5, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On April 2, 1976, Motion for Return (No 5) was asked to stand pending a review by the Chair to determine whether it was in order. The problem here is whether the Minister has any responsibility for the construction and management of the plant owned by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Ltd.

I refer all Members to *Sir Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice*, 17th Edition, p. 350 and *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, p. 152, both of which state as follows:

"Questions addressed to Ministers must relate to the public affairs with which they are officially connected . . . or to any matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible."

Thus questions cannot be directed to Ministers on matters which are under the control of authorities not responsible to the Government. As the only government involvement in Meadow Lake Ltd. is through the participation of Sedco in the enterprise, the Minister is responsible for questions relating to Sedco's involvement only. The internal operations of the Company are the responsibility of the management of that body and are not within the purview of the Government. I therefore rule Motion for Return (No. 5) out of order.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Before the Orders of the Day on Friday, two Hon. Members rose on a Point of Order to the effect that a Minister made a public announcement outside and not in the Assembly. A further point was raised that the Ministers in the House of Commons always announce policies in the House before press conferences and therefore under Rule 1 of the *Rules and Procedures of Saskatchewan*, it should be a custom in Saskatchewan. The Standing Orders of the House of Commons do not require a Minister to make announcements in the House of Commons. I remind all Hon. Members that Rule 1 applies only if Saskatchewan does not have applicable Rule, precedent or practice. I refer all Hon. Members to Rulings of the Chair dated December 4, 1975 and January 19, 1976 (*Journals of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, pp. 63 and 147). I wish to stress to the Assembly that although it is a courtesy to the Assembly for a Minister to release information in the Assembly before releasing it to the press or the public, it is not a breach of the privileges or Rules of the Assembly if this does not happen.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

(In the Committee)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

INTERIM SUPPLY

Main Estimates, 1976-77

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and eight million, seven hundred and sixty-five thousand and twenty dollars, being approximately one-twelfth of the amount of each of the several sums to be voted, as set forth in the estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1977, laid before the Assembly at the present Session, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31st, 1977.

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1977, the sum of one hundred and eight million, seven hundred and sixty-five thousand and twenty dollars be granted out of the consolidated fund.

The said Resolutions were reported, and, by leave of the Assembly, read twice and agreed to, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek that the Resolutions be now read the first time.

Question being put it was agreed to and the said Resolutions were, accordingly, read the first time.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly, that the Resolutions be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Resolutions were, accordingly, read a second time.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 48—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of March, 1977—be now introduced and read the first time.

Question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 2—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 1)—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 3—An Act respecting Private Investigators and Security Guards—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Magistrates' Courts Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Cameron, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The Provincial Magistrates Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Cameron, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 22—An Act to repeal The Agricultural Extension Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Animal Protection Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Agricultural Machinery Institute Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

According to Order, the following Bill was read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting:

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 2).

5:04 o'clock p.m.

His Honour the Administrator, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service. In the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour the following Bill:—

“An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of March, 1977,” to which Bill I respectfully request Your Honour’s Assent.”

The Clerk of the Assembly then said:

“In Her Majesty’s name, His Honour the Administrator doth thank the Legislative Assembly, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill.”

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

5:05 o'clock p.m.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 25—An Act to amend

The Agricultural Products Market Development Fund Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Wiebe, adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Pepper, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Kwasnica be substituted for that of Mr. Faris on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kramer: That Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Highways Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Collver, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Return (No. 35) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 22, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Bailey, showing:

(1) Whether Ashley Blackman is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency. (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

(Sessional Paper No. 59)

Return (No. 56) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 23, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), showing:

(1) The position of Mr. G. D. Hatton in Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in 1973. (2) The position of Mr. G. D. Hatton in Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in 1974. (3) If there was a change in his position, the reasons for such a change. (4) The present position of Mr. G. D. Hatton in Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation.

(Sessional Paper No. 60)

Return (No. 3) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 28, 1975 on the motion of Mr. McMillan, showing:

The total amount of money, and the purpose in each case, paid by the

Government of Saskatchewan to Norman Springate and Associates
Limited during the fiscal year 1974-75.

(Sessional Paper No. 61)

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 21:

Addendum to Return No. 68.

At 9:31 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without
question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, April 6, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act (No. 1).

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On April 2nd, 1976 the member for Regina Lakeview requested a ruling regarding questions asked by the Members from Qu'Appelle and Regina South which were ruled out of order by the Speaker.

The Member for Regina Lakeview stated the question should not be ruled out of order because they were seeking government policy.

I have checked the record and find that prior to the questions asked by the Members similiar questions appear to have elicited the information they had sought since the Member for Thunder Creek enquired about "restricting this practice" (farmers and ranchers carrying firearms in their vehicles). To which the Attorney General replied in part

". . . we intend to do nothing as a provincial government until such time as we can come to, if we can come to an agreement with the Federal Government in concert with our sister provinces"

This was followed by another supplementary question by the Member for Thunder Creek where he asked in part

". . . will they (farmers - ranchers) have some input into any provincial decision to go along with this federal proposal."

To which the Attorney General replied in part ". . . Yes . . ."

Thereafter followed the question by the Member from Qu'Appelle which enquired, in part, whether

"is that then your policy proposal . . ."

The question was ruled out of order because it was repetitive and not because it was about policy.

In any case, the Member for Regina South was not ruled out of order at any time. However, the Member for Regina Wascana was later ruled out of order for a question, in the same area, because I considered it repetitive as to the issue of Provincial government policy and additionally it was framed in such a manner as to inspire debate.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 12) showing:

(1) The names and addresses of all companies, co-operatives, partnerships, sole proprietorships or other persons or entities that received loans from the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in each of the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (2) The amount of each of the said loans referred to in (1) above, the interest rate at

which each of such loans was made, the terms or repayment, and the nature of the security taken in each case.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was negatived.

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 58) showing:

The gross dollar volume in approximate amounts of premiums paid to the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office by the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions, and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years: (a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "premiums" in the first line be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"earned (net of reinsurance) by The Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office in respect of insurance coverage provided to the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years: (a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 1), it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Yorkton), seconded by Mr. McNeill:

That this Assembly requests the Federal Government to call the producer plebiscite promised by the Honourable Otto Lang to decide on the future of the present Federal Feed Grains Policy, and failing this to immediately remove this policy.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Wiebe, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 4), it was moved by Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. McNeill:

That this Assembly requests the federal government to recognize the inadequacy of its present stabilization programs and move to amend Bill C-50 in order to develop long-term national stabilization programs based on Federal-Provincial producer co-operation that guarantee realistic prices based on full costs of production for all agricultural products with first priority being given to programs for key commodities such as hogs and calves, and that the amendments also prevent proliferation of provincial programs that distort natural production advantages.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Anderson, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 6), a Point of Order was raised to the effect that the Resolution contained more than one

topic. Mr. Speaker ruled that the Resolution dealt with one broad topic of "rail passenger service" and was therefore in order.

Thereupon it was moved by Mr. Kowalchuk, seconded by Mr. Skoberg:

That this Assembly requests the federal government to guarantee improved and efficient rail passenger service for the north and south rail users in Saskatchewan and that the "user must pay" policy announced by the Federal Minister of Transportation be deplored as being discriminatory against rail passenger users and not consistent with an overall transportation policy.

A further Point of Order was raised to the effect that the motion contained two distinct propositions and should be split. The Speaker referred Members to a Ruling of March 23, 1965 (*Journals of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, 1965*, p.148) and ruled that the motion dealt with one broad topic and the parts were not sufficiently distinct to merit splitting the motion.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 7), it was moved by Mr. Vickar, seconded by Mr. Skoberg:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Saskatchewan to investigate all aspects of petroleum marketing and distribution in Saskatchewan, and in particular that it study the desirability of divorcement legislation to limit the number of retail service stations operated by producers, refiners or any subsidiary of a producer or refiner of petroleum products as one of several measures that might be adopted to protect the position of service station operators and consumers.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Merchant, seconded by Mr. Malone, in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added after the word "consumers" in the seventh line:

"and that the House congratulate the Hon. Member from Melfort, Mr. Vickar, on the fresh and innovative nature of this Resolution and the intuitive and inventive nature of his intellect which allowed this novel Resolution to be presented to this House".

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order on the grounds that the amendment contained a personal reference to another Member of the Assembly and that the amendment was not relevant to the topic under consideration. Mr. Speaker supported his ruling by referring to *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, p.122, cit. 140 and p. 127, cit. 149.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Stodalka, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 8), it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), seconded by Mr. Cameron:

That this Assembly requests the Government of Saskatchewan to immediately change the licensing requirements of non-resident outfitters operating tourist fishing camps in Saskatchewan by making it compulsory that:

- (a) at least 30% of the Directors of such foreign-owned companies are Canadian citizens; (b) bonding be a requirement; (c) all wages to Saskatchewan residents be paid on an account from a Canadian banking institution; before a non-resident outfitter's licence or permit can be obtained.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Cameron, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 9), it was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Larter:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Saskatchewan to co-operate with and assist the farmers and ranchers of Saskatchewan who are interested in establishing a musk-ox industry in this Province.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. McMillan, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Robbins, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the South Saskatchewan Hospital Centre for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 62)

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Order of the Assembly was issued to the proper officer, viz.:—

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 54) showing:

- (1) The weight limits on Highway No. 4 from Swift Current to Rosetown.
- (2) The weight limits on Highway No. 7 from Rosetown to Saskatoon.
- (3) If a difference in the above two, the reason for such.

Moved by Mr. Lane: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 57) showing:

(1) Whether the Saskatchewan Securities Commission made any investigations in the calendar year 1975.

(2) If so: (a) the number; (b) the total number of individuals investigated; (c) the reasons for each investigation.

(3) Whether any purchaser or potential purchaser of shares in the Weyburn Inland Terminal was investigated. If so:

(a) the name of the person or persons investigated;

(b) the reasons for each such investigation.

(4) The results of any or all of the investigations.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

The Assembly adjourned at 9:11 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurphy until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, April 7, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 33—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Lane, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 47—An Act to amend The Local Government Board Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Lane, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Dairy Products Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Birkbeck, adjourned.

According to Order, the following Bills were read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting:

Bill No. 7—An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1969.

Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Agricultural Implements Act, 1968—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Berntson, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Matsalla: That Bill No. 10—An Act to amend The Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers: The Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Rural Telephone Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accord-

ingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Snyder: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Department of Government Services Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Snyder: That Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Snyder: That Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Fire Prevention Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kramer: That Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Highways Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper	Kaeding	Thompson
Thibault	Kwasnica	Banda
Bowerman	McNeill	Steuart
Smishek	MacAuley	Malone
Romanow	Feschuk	MacDonald
Baker	Shillington	Penner
Lange	Rolfes	Nelson (Assiniboia-
Faris	Skoberg	Gravelbourg)
Kowalchuk	Vickar	Clifford
MacMurchy	Nelson (Yorkton)	Anderson
Mostoway	Koskie	Merchant
Whelan	Johnson	McMillan

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Collver	Berntson	Katzman	
Bailey	Ham	Birkbeck	—6

The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed.

Bill No. 1—An Act to amend An Act to provide a Superannuation Allowance for a Certain Former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Bill No. 2—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 1).

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 2).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper	Kaeding	Koskie	
Thibault	Kwasnica	Johnson	
Smishek	McNeill	Thompson	
Romanow	MacAuley	Banda	
Baker	Feschuk	Collver	
Lange	Shillington	Bailey	
Kowalchuk	Rolfes	Berntson	
MacMurchy	Skoberg	Ham	
Mostoway	Vickar	Katzman	
Whelan	Nelson (Yorkton)	Birkbeck	—30

NAYS

Stewart	Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg)	Anderson	
Malone	Clifford	Merchant	
MacDonald		McMillan	
Penner			—9

The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:11 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, April 8, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Conservation of Coal Resources in Saskatchewan.

(Hon. Mr. Whelan)

Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Mental Health Act.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly adjourned at 9:31 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek until Friday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Friday, April 9, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 52—An Act respecting the Department of Municipal Affairs.
(*Hon. Mr. MacMurchy*)

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to the Election Act, 1971, s. 203A(1) (a), a report respecting election expenses of candidates and their business managers, and of recognized political parties at the Eighteenth General Election held on 11 June 1975.

(*Sessional Paper No. 66*)

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 10), it was moved by Mr. Merchant, seconded by Mr. Malone:

That this Assembly strongly disapproves of the policies of the Department of Mineral Resources of the Government of Saskatchewan which have destroyed the confidence of the oil and gas industry and resulted in a decline of Saskatchewan drilling and exploration activity, while drilling continues to increase in other provinces and the Territories.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan, seconded by Mr. Allen, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "strongly" be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"commends the Department of Mineral Resources of the Government of Saskatchewan for retaining for the people of Saskatchewan a fair share of the windfall gains from unprecedented crude oil price increases in the past two and a half years; while at the same time establishing incentive programs aimed at encouraging exploration and development in Saskatchewan by allowing oil and gas producers to recover certain expenditures made for such exploration and development from the mineral income tax and royalty surcharge."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Allen, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 11), it was moved by Mr. Collver, seconded by Mr. Larter:

That this Assembly commend the Saskatchewan Elocution and Debate Association for hosting the first annual Western Canada Model U.N. Assembly in Regina, April 9 - 11, 1976, at Miller Comprehensive High School, at which over two hundred high school students from across

Western Canada, chosen by the debating societies and clubs in their schools, will be debating extremely important international issues such as:

- “(1) That the U.N. support a system of indexation of raw material prices to prices commanded by manufactured goods traded internationally;
- (2) That the U.N. support a system of internationally financed and controlled buffer stocks of key resources;
- (3) That the U.N. encourage the concept of an integrated commodity agreement for fairer trading of key raw materials;
- (4) That the industrialized countries lower or abolish tariff duties presently charged on manufactured goods coming from third world countries;
- (5) That U.N. member states have the right to regulate the activities of these institutions and transnational corporations according to domestic law, including the right to nationalization;
- (6) That special drawing rights be created as an international currency under the International Monetary Fund, and that the distribution of these be according to development needs;
- (7) Be it resolved that: (a) U.N. member states recognize the concept of the “Cultural Mosaic” and encourage its reality both within national borders and on the international level, and (b) Member states take into consideration in planning development strategies, international and domestic, the aspirations and priorities of any differing cultures to be affected by such strategies. (c) U.N. take steps to eliminate apartheid policies in countries where they exist.”

And whatever our political views of the topics chosen, further commends the Saskatchewan Elocution and Debate Association for involving the young people of Western Canada in a debate of such important international topics.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Return (No. 46) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 22, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Bailey, showing:

- (1) Whether George Reamsbottom is now in the employment of the Saskatchewan Government or a Saskatchewan Government agency.
- (2) If so, his present position and previous experience.

(Sessional Paper No. 63)

Return (No. 4) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated December 2, 1975 on the motion of Mr. Anderson, showing:

(1) The number of private houses purchased by the Department of Northern Saskatchewan during the fiscal years (a) 1972-73; (b) 1973-74; (c) 1974-75; (d) 1975-76 to November 1, 1975. (2) The location, former owner and price paid for each such house.

(Sessional Paper No. 64)

By the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, a member of the Executive Council:

Statement of Payments made pursuant to Section 201D(3) of The Election Act, 1971.

(Sessional Paper No. 65)

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Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 59) showing:

The total amount of all claims paid by the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office to the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years:

(a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date.

A debate arising, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "claims" in the first line be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"and expenses incurred in respect of insurance coverages provided by The Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office to the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years:

(a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date."

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:54 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, April 12, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 53—An Act to amend The Mental Health Act, (No. 2).
(Mr. Merchant)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. MacAuley be substituted for that of the Hon. Mr. Whelan on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Motor Dealers Act, 1966—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Collver, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Veterinarians Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Magistrates' Courts Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The Provincial Magistrates Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Agricultural Machinery Institute Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Agricultural Products Market Development Fund Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 27—An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act, 1971—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Change of Name Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 29—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Prescription Drugs Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 35—An Act to repeal The Urban Advisory Commission Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 52—An Act respecting the Department of Municipal Affairs—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Penner, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Stodalka, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act (No. 1)—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed.

Bill No. 18—An Act to amend The Credit Union Act, 1972.

Bill No. 19—An Act to amend The Northern Co-operative Trading Services Act, 1959.

Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Forest Act.

Bill No. 11—An Act to amend The Land Surveys Act.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Romanow, a member of the Executive Council:

A detailed statement of all remissions made under The Penalties and Forfeitures Act, being Chapter 22 of The Revised Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1965, for the period from the 1st day of April, 1975, to the 31st day of March, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 67)

At 9:31 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, April 13, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Lane, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

1. Your Committee met for organization and appointed Mr. Lane as its Chairman, and Mr. Skoberg as its Vice Chairman.
2. Your Committee has considered the matter of printing and recommends as follows:
 - (a) That 350 copies of the Journals be printed, including therewith the "Questions and Answers" as an appendix;
 - (b) That 400 copies of the Debates and Proceedings be multilithed with all convenient speed, one copy each to be supplied to Members of the Assembly;
 - (c) That 130 copies of the Minutes and Verbatim Report of Proceedings of the Public Accounts Committee be multilithed with all convenient speed, one copy each to be supplied to Members of the Assembly; and
 - (d) That 500 copies of the Final Report of the Special Committee on the Review of Liquor Regulations in Saskatchewan, January, 1973, and 1000 copies of the Final Report of the Special Committee on Highway Traffic and Safety, February, 1975, be printed.

On motion of Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Skoberg:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing be now concurred in.

According to Order, the following Bills were read a second time and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills:

Bill No. 01—An Act to provide for exemption from taxation of Property of the Archiepiscopal Corporation of Regina.

Bill No. 02—An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate "An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate An Act to incorporate Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Limited".

Bill No. 03—An Act to incorporate Place Riel Society.

Bill No. 04—An Act to amend An Act to incorporate Le College Catholique de Gravelbourg.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 9) showing:

(1) The amount of money loaned by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation to Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited, together with the date of the loan, the interest rate, the security taken by Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation and the loss sustained thereon. (2) The maximum number of employees employed by Meadow Lake Wood Industries Limited. (3) The date the said company ceased doing business. (4) The date the said company was placed into bankruptcy or receivership.

The question being put, it was negatived.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 11) showing:

(1) Particulars, including the name and address of the borrower, of all loans made by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975 in respect of which there has been default. (2) The action taken by the Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in respect of each of such loan defaults, the amount lost, if any, in each case and the present status of the borrower that is still in business, or in bankruptcy, or in receivership.

The question being put, it was negatived.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 8) moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg):

That this Assembly requests the Government of Saskatchewan to immediately change the licensing requirements of non-resident outfitters operating tourist fishing camps in Saskatchewan by making it compulsory that:

(a) at least 30% of the Directors of such foreign-owned companies are Canadian citizens; (b) bonding be a requirement; (c) all wages to Saskatchewan residents be paid on an account from a Canadian banking institution; before a non-resident outfitter's licence or permit can be obtained.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Stodalka
Lane
Wiebe
Malone

MacDonald
Cameron
Nelson (Assiniboia-
Gravelbourg)

Clifford
Anderson
Merchant
Thatcher

NAYS

Blakeney	Robbins	Cowley
Pepper	MacMurchy	Tchorzewski
Smishek	Mostoway	Matsalla
Romanow	Whelan	Skoberg
Snyder	Kaeding	Vickar
Byers	Kwasnica	Nelson (Yorkton)
Kramer	Dyck	Allen
Baker	McNeill	Koskie
Lange	Feschuk	Johnson
Faris	Shillington	Thompson
Kowalchuk	Rolfes	Banda

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 9) moved by Mr. Bailey:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Saskatchewan to co-operate with and assist the farmers and ranchers of Saskatchewan who are interested in establishing a musk-ox industry in this Province.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 10) moved by Mr. Merchant:

That this Assembly strongly disapproves of the policies of the Department of Mineral Resources of the Government of Saskatchewan which have destroyed the confidence of the oil and gas industry and resulted in a decline of Saskatchewan drilling and exploration activity, while drilling continues to increase in other provinces and the Territories.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

That all the words after the word “strongly” be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

“commends the Department of Mineral Resources of the Government of Saskatchewan for retaining for the people of Saskatchewan a fair share of the windfall gains from unprecedented crude oil price increases in the past two and a half years; while at the same time establishing incentive programs aimed at encouraging exploration and development in Saskatchewan by allowing oil and gas producers to recover certain expenditures made for such exploration and development from the mineral income tax and royalty surcharge.”

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Liquor Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Cowley, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Birkbeck: That Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Natural Products Marketing Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That Bill No. 40—An Act to amend The Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Robbins, a member of the Executive Council:

Interim Report on Saskatchewan Vital Statistics for the calendar year 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 68)

Annual Report of the Souris Valley Extended Care Hospital for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 69)

By the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Universities Commission for the year ended June 30, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 70)

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Order of the Assembly was issued to the proper officer, viz.

By Mr. Larter, for a Return (No. 61) showing:

The detailed cost of work done in 1975 by the Department of Highways on 4.9 miles of Highway No. 18 west of Estevan.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Lane: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 13) showing:

(1) Whether the Government entered into any agreement with Cairns Homes Ltd. to maintain a certain level of housing or lot cost in the City of Regina. (2) If so; (a) the date of the said agreement; (b) copies of the said agreement.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by the Hon Mr. MacMurchy:

That all the words after the word "agreement" in the third line be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"(b) the nature of the key principles incorporated in the agreement."

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 58) showing:

The gross dollar volume in approximate amounts of premiums paid to the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office by the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions, and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years: (a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

That all the words after the word "premiums" in the first line be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"earned (net of reinsurance) by The Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office in respect of insurance coverage provided to the various Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions and Crown Corporations of the Government of Saskatchewan during the fiscal years: (a) 1974-75 and (b) 1975-76 to date."

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

At 9:31 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, April 14, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Initially I want to say that I regret the undignified verbal outburst by the Member for Thunder Creek during the Oral Question period yesterday wherein he was, then and there, insisting on an explanation for being cutoff by a call for the next question.

Let me direct the Member to Recommendation No. 3 of the Interim Report

“ . . . Mr. Speaker will not entertain points of order during the Oral Question Period. Points of order may be raised later on Orders of the Day.”

Before Orders of the Day the Member properly asked why he was cutoff. In that regard, I have now examined the verbatim transcript and confirmed my reasons for calling for the next question.

The Member for Thunder Creek was, contrary to the Recommendation of the Interim Report of the Special Committee on Rules and Procedure,

- (a) giving information
- (b) giving his opinion
- (c) doing it in the nature of debate

therefore I passed on to the next questioner as is specified in the Interim Report.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

We proceed through the business of this Legislature on the basic premise that all Members are honourable Members.

I will concede that most, if not all, Members hold strong views and often express them strongly. That is to be expected and in fact protected. As Parliamentarians we all share a responsibility to preserve the forum wherein all Members can express their views on a continuing basis.

The office of Speaker plays a part in this noteworthy endeavor. If the credibility of the office of Speaker is devaluated, without just cause, then, in the long term, our democratic institution will suffer.

This brings me to the specific observation I want to make. On Monday April 12, 1976 the following statements were made during Oral Question Period by;

- (1) Leader of the Opposition in reference to the Speaker

“I wish you would quit protecting the Government” I immediately asked the Leader of the Opposition to show from the record how I was protecting the Government. His immediate response was

“I will be very happy to do that Mr. Speaker” I report now that has not been done.

- (2) The Member for Indian Head-Wolseley said

“Just protecting them” which was a remark following my ruling that the Member for Regina Lakeview was debating an issue rather than placing an oral question. The Member for Indian Head-Wolseley’s remark was obviously a remark similar to the charge by the Leader of the Opposition.

- (3) The Member for Regina Lakeview said, before Orders of the Day, while raising a Point of Order,

“ . . . the only conclusion that we can come to properly is that you are indeed protecting the Government from these embarrassing questions.”

Later in the same statement the Member from Lakeview repeated his charge by saying:

“. . . the Government has been in our view, protected by the Chair from proper questioning . . .”

These most serious charges if allowed to remain will be a blot on and an irritant in our Legislative processes.

I have invited Members many times to see me about such situations, however, the invitation has not been accepted.

Therefore, I propose the following order to assist the return to a more normal legislative climate as specified in the rules established by you for the use of this Chamber:

- (1) That if the Members herein named establish proof from the record of their charges I will apologise to this Assembly.
- (2) That if the Members do not establish convincing proof then the onus will be on them to respond accordingly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

Ordered, That when this Assembly adjourns on Thursday, April 15, 1976, it do stand adjourned until Monday, April 19, 1976.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 58, the petitioners of Private Bills Nos. 07 and 09 of the First Session of the Eighteenth Legislature be refunded in full their deposits of one hundred and fifty dollars.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Bowerman, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation for the year ending October 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 71)

At 5:37 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2), until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, April 15, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 54—An Act to amend The Gift Tax Act, 1972.
(*Hon. Mr. Smishek*)

The following Motion for Return (*Not Debatable*) on the Orders of the Day was transferred to the Motions for Returns (*Debatable*) classification:

By Mr. Merchant, for a Return (No. 60) showing:

(1) The number of applications that have been made to the Liquor Licensing Commission for a liquor license of any sort since 1970. (2) The number of applications that have been made with the assistance of lawyers appearing or on record. (3) The names of the law firms of record on behalf of the applicants where known. (4) The result of the various applications where lawyers were on record by specific case. (5) The date of the final disposition of the respective applications.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of the Estimates, the Chairman ruled that certain remarks were withdrawn. Mr. Merchant appealed the said ruling.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Thereupon, Mr. Pepper reported as follows:—

“Mr. Speaker, during the proceedings of the Committee I ruled that the Minister of Finance had made some unparliamentary remarks which I asked him to explain or substantiate. The Minister then explained and withdrew his remarks to my satisfaction. My ruling was challenged.”

Thereupon, Mr. Speaker put the question: “Shall the ruling of the Chairman be confirmed?”—which was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Thibault
Smishek
Romanow
Messer
Snyder
Byers
Kramer
Lange
Mostoway

Kwasnica
Dyck
McNeill
MacAuley
Feschuk
Shillington
Rolfes
Cowley

Tchorzewski
Matsalla
Skoberg
Nelson (Yorkton)
Allen
Koskie
Johnson
Banda

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NAYS

Steuart
Stodalka
Lane
Malone
MacDonald
Cameron

Nelson (Assiniboia-
Gravelbourg)
Clifford
Anderson
Merchant
McMillan

Thatcher
Collver
Larter
Bailey
Berntson
Katzman
Birkbeck

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The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

(In the Committee)

During consideration of a motion, it was moved "That the question be now put". The Chairman ruled the motion out of order and cited *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, cit. 196, p. 166.

Progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Land Bank Commission for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 72)

By the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, a member of the Executive Council:

Interim Report of the Committee on the Role and Remuneration of Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan dated April 14, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 73)

The Assembly adjourned at 5:10 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, April 19, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday:

Bill No. 55—An Act respecting The Institute of Accredited Public Accountants of Saskatchewan.

(*Mr. Mostoway*)

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 56—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Bill of Rights Act.

(*Mr. Merchant*)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

This morning, I received from the Member for Nipawin, a notice on a Point of Privilege, for which I thank the Hon. Member. The point raised was to the effect that the Privileges of this Assembly had been violated by the Minister of Finance in the Committee of Finance on Thursday last.

I want to point out to all Hon. Members, that by procedural tradition, the Speaker leaves the Chair when the Assembly resolves itself into either the Committee of the Whole or Committee of Finance. The proceedings in either of these Committees is the direct responsibility of the Chairman of Committees. Points of Privilege and Points of Order raised in either of these Committees must be decided by the Chairman.

I refer all Hon. Members to Rule No. 81(3) which is as follows:

“The Chairman shall maintain order in the Committees of the Whole Assembly, deciding all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Assembly; but disorder in a Committee can only be censured by the Assembly, on receiving a report thereof.”

Our Rules allow an appeal from the Chairman's Ruling in the Committee at which time, the Committee Chairman reports to the Assembly on the point raised and that the ruling has been appealed. This in fact was done on Thursday last.

The Speaker cannot comment on the proceedings in the Committee but is obliged to immediately put the question “Shall the Ruling of the Chairman be sustained?” The Rules prohibit any comments at this point by either Mr. Speaker or any Member. (*Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, cit. 232(1), p.197).

On Thursday last, the Assembly confirmed the ruling of the Chairman and the Assembly accordingly resolved itself again into the Committee of Finance.

I stress that the appeal from the Committee is to the Assembly and not to the Speaker.

I therefore rule that all of the proper procedural practices were followed and that no Rules or Privileges had been violated. I rule that there is no *prima facie* case of privilege in this case.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

At 9:33 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, April 20, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by Mr. Steuart:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing since the last Session of a former Member of this Assembly, and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contributions he made to his community, his constituency and to this Province:

OAKLAND WOODS VALLEAU, who died on March 6, 1976, was a Member of this Legislature for the constituency of Melfort from 1938 to 1948. He was born in 1892 in Lennox County, Ontario, where he received his education. After coming to Western Canada on a harvest excursion in 1911, he homesteaded in the Moose Range district the following year, and later farmed in the Hanley, Kenaston and Aylsham areas. He served as Minister of the newly established Department of Social Welfare from 1944 to 1948 and was appointed Provincial Secretary for the same years. He was also Minister in Charge of the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office and served on the Board of Directors of the Government Finance Office. He was a commissioner on the Saskatchewan Power Commission and later served on the Board of Directors of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation. From 1948 to 1962, he was Chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Board. He was an active member of the United Farmers of Canada, the Canadian Seed Grower's Association, the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, and the Co-operative Movement. He was also a member of the Caledonian Curling Club. During the years 1945 to 1948, his son, Delmar, was also a Member of the Legislature, which was the first occasion that a father and son served together in the Saskatchewan Legislature.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathies with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by Mr. Steuart:

Ordered, That the Resolution just passed, together with the transcripts of oral tributes to the memory of the deceased Member, be communicated to the bereaved family on behalf of this Assembly by Mr. Speaker.

The Order of the Day being called for Motions for Returns (Nos. 62 and 63), they were dropped.

Moved by Mr. Cameron: That an humble Address (No. 1) be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor praying that His Honour will cause to be laid before this Assembly:

Copies of all correspondence between members of the Executive Council of the Government of Saskatchewan and officials, elected and non-

elected of the Government of Canada during the period January 1st, 1973 and January 1st, 1976, about the possibility of establishing in Saskatchewan a Crown owned and operated potash marketing board or agency.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 60) showing:

(1) The number of applications that have been made to the Liquor Licensing Commission for a liquor license of any sort since 1970. (2) The number of applications that have been made with the assistance of lawyers appearing or on record. (3) The names of the law firms of record on behalf of the applicants where known. (4) The result of the various applications where lawyers were on record by specific case. (5) The date of the final disposition of the respective applications.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 12), it was moved by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. MacDonald:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Saskatchewan to borrow money for the acquisition of potash mines solely on the security of the mines purchased or expropriated so that in the event financial difficulties are encountered the general revenues of the Province and hence the medical care and hospital plans, education, highways, agricultural and other programs are not exposed to the financial risks incurred in acquiring potash mines.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. MacDonald, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 2) moved by Mr. Koskie:

That this Assembly commends the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office for the following achievements: (1) in a period of stress that has led a number of insurers to withdraw from business in Saskatchewan and elsewhere in Canada, maintaining the lowest automobile insurance rates in Canada and at the same time meeting the reasonable requirements of all Saskatchewan residents who need such insurance; (2) in recognition of the contribution made throughout their lives by the senior citizens of the Province and as a token of appreciation to them in this time of need making available to them at a substantial premium discount a policy of insurance described as the "Pension Pak" which provides insurance against damage to their homes and contents by fire, lightning and explosion, sewer backup, theft and various other allied perils.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Wiebe, in amendment thereto:

That all the words after the word "Assembly" in the first line be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"condemns the Government of Saskatchewan for its political take-over and politicization of the Saskatchewan Government Insurance Office."

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Malone: "That this debate be now adjourned."

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Steuart	Malone	Clifford
Stodalka	MacDonald	Merchant
Lane	Cameron	McMillan
Wiebe	Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg)	

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NAYS

Blakeney	MacMurchy	Matsalla
Pepper	Mostoway	Vickar
Thibault	Larson	Nelson (Yorkton)
Smishek	Whelan	Allen
Romanow	Kaeding	Koskie
Messer	Kwasnica	Johnson
Snyder	Dyck	Thompson
Byers	McNeill	Banda
Kramer	MacAuley	Berntson
Baker	Feschuk	Ham
Faris	Rolfes	Katzman
Kowalchuk	Cowley	Birkbeck
Robbins		

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The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, and the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived.

The debate continuing on the motion, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 3) moved by Mr. Johnson:

That this Assembly (1) urges the Government of Canada to immediately announce a price support program under Bill C-50 for cow-calf operators to provide some stability to the livestock industry; and (2) requests that the Federal Government begin discussions immediately with Provincial Governments to examine the feasibility of establishing a National Meat Marketing Agency.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 1) moved by Mr. Nelson (Yorkton):

That this Assembly requests the Federal Government to call the producer plebiscite promised by the Honourable Otto Lang to decide on the future of the present Federal Feed Grains Policy, and failing this to immediately remove this policy.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 4) moved by Mr. Banda:

That this Assembly requests the federal government to recognize the inadequacy of its present stabilization programs and move to amend Bill C-50 in order to develop long-term national stabilization programs based on Federal-Provincial producer co-operation that guarantee realistic prices based on full costs of production for all agricultural products with first priority being given to programs for key commodities such as hogs and calves, and that the amendments also prevent proliferation of provincial programs that distort natural production advantages.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 6) moved by Mr. Kowalchuk:

That this Assembly requests the federal government to guarantee improved and efficient rail passenger service for the north and south rail users in Saskatchewan and that the "user must pay" policy announced by the Federal Minister of Transportation be deplored as being discriminatory against rail passenger users and not consistent with an overall transportation policy.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Katzman: That Bill No. 42—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973 (No. 2)—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns and Papers Ordered

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 6) showing:

- (1) The dates of each of the contracts entered into between Len Dowie Construction Limited and the Saskatchewan Power Corporation in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975.
- (2) The amounts of money

paid by the Saskatchewan Power Corporation to Len Dowie Construction Limited in each of the years 1972, 1973, 1974 and 1975. (3) The particulars of each of the said contracts. (4) Whether any portion of the contract price, in respect of any contract between the Saskatchewan Power Corporation and Len Dowie Construction Limited, has been assigned to Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation or is payable or being paid to Saskatchewan Economic Development Corporation in any manner whatsoever.

The debate continuing, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, in amendment thereto:

That Return (No. 6) be amended as follows:

That the numbers "1969, 1970, 1971" be inserted after the word "years" in part (1) and (2).

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

At 9:33 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, April 21, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Before Orders of the Day Mr. Steuart rose to read a statement regarding Rulings of the Chair during the Oral Question period. Mr. Speaker ruled that a Member may not debate or make a statement after the Chair has made a Ruling.

Mr. Speaker's ruling having been appealed by Mr. Cameron, Mr. Speaker put the question: "Shall the Ruling of the Chair be sustained?"—which was agreed to.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Return (No. 54) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 6, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Bailey, showing:

- (1) The weight limits on Highway No. 4 from Swift Current to Rosetown.
- (2) The weight limits on Highway No. 7 from Rosetown to Saskatoon.
- (3) If a difference in the above two, the reason for such.

(Sessional Paper No. 74)

At 5:32 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2), until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, April 22, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Allen from the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the First Report of the said Committee which is as follows:—

Your Committee met for organization and appointed Mr. Allen as its Chairman and Mr. MacDonald as its Vice Chairman.

Your Committee has considered the following Bills, and agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill No. 01—An Act to provide for exemption from taxation of Property of the Archiepiscopal Corporation of Regina.

Bill No. 04—An Act to amend An Act to incorporate Le College Catholique de Gravelbourg.

Your Committee has considered the following Bills and agreed to report the same with amendment:

Bill No. 03—An Act to incorporate Place Riel Society.

Bill No. 02—An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate “An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate An Act to incorporate Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Limited”.

Your Committee recommends, under the provisions of Rule 58, that fees be remitted less the cost of printing with respect to Bills Nos. 01, 03 and 04.

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Koskie:

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills be now concurred in.

The Minister, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bill was received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 57—An Act to amend The Union Hospital Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Robbins*)

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 58—An Act respecting Emergency Medical Aid.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

A Point of Privilege was raised yesterday to the effect that several questions during the Oral Question period contained personal allegations I have examined the verbatim transcript and find that there is no *prima facie* case of privilege.

I did note that several questions did contain inferences to certain alleged events and did contain imputations. I refer all Hon. Members to *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, p. 147, cit. 171 (h) and (i) which states that questions must not contain inferences or imputations.

I stress to the Members that I am not objecting to questions which are strictly requests for information or Government policy on this issue but I do caution all Hon. Members to avoid any questions which contain inferences or imputations.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On April 20, 1976 the Member for Rosthern rose on a Point of Order namely that I was allowing the Member for Quill Lakes to close debate on Resolution (No. 2), after I had started to put the question.

On examination of the evidence I find the Member for Rosthern's Point of Order was well taken. I find that I neglected to ask "Is the Assembly ready for the question", which would have been the signal for the mover to rise and close debate.

I apologize to both Members and the House for any inconvenience I may have created.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 33—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 47—An Act to amend The Local Government Board Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding That Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Dairy Products Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Wiebe, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Agricultural Implements Act, 1968—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Thatcher, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 27—An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act, 1971—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Prescription Drugs Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 35—An Act to repeal The Urban Advisory Commission Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 52—An Act respecting the Department of Municipal Affairs—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act (No. 1)—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed.

Bill No. 7—An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1969.

Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.

Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The Provincial Magistrates Act.

Bill No. 22—An Act to repeal The Agricultural Extension Act.

Bill No. 23—An Act to amend The Animal Protection Act, 1972.

Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Veterinarians Act.

Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Agricultural Machinery Institute Act, 1974.

Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Agricultural Products Market Development Fund Act, 1974.

Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Act, 1973.

Bill No. 10—An Act to amend The Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources Act, 1974.

Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Fire Prevention Act.

Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The Department of Government Services Act, 1972.

Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act.

Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Highways Act.

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act.

Bill No. 29—An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act.

Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Rural Telephone Act.

Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act.

The following Bills were reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 3—An Act respecting Private Investigators and Security Guards.

Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Magistrates' Courts Act.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Messer: That Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kramer, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Government Finance Office for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 75)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:27 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Friday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Friday, April 23, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed.

Bill No. 01—An Act to provide for exemption from taxation of Property of the Archiepiscopal Corporation of Regina.

Bill No. 02—An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate “An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate An Act to incorporate Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Limited”.

Bill No. 03—An Act to incorporate Place Riel Society.

Bill No. 04—An Act to amend An Act to incorporate Le College Catholique de Gravelbourg.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Liquor Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Skoberg, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Birkbeck: That Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Natural Products Marketing Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Whelan, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Merchant: That Bill No. 40—An Act to amend The Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Stodalka
Lane
Wiebe
Malone
Cameron

Nelson (Assiniboia-
Gravelbourg)
Clifford
Anderson
Merchant

McMillan
Thatcher
Bailey
Berntson
Birkbeck

NAYS

Blakeney
Pepper
Thibault
Bowerman
Romanow
Snyder
Byers
Kramer
Lange

Faris
Kowalchuk
Robbins
Mostoway
Larson
Whelan
Dyck
McNeill
Shillington

Rolfes
Matsalla
Skoberg
Vickar
Nelson (Yorkton)
Allen
Koskie
Johnson
Banda

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The Assembly adjourned at 4:37 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, April 26, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

(In the Committee)

INTERIM SUPPLY

Main Estimates, 1976-77

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding two hundred and seventeen million, five hundred and thirty thousand and forty dollars, being approximately two-twelfths of the amount of each of the several sums to be voted, as set forth in the estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1977, laid before the Assembly at the present session, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for the twelve months ending March 31st, 1977.

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1977, the sum of two hundred and seventeen million, five hundred and thirty thousand and forty dollars be granted out of the consolidated fund.

The said Resolutions were reported, and, by leave of the Assembly, read twice and agreed to, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 59—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of March, 1977—be now introduced and read the first time.

Question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, the said Bill was then read a second and third time and passed.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Motor Dealers Act, 1966—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Agricultural Implements Act, 1968—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Messer: That Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan: That Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Conservation of Coal Resources in Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 54—An Act to amend The Gift Tax Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Orders of the Assembly were issued to the proper officers, viz.:—

By Mr. Stodalka, for a Return (No. 64) showing:

With regard to the courses sponsored by the Cypress Hills Community College during the 1974-75 fiscal year:

(a) the name of the course; (b) the location where the course was offered; (c) the duration of the course in hours; (d) the enrolment per course; (e) the cost including instructional fees, rent and travel fees per course; (f) fees collected per course.

By Mr. Stodalka, for a Return (No. 65) showing:

With respect to the Cypress Hills Community College:

(a) a statement of revenue and expenditures during the 1974-75 fiscal year; (b) the names of the people, excluding instructors, who were employed either full-time or part-time and the sums of money in wages paid to each during the 1974-75 fiscal year; (c) travelling expenses

paid to each employee referred to in part (b); (d) any other sums of money paid to each employee referred to in part (b).

At 9:31 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, April 27, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Koskie, from the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented the Second Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Having duly examined the Annual Reports and Financial Statements for the last completed fiscal year of the various Crown Corporations and related Agencies, as referred to it from time to time by the Assembly, your Committee has satisfied itself that they reflect the state of the Corporations and Agencies to which they severally relate, as operated in accordance with Government policy

In conducting its examination, your Committee questioned the responsible Ministers, who attended with the Chief Officers of the respective Corporations and Agencies, no restrictions being placed upon questions asked within the Order of Reference, save and except questions, the answers to which, in the opinion of the responsible Ministers, might disclose information not in the public interest or prejudicial to the commercial positions of the Corporation or Agency concerned.

The Committee considered and agreed to the following Resolutions:

(a) That the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations record its approval of the actions taken by the Board of Directors of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation with respect to changes which took place in senior management during the year under review.

(b) That this Committee recommends that the Saskatchewan Power Corporation investigate the possibility of acquiring prototypes of vehicles which use electric and/or flywheel energy storage systems to be utilized in an experimental capacity to attempt to conserve energy and material resources in the transportation sector.

(c) That this Committee recommend that the annual reports of all Saskatchewan Power Corporation wholly-owned subsidiaries in future be tabled in the Committee prior to the consideration of the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation.

Nine Questions were referred to the Committee by the Assembly in the course of the Session, all of which have been answered.

The following Questions and Answers will be included in the Journals:

Questions Nos.: 12, 40, 41, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84 of the First Session of the Eighteenth Legislature.

Moved by Mr. Koskie, seconded by Mr. Mostoway:

That the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be now concurred in.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Steuart, adjourned.

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 61—An Act to amend The Potash Development Act, 1976.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Mineral Resources Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 64—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 65—An Act respecting Annual Holidays, Hours of Work, Minimum Wages and Other Employment Standards.
(*Hon. Mr. Snyder*)

Bill No. 67—An Act to amend The Vehicles Act.
(*Hon. Mr. MacMurchy*)

Bill No. 68—An Act to amend The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act.
(*Hon. Mr. MacMurchy*)

Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Fuel Petroleum Products Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

The following Bills were received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Act, 1976.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Condominium Property Act, 1968.
(*Hon. Mr. Shillington*)

Bill No. 70—An Act to amend The Snowmobile Act, 1973.
(*Hon. Mr. MacMurchy*)

Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act.
(*Hon. Mr. Romanow*)

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bill, the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved:

That Bill No. 66—An Act to amend The Teachers' Superannuation Act, 1970—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	Dyck	Wiebe
Pepper	McNeill	Malone
Thibault	MacAuley	MacDonald
Romanow	Feschuk	Penner
Messer	Shillington	Cameron
Snyder	Rolfes	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)
Byers	Matsalla	Clifford
Baker	Skoberg	Anderson
Lange	Vickar	McMillan
Faris	Nelson (Yorkton)	Collver
Kowalchuk	Allen	Larter
MacMurchy	Koskie	Bailey
Mostoway	Johnson	Berntson
Larson	Thompson	Katzman
Whelan	Banda	Birkbeck
Kaeding	Steuart	
Kwasnica	Lane	

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NAYS

Nil

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bill, the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved:

That Bill No. 69—An Act respecting The Transportation Agency of Saskatchewan—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	MacMurchy	Shillington
Pepper	Mostoway	Rolfes
Thibault	Larson	Matsalla
Romanow	Whelan	Skoberg
Messer	Kaeding	Vickar
Snyder	Kwasnica	Nelson (Yorkton)
Byers	Dyck	Allen
Baker	McNeill	Koskie
Lange	MacAuley	Johnson
Faris	Feschuk	Thompson
Kowalchuk		

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NAYS

Steuart	MacDonald	Clifford
Lane	Penner	Anderson
Wiebe	Cameron	Merchant
Malone	Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg)	McMillan

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bill, the Hon. Mr. Romanow, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved:

That Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Act, 1974—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	Kowalchuk	Feschuk
Pepper	MacMurchy	Shillington
Thibault	Mostoway	Rolfes
Romanow	Larson	Matsalla
Messer	Whelan	Skoberg
Snyder	Kaeding	Vickar
Byers	Kwasnica	Nelson (Yorkton)
Baker	Dyck	Allen
Lange	McNeill	Koskie
Faris	MacAuley	Johnson

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NAYS

Steuart	Penner	Anderson
Lane	Cameron	Merchant
Malone	Clifford	McMillan
MacDonald		

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bill, the Hon. Mr. Romanow, a member of the Executive Council, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved:

That Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Income Tax Act—be now introduced and read the first time.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Blakeney	MacMurphy	Shillington
Pepper	Mostoway	Rolfes
Thibault	Larson	Matsalla
Romanow	Whelan	Skoberg
Messer	Kaeding	Vickar
Snyder	Kwasnica	Nelson (Yorkton)
Byers	Dyck	Allen
Baker	McNeill	Koskie
Lange	MacAuley	Johnson
Faris	Feschuk	Thompson
Kowalchuk		

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NAYS

Steuart	MacDonald	Anderson
Lane	Penner	Merchant
Wiebe	Cameron	McMillan
Malone	Clifford	

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

3:40 o'clock p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed several Bills, which, in the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour, and to which Bills I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the Bills that had been passed severally as follows:

No.

- 1 An Act to amend An Act to provide a Superannuation Allowance for a Certain Former Member of the Legislative Assembly.
- 2 An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 1).
- 44 An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act (No. 2).
- 9 An Act to amend The Forest Act.
- 11 An Act to amend The Land Surveys Act.
- 18 An Act to amend The Credit Union Act, 1972.
- 19 An Act to amend The Northern Co-operative Trading Services Act, 1959.
- 3 An Act respecting Private Investigators and Security Guards.
- 4 An Act to amend The Provincial Magistrates Act.
- 6 An Act to amend The Magistrates' Courts Act.
- 7 An Act to amend The Summary Offences Procedure Act, 1969.
- 8 An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.

- 10 An Act to amend The Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources Act, 1974.
- 12 An Act to amend The Rural Telephone Act.
- 13 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act.
- 14 An Act to amend The Department of Government Services Act, 1972.
- 15 An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act.
- 16 An Act to amend The Fire Prevention Act.
- 17 An Act to amend The Provincial Mediation Board Act.
- 21 An Act to amend The Veterinarians Act.
- 22 An Act to repeal The Agricultural Extension Act.
- 23 An Act to amend The Animal Protection Act, 1972.
- 24 An Act to amend The Agricultural Machinery Institute Act, 1974.
- 25 An Act to amend The Agricultural Products Market Development Fund Act, 1974.
- 29 An Act to amend The Vital Statistics Act.
- 31 An Act to amend The Highways Act.
- 34 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Act, 1973.
- 01 An Act to provide for exemption from taxation of Property of the Archbishopial Corporation of Regina.
- 02 An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate "An Act respecting Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, being an Act to amend and consolidate An Act to incorporate Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Limited".
- 03 An Act to incorporate Place Riel Society.
- 04 An Act to amend An Act to incorporate Le College Catholique de Gravelbourg.

The Royal Assent to these Bills was announced by the Clerk:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth Assent to these Bills."

Mr. Speaker then said:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service. In the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour the following Bill:—

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Year ending the Thirty-first day of March, 1977," to which Bill I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

The Royal Assent to this Bill was announced by the Clerk:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank the Legislative Assembly, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill."

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

3:45 o'clock p.m.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Before the Orders of the Day, yesterday, the Hon. Member for Nipawin raised a Point of Order to the effect that the Hon. Member for Regina Lakeview had used unparliamentary expressions. I have reviewed the verbatim transcript and note that the Hon. Member for Regina Lakeview, in his Oral Question, said "A supplementary, Mr. Speaker, . . . then in connection with the Conservative bribery affair".

I refer all Hon. Members to a Ruling of the Chair on Thursday, April 22, 1976 where I cautioned everyone against asking questions which contain inferences or imputations. (Votes and Proceedings, Thursday, April 22, 1976).

I want to stress to the Assembly the importance of this matter of implying that any Member of the Assembly has been involved in bribery without all of the facts being before the Assembly. Every Member's honour and reputation is at stake and it is for this reason, that the parliamentary Rules prohibit allegations, inferences or imputations. These expressions are used sometimes in a moment of heat during debate or unknowingly but if it does happen, the Member is asked to withdraw such remarks.

The use of the words "the Conservative bribery affair" assumes that there was bribery and wrong doing. I ask the Hon. Member for Regina Lakeview to withdraw the remarks which were said during yesterday's Oral Question period which contained allegations, inferences or imputations.

Mr. Malone thereupon withdrew the said remarks.

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Skoberg, from his place in the Assembly, requested leave under Rule 39 to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity having to do with the announced intention of C.P. Transport to place embargos on all intra-provincial truck traffic handled by the company on its local routes in Saskatchewan effective 6:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 28, 1976.

Leave of the Assembly having been requested, it was not granted.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 5), it was moved by Mr. Lange, seconded by Mr. Skoberg:

That this Assembly requests the federal government to nationalize the railway road beds and co-operate with the provinces in the creation of a national electrical grid system to convert present diesel electric rail operations to electric operation in the interest of resource conservation and pollution control.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Birkbeck, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 13), it was moved by Mr. Steuart, seconded by Mr. Malone:

That this Assembly urges the Hon. Attorney General to initiate an investigation:

(1) into the alleged bribery by two Conservative Members of this Assembly; and

(2) the apparent leak or theft of certain confidential documents prepared in connection with the 1976-77 budget from the Department of Finance.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Steuart	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)	Collver
Lane	Clifford	Larter
Wiebe	Anderson	Bailey
Malone	Merchant	Berntson
Cameron	McMillan	Katzman
		Birkbeck

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NAYS

Pepper	Kaeding	Skoberg
Thibault	Kwasnica	Vickar
Romanow	Dyck	Nelson (Yorkton)
Messer	McNeill	Allen
Byers	Feschuk	Koskie
Mostoway	Rolfes	Johnson
Larson	Tchorzewski	Thompson
Whelan	Matsalla	Banda

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The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 14), it was moved by Mr. Berntson, seconded by Mr. Bailey:

That this Assembly regrets the use of interrogative accusations, during question period as they relate to certain unsubstantiated allegations and insinuations that tend toward character assassination.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Collver	Bailey	Katzman
Larter	Berntson	Birkbeck

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NAYS

Pepper	Feschuk	Steuart
Thibault	Rolfes	Lane
Romanow	Tchorzewski	Wiebe
Messer	Matsalla	Malone
Byers	Skoberg	Cameron
Mostoway	Vickar	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)
Larson	Nelson (Yorkton)	Clifford
Whelan	Allen	Anderson
Kaeding	Koskie	Merchant
Kwasnica	Johnson	McMillan
Dyck	Thompson	
McNeill	Banda	

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The Assembly adjourned at 9:16 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, April 28, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Merchant, from the Special Committee on Regulations presented the First Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

Your Committee met for organization and appointed Mr. Merchant as its Chairman and Mr. T.C. Wakeling, Q.C., of the Law Firm of McDougall, Ready, Wakeling, Youck, Kuski and Millar as Counsel to the Committee.

Your Committee has examined Saskatchewan Regulations 319/74-325/74 and 1/75-296/75, a total of 303 Regulations, thus completing its scrutiny up to January 16, 1976. Of this total, your Committee considered 20 Regulations drawn specifically to its attention by Counsel, and it sent to the authorities who made the Regulations comments on 19 of these Regulations, inviting them to submit explanatory memoranda should they see fit. 17 replies have been received and considered by the Committee. Your Committee does not wish at this time to draw the special attention of the Assembly to any Regulation on the grounds set out in its terms of reference.

Your Committee has also had under consideration the Order of Reference dated November 28, 1975; namely the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and amendments thereto of various professional societies tabled as Sessional Paper No. 2 of 1974/75 and Sessional Paper No. 3 of 1975/76 up to November 28, 1975. Your Committee received representation from the Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association. Your Committee reviewed the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and amendments thereto of the following professional societies to ensure that each had proper legislative authority and recommends that they be ratified and confirmed:

- Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan
- Society of Industrial Accountants of Saskatchewan
- College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan Embalmers Association
- Law Society of Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association
- Saskatchewan Optometric Association
- Saskatchewan Psychological Association
- Saskatchewan Land Surveyors Association
- Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association
- Saskatchewan Society of Occupational Therapists
- Saskatchewan Association of Architects
- Law Society of Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation
- Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists

Association of Professional Engineers of Saskatchewan

Your Committee recommends that during the present Session of the Assembly, a Committee of Regulations should be appointed to continue the work of scrutiny and to consider outstanding memoranda submitted by authorities who have made Regulations.

Moved by Mr. Merchant, seconded by Mr. Larson:

That the First Report of the Special Committee on Regulations be now concurred in.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek, adjourned.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Messer, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3, this Assembly shall commencing Friday, April 30, 1976, and each Wednesday and Friday thereafter, meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m. and there shall be a recess from 12:30 o'clock p.m. until 2:30 o'clock p.m.

The following Resolution was dropped:

That notwithstanding Rule 3, this Assembly shall, commencing Tuesday, April 27, 1976, meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m. each sitting day and there shall be a recess from 12:30 o'clock p.m. until 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Act, 1976—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 61—An Act to amend The Potash Development Act, 1976—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Merchant, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Mineral Resources Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was moved by Mr. Merchant: "That this debate be now adjourned".

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Lane
Wiebe
Malone

Cameron
Nelson (Assiniboia-
Gravelbourg)
Clifford

Anderson
Merchant
McMillan

NAYS

Collver
Larter

Bailey
Berntson

Katzman
Birkbeck

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Moved by the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Condominium Property Act, 1968—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Lane, adjourned.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:28 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Thursday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, April 29, 1976

2:30 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Bowerman, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3, this Assembly shall, commencing Tuesday, May 4, 1976, meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m. each sitting day and there shall be a recess from 12:30 o'clock p.m. until 2:30 o'clock p.m.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

At 9:32 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Friday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Regina, Friday, April 30, 1976

10:00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS:

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bills, they were withdrawn:

A Bill to amend The Magistrates' Courts Act (No. 2)

A Bill to amend The Medical Profession Act

A Bill to amend The Planning and Development Act, 1973.

The following Bill was received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 75—An Act to amend The Tabling of Documents (Postponement) Act, 1975.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Katzman adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Cameron: That an humble Address (No. 1) be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor praying that His Honour will cause to be laid before this Assembly:

Copies of all correspondence between members of the Executive Council of the Government of Saskatchewan and officials, elected and non-elected of the Government of Canada during the period January 1st, 1973 and January 1st, 1976, about the possibility of establishing in Saskatchewan a Crown owned and operated potash marketing board or agency.

The question being put, it was negatived.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 12) moved by Mr. Cameron:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Saskatchewan to borrow money for the acquisition of potash mines solely on the security of the mines purchased or expropriated so that in the event financial difficulties are encountered the general revenues of the Province and hence the medical care and hospital plans, education, highways, agricultural and other programs are not exposed to the financial risks incurred in acquiring potash mines.

The question being put, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Steuart
Stodalka
Wiebe
Malone

MacDonald
Penner
Cameron

Clifford
Anderson
Merchant

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NAYS

Blakeney
Pepper
Thibault
Bowerman
Smishek
Romanow
Messer
Snyder
Byers
Kramer
Lange

Faris
Kowalchuk
Robbins
MacMurchy
Mostoway
Larson
Whelan
Kaeding
Dyck
McNeill
Feschuk

Rolfes
Cowley
Tchorzewski
Skoberg
Vickar
Nelson (Yorkton)
Allen
Koskie
Johnson
Banda

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Katzman: That Bill No. 42—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973 (No. 2)—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was negatived.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Liquor Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Birkbeck, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Birkbeck: That Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Natural Products Marketing Act, 1972,—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, and the question being put, it was negatived.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 5) moved by Mr. Lange:

That this Assembly requests the federal government to nationalize the railway road beds and co-operate with the provinces in the creation of a national electrical grid system to convert present diesel electric rail operations to electric operation in the interest of resource conservation and pollution control.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That Bill No. 56—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Bill of Rights Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Mostoway: That Bill No. 55—An Act respecting The Institute of Accredited Public Accountants of Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

I have perused Bill No. 53—An Act to amend The Mental Health Act (No. 2)—which is standing on the Order Paper in the name of the Hon. Member for Regina Wascana and I wish to make the following Ruling.

I refer all Hon. Members to Rule 30 of the *Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, 1970* which is as follows:

“Any vote, resolution, address or bill introduced in the Assembly for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, or of any tax or impost to any purpose whatsoever, or to impose any new or additional charge upon the public revenue or upon the people, or to release or compound any sum of money due to the Crown, or to grant any property of the Crown, or to authorize any loan or any charge upon the credit of the Province, shall be recommended to the Assembly by Message of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor before it is considered by the Assembly.

The consideration and debate thereof may not be presently entered upon but shall be adjourned until such further day as the Assembly shall think fit to appoint.”

The question that faces me is whether this Bill does involve the expenditure of money.

I refer all Hon. Members to Section 5 and 11 of the Bill. These sections establish a new appeal procedure which did not exist heretofore. These sections provide an option for appeal and while the appeal is not mandatory, the Attorney General's Department could still become involved in an appeal proceeding.

I refer all Hon. Members to a Ruling of the Chair on March 24, 1966 (*Journals of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, pp. 192-194) which states that “A contingent liability is not an absolute liability existing in the present, but one which may become an absolute liability upon the happening of a future event.” The Ruling at that time was dealing with a Bill which involved appeal procedures. The Ruling further states that “where an appeal lies, a defence is implied. The Bill therefore creates a contingent liability to the Province for any costs in connection with the defence.”

The Bill before us thus creates appeal procedures, which would involve a defence by the Attorney General's Department and therefore a liability upon the Province.

An increase in the jurisdiction of the courts is not regarded as creating a charge upon the public purse. (*Sir Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice*, Seventeenth Edition, p. 792). It must be remembered though that the Bill before us is not only extending the jurisdiction of the courts, which is in order, but it also creates a contingent liability upon the Province by imposing new costs re defence of appeals.

I want to quote further from the Ruling of the Chair of March 24, 1966 as follows:

“It is my firm belief that those charged and entrusted by the people with the work of raising the provincial revenues must be the sole arbiters of the institution of new or additional expenditures and that the privilege of initiating legislation which will be a new or increased charge upon the people must therefore be the absolute prerogative of the Government.

I believe this principle to be fundamental to the preservation of self government. It does not limit the right of Members to place their views before the House and the public and to test the opinion of the Legislature, for though they may not introduce a bill involving money which would, if passed, be an act of the Legislature binding on the Government they are not prevented from moving a properly worded Resolution or Recommendation in general terms seeking the consideration of the House and of the people. Resolutions of this nature are permissible because, if adopted, they have no operative effect and no grant is made or burden imposed upon the people.” I rule that Bill No. 53 will, if passed, involve an additional expenditure from the public purse and is therefore out of order.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Mental Health Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 57—An Act to amend The Union Hospital Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Fuel Petroleum Products Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Smishek: That Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Income Tax Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

According to Order, the following Bill was read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting:

Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act
(No. 2).

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Return (No. 24) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 21, 1975 on the motion of Mr. Bailey, showing:

- (1) The number of new employees that will be employed to fill the needs of the new agencies announced in the Speech from the Throne.
 - (2) (a) The agencies; (b) the number of new employees that will be required in each agency; (c) the salary cost of each agency.
- (Sessional Paper No. 76)*

Return (No. 51) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated January 20, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Lane, showing:

- (1) The names of all Government Departments, Branches, Agencies or Boards which supplied mailing lists to any individuals, political parties, partnerships or corporations in the year 1975.
- (2) In cases where the Department, Branch, Agency or Board maintains records of such information, the names of those to whom such mailing lists were supplied.

(Sessional Paper No. 77)

Returns and Papers Ordered

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 60) showing:

- (1) The number of applications that have been made to the Liquor Licensing Commission for a liquor license of any sort since 1970.
- (2) The number of applications that have been made with the assistance of lawyers appearing or on record.
- (3) The names of the law firms of record on behalf of the applicants where known.
- (4) The result of the various applications where lawyers were on record by specific case.
- (5) The date of the final disposition of the respective applications.

The debate continuing, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Byers, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Messer, in amendment thereto:

That the numerals "1970" be deleted and "April 1, 1964" substituted therefor:

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

At 5:32 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2), until Monday at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, May 3, 1976*2:30 o'clock p.m.***PRAYERS:**

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski: That Bill No. 66—An Act to amend The Teachers' Superannuation Act, 1970—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski: That Bill No. 68—An Act to amend The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 69—An Act respecting The Transportation Agency of Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Bowerman: That Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 75—An Act to amend The Tabling of Documents (Postponement) Act, 1975—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Dairy Products Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Whelan: That Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Conservation of Coal Resources in Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Shillington: That Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Condominium Property Act, 1968—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time, and, by leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, referred to a Committee of the Whole later this day.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Arts Board for the year ending December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 78)

By the Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council:

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 24:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation.

At 10:01 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Regina, Tuesday, May 4, 1976

10:00 o'clock a.m

PRAYERS:

The following Bills were received, read the first time and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Ombudsman Act, 1972.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Department of Finance Act.
(Hon. Mr. Smishek)

The following Motion for Return (*Not Debatable*) on the Orders of the Day was transferred to the Motions for Returns (*Debatable*) classification:

By Mr. Merchant, for a Return (No. 66) showing:

(1) The amount in dollar figures and by percentages of printing contracts given out under the: (a) allocation system and (b) bid system for the fiscal years (i) 1968-1969 and 1969-1970, (ii) 1973-1974 and 1974-1975, by the Government of Saskatchewan.

(2) The dollar volume and the percentage of total work granted under the bid system to each printer receiving work valued at more than \$500 in the fiscal years: (a) 1973-1974 and (b) 1974-1975.

(3) (a) The dollar volume and the percentage of work valued at over \$500 given to each printer under the allocation system in the fiscal years (i) 1973-1974 and (ii) 1974-1975; (b) In each case, whether the contract was under the bid system or allocation system.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Koskie:

That the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be now concurred in.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Merchant:

That the First Report of the Special Committee on Regulations be now concurred in.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper
Faris
Robbins
MacMurchy
Mostoway
Kwasnica
MacAuley
Shillington
Rolfes
Vickar

Steuart
Stodalka
Lane
Wiebe
Malone
MacDonald
Penner
Cameron
Nelson (Assiniboia-
Gravelbourg)

Clifford
Anderson
McMillan
Collver
Larter
Bailey
Berntson
Ham
Katzman
Birkbeck

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NAYS

Thibault
Bowerman
Smishek
Romanow
Messer
Snyder
Byers
Kramer

Kowalchuk
Larson
Whelan
Kaeding
McNeill
Feschuk
Cowley
Tchorzewski

Matsalla
Nelson (Yorkton)
Allen
Koskie
Johnson
Thompson
Banda
Merchant

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Pepper: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Liquor Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act.

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act (No. 1).

Bill No. 54—An Act to amend The Gift Tax Act, 1972.

Bill No. 74—An Act to amend The Fuel Petroleum Products Act.

The following Bills were reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 72—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act, (No. 2)

Bill No. 73—An Act to amend The Income Tax Act.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. Kaeding, a member of the Executive Council:

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 2:

Orders and Regulations made under The Provincial Lands Act, Chapter 48, R.S.S. 1965, Section 22.

At 10:12 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Wednesday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Regina, Wednesday, May 5, 1976

10:00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS:

The Minister, in each case, having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bills, recommends them to the consideration of the Assembly, the following Bills were received, read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:

Bill No. 78—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.
(Hon. Mr. Cowley)

Bill No. 79—An Act to amend The Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act.
(Hon. Mr. Cowley)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Act, 1976—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 61—An Act to amend The Potash Development Act, 1976—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow That Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Mineral Resources Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Collver, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 58—An Act respecting Emergency Medical Aid—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 64—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the

said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

At 5:47 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(2), until Thursday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Regina, Thursday, May 6, 1976

10:00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Mineral Resources Act—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper
Thibault
Bowerman
Messer
Snyder
Kramer
Lange
Kowalchuk
Robbins
MacMurchy

Mostoway
Larson
Whelan
Kwasnica
McNeill
MacAuley
Feschuk
Rolfes
Cowley
Tchorzewski

Matsalla
Skoberg
Vickar
Nelson (Yorkton)
Allen
Koskie
Johnson
Thompson
Banda

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NAYS

Steuart
Malone
Cameron
Nelson (Assiniboia-
Gravelbourg)

Clifford
Anderson
Merchant
Collver

Bailey
Ham
Katzman

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 66—An Act to amend The Teachers' Superannuation Act, 1970.

Bill No. 68—An Act to amend The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act.

Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Conservation of Coal Resources in Saskatchewan.

- Bill No. 27—An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act, 1971.
- Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Prescription Drugs Act, 1974.
- Bill No. 51—An Act to amend The Mental Health Act.
- Bill No. 58—An Act respecting Emergency Medical Aid.
- Bill No. 64—An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act.
- Bill No. 33—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973.
- Bill No. 47—An Act to amend The Local Government Board Act.
- Bill No. 35—An Act to repeal The Urban Advisory Commission Act, 1972.
- Bill No. 52—An Act respecting the Department of Municipal Affairs.
- Bill No. 69—An Act respecting The Transportation Agency of Saskatchewan.
- Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Dairy Products Act.

The following Bills were reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

- Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Change of Name Act.
- Bill No. 57—An Act to amend The Union Hospital Act.
- Bill No. 45—An Act to amend The Agricultural Implements Act, 1968.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cowley, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 78—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper	McNeill	Johnson
Thibault	Feschuk	Banda
Bowerman	Rolfes	Steuart
Messer	Cowley	Stodalka
Snyder	Tchorzewski	Lane
MacMurchy	Matsalla	Wiebe
Mostoway	Skoberg	Malone
Larson	Vickar	MacDonald
Whelan	Nelson (Yorkton)	Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg)
Kaeding	Allen	Clifford
Kwasnica	Koskie	Anderson

NAYS

Collver
Larter
Bailey

Berntson
Ham

Katzman
Birkbeck

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cowley: That Bill No. 79—An Act to amend The Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved:

That Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Ombudsman Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Cowley, a member of the Executive Council having acquainted the Assembly that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends it to the consideration of the Assembly, moved, by leave of the Assembly:

That Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Department of Finance Act—be now read a second time.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

Progress was reported, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

At 9:12 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Friday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Regina, Friday, May 7, 1976

10:00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker, as Chairman of the Select Special Committee on Rules and Procedures, presented the Second Interim Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has considered its Terms of Reference with regard to renovations in the Legislative Chamber. This section of the Terms of Reference was necessary because of the possibility of televising the debates in the Chamber and the overall need for renovations and a new sound system.

Your Committee wishes to stress that no decision has been made yet regarding the televising of the debates. This matter will be dealt with in the Final Report.

Your Committee met with an architect of the Department of Government Services and his staff for proposals on the renovations and the approximate cost of these renovations. Your Committee notes that a new sound system and basic renovations are necessary as soon as possible and stresses that these renovations are necessary regardless of whether the debates will be televised or not.

Recommendations:

Your Committee recommends to the Legislative Assembly and to the consideration of the Government that funds be budgeted in the 1977-78 fiscal year in order that the Department of Government Services may proceed when authorized by the Special Committee to prepare blueprints and tenders so that the renovations may begin immediately after prorogation of the Assembly in the Spring of 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 82)

On motion of Mr. Larson, seconded by Mr. Malone:

Ordered, That the Second Interim Report of the Select Special Committee on Rules and Procedures be now concurred in.

Mr. Lane, from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing, presented the Second Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

1. Your Committee held 15 meetings and examined both the Provincial Auditor's Report and the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 1975 with the Provincial Auditor (Mr. Lutz), three of his officers (Mr. Jacoby, Mr. Bucknall and Mr. Meldrum), the Comptroller (Mr. Schneider), and four of his officers (Mr. Wendel, Mr. Fogg, Mr. Jensen and Mr. Reinhardt) and other officials of the Department of Finance in attendance.

2. During the course of its deliberations, your Committee met with officials of the following departments:

Department of Finance (Budget Bureau)

Department of Health

Department of Industry and Commerce

Department of Northern Saskatchewan

Department of Government Services

3. Your Committee notes the staffing problems of the Provincial Auditor. The lack of adequate staff has made it difficult for the Provincial Auditor to review all Government Departments and Boards and Agencies. The staff of the Provincial Auditor has not been at full complement since 1973. It is obvious that without adequate staff the Provincial Auditor is not able to function effectively and this reflects in the activities and the Committee's ability to review Government spending. Your Committee therefore recommends that every effort be made to maintain the staff of the Provincial Auditor at full complement.
4. Your Committee notes that for the past three years the Public Accounts Committee Report recommended that a uniform system of records and procedures to control public property be developed and that Treasury Board regulations be issued requiring proper records and procedures to be maintained for the control of public property. Your Committee notes that some progress has been made providing capital asset systems and accounting systems, however, proper procedures to control public property have not been meaningfully developed. Your Committee noted that there is some lack of communication between departments, agencies, crown corporations and commissions for the control of public property and recommends a study of a central asset control system for all government departments, agencies, commissions and crown corporations.
5. Your Committee recommends that a compendium of all audit reports and management reports by the Provincial Auditor and the Comptroller of the Department of Finance for the year under review be supplied to the Committee at its first meeting.
6. Your Committee examined the audit control procedures of the Department of Social Services and while the Committee did not meet with this department, your Committee noted in particular the suggested lack of adequate internal audit of the Saskatchewan Assistance Plan and Family Income Plan payments. Your Committee recommends the immediate establishment of an Internal Audit Review Committee for the Department of Social Services and the Assistance Branch of the Department of Northern Saskatchewan.
7. Your Committee again reviewed the procedures of the Department of Northern Saskatchewan. Your Committee noted that in its report of last year it recommended that the Department of Northern Saskatchewan staff should adhere strictly to the provisions of the Saskatchewan Assistance Act and Regulations.

Your Committee examined procedures followed at the Green Lake Regional Office and the Buffalo Narrows Regional Office and noted substantial overpayments and a failure to collect overpayments. Your Committee noted with concern the number of overpayments that were waived and in effect written off without the approval of the Board of Revenue Commissioners. The Committee noted further the lack of a central record keeping system for the suppression of cheques under the Saskatchewan Assistance Plan and recommends the establishment of such a system for the Department of Northern Saskatchewan.

Your Committee noted that there was no central record keeping system for overpayments made to Saskatchewan Assistance Plan recipients in the Department of Northern Saskatchewan and recommends the establishment of a central record keeping system.

Your Committee again noted with concern the use of Saskatchewan Assistance Plan cheques which are issued over the signature of one worker only and your Committee had been advised that this practice is being reviewed by the Department of Social Services, Department of Northern Saskatchewan, and the Comptroller of the Department of Finance.

The Committee noted the practice of presigning in blank Regional Service Account cheques for emergency Saskatchewan Assistance Plan payments in the Department of Northern Saskatchewan and the Committee recommends the termination of such practice.

8. The Committee reviewed the practices of the Green Lake Region of the Department of Northern Saskatchewan regarding home repair payments which exceeded the authority without the approval of the Minister. Your Committee recommends that the limit of these regulations be reviewed and that the Regulations be strictly adhered to.

The Committee reviewed the practices of the Green Lake Region of the Department of Northern Saskatchewan regarding child welfare payments which exceeded the authority without the approval of the Regional Director.

Your Committee appreciates the problems encountered by the Department of Northern Saskatchewan but your Committee recommends in the strongest terms that the Department of Northern Saskatchewan adhere strictly to the provisions of the Saskatchewan Assistance Act and regulations, and the Child Welfare Act and regulations.

9. Your Committee reviewed the procedures of the Department of Government Services. Your Committee noted with concern the many weaknesses in audit procedures and financial administrative systems as tabled by the Provincial Auditor and the Comptroller of the Department of Finance.

Your Committee noted that the new Deputy Minister of the Department of Government Services appreciated the matters brought to the Department's attention by the Provincial Auditor and the Comptroller of the Department of Finance and your Committee appreciates the willingness of the Department to act upon all recommendations made by the Prov-

incial Auditor and the Comptroller of the Department of Finance. Your Committee noted the duplication of management advisory services between the Department of Finance and the Systems Centre of the Department of Government Services and recommends that the Department of Finance review such advisory services to eliminate duplication.

10. Your Committee examined the system of government payments for goods and services supplied and recommends that the system be extended where feasible to the Department of Highways and Government Services. The Committee noted the seeming redundancy of staff upon implementation of the new system and recommends further review of general staffing requirements.
11. Your Committee examined the procedures of the Department of Public Health and noted the difficulty of the Department in supplying the Committee with all costs relating to the Saskatchewan Dental Program and the Committee recommends that in future, where possible, such information be maintained.
12. Your Committee examined the procedures of the Department of Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Branch and noted the provision in some cases of economic development loans for 100 per cent bad debt writeoff.
13. Your Committee noted the existence of a Central Registry of all Federal-Provincial cost-sharing arrangements, agreements, projects, and the system set up to monitor the agreements and claims. The Committee noted that the Comptroller of the Department of Finance expressed concern that the Central Registry may not have every agreement that may exist in various Government Departments. Your Committee therefore recommends that the Comptroller of the Department of Finance make further efforts to obtain all Federal-Provincial cost-sharing agreements and that the appropriate instructions go to all Government Departments, Boards, Agencies and Commissions to ensure that the agreements are maintained in the Central Registry.
14. Your Committee examined the recommendations of the Comptroller of the Department of Finance with regard to the operations of the Saskatchewan Assistance Plan to lessen the likelihood of fraud and that the recommendations were as follows:
 - (1) That the Saskatchewan Assistance Plan segregate the duties of placing a client on payroll and maintaining a regular caseload contact and that a face to face reassessment of each client be made at least annually. Your Committee recommends a periodic random rotation of the caseload so that one social worker may check on the work of another.
 - (2) That a verification unit for internal audit review within the Department of Social Services be established.
 - (3) That all regional services bank accounts be required to have two signatures wherever possible.

Where administration savings would be established by savings on

a one-man office and if absolutely impossible for two signatures then an imprest bank account be established in minimum operating levels.

15. Your Committee also examined the procedures of the Department of Industry and Commerce and the Agent General and found the recommendations of the Provincial Auditor being adhered to or in the process of implementation.
16. Your Committee extends its appreciation to the Provincial Auditor and his officers, the Comptroller of the Department of Finance and his officers, to other officials of the Department of Finance and to all Deputy Ministers and their supporting officials for their frankness and cooperation in answering questions asked by Members of the Committee and to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and his staff for their support services to the Committee.
17. Your Committee advises that copies of the Minutes and Verbatim Report of Proceedings of the Public Accounts Committee will be Tabled as a Sessional Paper.

Moved by Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Skoberg:

That the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing be now concurred in.

A debate arising, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Robbins, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That Messrs. Merchant, Allen, Birkbeck, Cameron, Larson, Pepper, Romanow and Vickar be constituted a Special Committee to consider every Regulation filed with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly pursuant to the provisions of The Regulations Act, with a view to determining whether the special attention of the Assembly should be drawn to any of the said Regulations on any of the following grounds:

- (a) That it imposes a charge on the public revenues or prescribes a payment to be made to any public authority not specifically provided for by statute;
- (b) That it is excluded from challenge in the courts;
- (c) That it makes unusual or unexpected use of powers conferred by statute;
- (d) That it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent statute confers no express authority so to provide;
- (e) That it has been insufficiently promulgated;
- (f) That it is not clear in meaning;

and if they so determine, to report to that effect;

That the Committee have the assistance of legal counsel in reviewing the said Regulations; that it be given the power to sit after prorogation of the

Assembly; and that it be required prior to reporting that the special attention of the Assembly be drawn to any Regulation, to inform the Government department or authority concerned of its intention so to report; and

That the Committee be empowered to invite any regulation-making authority to submit a memorandum explaining any Regulation which may be under consideration by the Committee or to invite any regulation-making authority to appear before the Committee as a witness for the purpose of explaining any such Regulation.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Robbins, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Bylaws of the professional societies and amendments thereto tabled as Addenda to Sessional Paper No. 3, 1975/76 tabled on and after November 23, 1975, until prorogation and Sessional Paper No. 24, 1976, be referred to the Special Committee on Regulations.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Mostoway: That Bill No. 55—An Act respecting The Institute of Accredited Public Accountants of Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read a second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Liquor Act.

The following Bill was reported with amendment:

Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act.

Moved by Mr. Pepper: That the amendments to Bill No. 37 be now read the first and second time.

The question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper	Shillington	Malone
Thibault	Rolfes	MacDonald
Bowerman	Cowley	Penner
Snyder	Tchorzewski	Cameron
Byers	Matsalla	Nelson (Assiniboia- Gravelbourg)
Lange	Skoberg	Clifford
Faris	Vickar	Anderson
Kowalchuk	Nelson (Yorkton)	Thatcher
Robbins	Allen	Collver
MacMurchy	Koskie	Larter
Mostoway	Johnson	Bailey
Larson	Thompson	Berntson
Whelan	Banda	Ham
Kaeding	Steuart	Katzman
Kwasnica	Stodalka	Birkbeck
McNeill	Lane	
MacAuley	Wiebe	

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NAYS

Nil

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The amendments were, accordingly, read the first and second time.

Moved by Mr. Pepper, by leave of the Assembly: That Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act—be now read the third time and passed under its title.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Snyder:

Ordered, That on Friday, May 7, 1976, Rule 3(3) be suspended so that the sitting of the Assembly may be continued from 7:00 o'clock p.m. until 9:30 o'clock p.m.; and

That notwithstanding Rule 3(4), on Saturday, May 8, 1976, the Assembly shall meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m. until 5:30 o'clock p.m. and there shall be a recess from 12:30 o'clock p.m. until 2:30 o'clock p.m.; and that the Order of Business shall be the same as on Thursday.

The Assembly, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bills:

The following Bills were reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 78—An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.

Bill No. 79—An Act to amend The Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act.

Bill No. 76—An Act to amend The Ombudsman Act, 1972.

Bill No. 77—An Act to amend The Department of Finance Act.

Bill No. 60—An Act to amend The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Act, 1976.

Bill No. 61—An Act to amend The Potash Development Act, 1976.

Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Motor Dealers Act, 1966.

Bill No. 75—An Act to amend The Tabling of Documents (Postponement) Act, 1975.

Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Condominium Property Act, 1968.

Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act.

Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973.

Bill No. 71—An Act to amend The Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Act, 1974.

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Mineral Resources Act.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Finance.

(In the Committee)

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 1975-76

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31st, 1976, the following sums:

BUDGETARY CASH OUTFLOWS

1. For Attorney General	\$ 1,510,540
2. For Consumer Affairs	293,940
3. For Continuing Education	1,146,790
4. For Co-operation and Co-operative Development.....	112,490
5. For Culture and Youth	395,910
6. For Finance	1,681,160
Including:	

(a) "Provincial Disaster Financial Assistance Agency— To provide for and authorize the expenses of the office of the Provincial Disaster Financial Assist- ance Agency and the payment of disaster assistance, upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$300,000"	
(b) "To provide for and authorize a grant to an agency designated by the Minister of Finance to provide aid to victims of the Guatemala earthquakes— \$25,000"	
7. For Government Services—Ordinary Expenditure	4,437,950
Including:	
"To provide for and authorize grants to communities for the purpose of organizing themselves to occupy the role of community cable operators, upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$5,400"	
8. For Health	23,862,200
9. For The Highway Traffic Board	129,400
10. For Highways and Transportation—Ordinary Expenditure	4,885,430
11. For Highways and Transportation—Capital Expenditure	900,000
12. For Industry and Commerce	967,000
13. For Labour	675,390
14. For Legislation	75,180
Including:	
"To provide for and authorize a grant to a group of members who are not within the normal meaning of Opposition Caucus, Government Caucus or inde- pendent member calculated at the number of members in the group x the sum of 1/15 x \$9,000 (for secretarial services) and \$600 (for sessional research and general expenses), to be effective June 11, 1975 and hence limited in the 1975-76 fiscal year to 9½ months x the sum of 7/15 x \$9,000 and 7 x \$600 The formula is to be prorated evenly on a monthly basis—\$3,980"	
15. For The Local Government Board	13,500
16. For Mineral Resources	912,670
17. For Municipal Affairs	6,119,080
(a) "To provide for and authorize forgiveness of loans made under the Federal-Provincial Winter Capital Projects Program upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$1,616,980"	
(b) "1974 Flood Damage Assistance—To provide for and authorize the payment of financial assistance in re- spect of the 1974 flood emergencies upon such terms and conditions as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$1,002,100"	
(c) "1975 Flood Damage Assistance—To provide for and authorize the payment of financial assistance in re-	

spect of the 1975 flood emergencies upon such terms and conditions as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$1,500,000”

- (d) “1975 Disaster Assistance Program—To provide for and authorize the payment of financial assistance in respect of the 1975 disaster emergencies upon such terms and conditions as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$2,000,000”

18. For Municipal Road Assistance Authority	856,380
19. For Department of Northern Saskatchewan— Capital Expenditure	2,405,000
20. For Provincial Auditor	130,000
21. For Provincial Library	42,000
22. For Provincial Secretary	105,950
23. For Public Service Commission	493,950
24. For Social Services	3,690,630
25. For Tourism and Renewable Resources— Ordinary Expenditure	1,351,500

Including:

- (a) “To provide for and authorize grants to Last Oak Park Development Corporation Ltd., pursuant to agreements between the Government of Saskatchewan and the Government of Canada and between the Government of Saskatchewan and the Corporation—\$386,000”
- (b) “To provide for and authorize a payment to the Wildlife Development Fund for costs recovered from the Government of Canada pursuant to an agreement in respect of land acquired by the Wildlife Development Fund for wildlife purposes—\$187,000”

LOANS, ADVANCES AND INVESTMENTS

26. For Finance	\$ 40,000
“To provide for and authorize advances for the purpose of making deposits with agencies of the federal and provincial governments upon such terms and conditions as may be authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council”	
27. For Government Services	2,000,000
“To provide for and authorize an increase in the maximum amount which may be advanced by the Minister of Finance to the Central Vehicle Agency Advance Account pursuant to subsection (3) of section 6M of The Department of Government Services Act, 1972”	
28. For Municipal Affairs	193,000
“To provide for loans to Industrial Towns under authority of The Industrial Towns Act upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council”	
29. For Department of Northern Saskatchewan	3,000,000
“To provide for and authorize an increase in the maximum amount which may be advanced by the Minister of Finance to the Northern Housing Advance Account	

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pursuant to section 20 of The Northern Saskatchewan
Economic Development Act, 1974"

30. For Provincial Secretary 13,000

MAIN ESTIMATES 1976-77

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31st, 1977, the following sums:

BUDGETARY CASH OUTFLOWS

1. For Agriculture—Ordinary Expenditure	\$ 42,811,910
Including:	
“To authorize and provide for a payment to the Saskatchewan Water Supply Board for the fixed and operating costs allocated to the Department of Agriculture—\$283,560”	
2. For Agriculture—Capital Expenditure	7,176,300
3. For Attorney General	27,290,870
4. For Consumer Affairs	832,800
Including:	
“To provide for and authorize a grant to the Saskatchewan Branch of the Consumers’ Association of Canada—\$3,000”	
5. For Continuing Education	117,061,720
6. For Co-operation and Co-operative Development	1,631,770
7. For Culture and Youth	5,757,170
8. For Education	200,743,620
9. For Environment	4,288,440
10. For Executive Council	2,195,530
Including:	
“Information Services To provide for payment of remuneration and expenses of professional, technical and other staff, upon such terms and conditions and under such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$268,910”	
11. For Finance	19,222,550
Including:	
(a) “To provide for and authorize matching grants for international aid upon such terms and conditions as may be authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$1,250,000”	
(b) “To provide for and authorize a payment to the Saskatchewan Water Supply Board to retire the deficit of the Saskatchewan Water Supply Board as at December 31, 1975—\$330,000”	
(c) “To provide for and authorize a payment to the	

Workers' Compensation Accident Fund to assist in capitalizing the cost of increases granted in pension benefits in effect at January 1, 1976—\$1,000,000”

12. For Government Services—Ordinary Expenditure	23,228,310
Including:	
“To provide for and authorize a grant to the Cafeteria Board—\$12,000”	
13. For Government Services—Capital Expenditure	22,800,000
14. For Health	337,920,470
15. For The Highway Traffic Board	1,869,860
Including:	
“To authorize and provide for grants to the Saskatchewan Safety Council, the Canada Safety Council and the Traffic Injury Research Foundation in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$34,900”	
16. For Highways and Transportation—Ordinary Expenditure	45,955,470
17. For Highways and Transportation—Capital Expenditure	83,765,000
18. For Human Resources Development Agency	1,648,350
Including:	
“Grants to organizations upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$1,124,320”	
19. For Industry and Commerce	6,136,480
20. For Labour	5,060,670
21. For Legislation	1,161,010
Including:	
(a) “To provide for and authorize grants to the Opposition Caucus, the Government Caucus, independent members and a group of members who are not within the normal meaning of Opposition Caucus, Government Caucus or independent member as set forth below:	
In the case of the Opposition Caucus and the Government Caucus the grant is to be \$9,000 to each caucus for secretarial services, plus \$600 x the number of members (excluding members of the Executive Council, Leader of the Opposition and the Speaker) in each respective caucus for sessional research and general expenses	
In the case of an independent member the grant is to be 1/15 x \$9,000 for secretarial services, plus \$1,610 for sessional research, general expenses and general research	
In the case of a group of members who are not within the normal meaning of Opposition Caucus, Government Caucus or independent member the grant is to be 1/15 x \$9,000 x the number of members for secretarial services plus \$600 x the number of members for sessional research and general expenses	

The formula is to be prorated evenly over a twelve month period—\$48,000”

- (b) “To provide for and authorize payments for mailings by each member to his or her constituents calculated at 15¢ per registered voter per annum based on the latest general election voters’ list as defined by The Election Act, 1971—15¢ x 565,553—\$84,840”
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| 22. For The Local Government Board | 159,000 |
| 23. For Mineral Resources | 6,545,450 |
| 24. For Municipal Affairs | 80,240,500 |
- Including:
- (a) “To provide for Grants in Assistance of Local Improvement Districts, upon such terms and conditions and under such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$626,790”
- (b) “To provide for and authorize per capita grants to urban municipalities in accordance with regulations of the Lieutenant Governor in Council:
 Grants to urban municipalities for re-assessment work—\$150,000
 Unconditional operating grants to urban municipalities—\$12,300,000”
- (c) “Provincial Local Initiatives Program
 To provide for and authorize grants for the purpose of fostering winter employment, to cities, towns, villages, rural municipalities, local improvement districts, school units, school districts, hospitals, Indian Reserves and community organizations, under such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$3,600,000”
- (d) “Agricultural Service Centres Program
 To provide for and authorize payments to certain cities and towns designated as Agricultural Service Centres pursuant to the Canada - Saskatchewan Agricultural Service Centres Agreement the effect of which is to transfer to Canada the initial burden of financing projects now underway or completed, upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$2,230,460”
- (e) “To provide for and authorize grants to urban municipalities upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council:
 Equalization grants to urban municipalities—\$2,285,000
 Grants to urban municipalities for police services—\$4,450,000”
- (f) “To provide for and authorize expenses related to transportation research—\$68,180”

(g) "To provide for and authorize the expenses of the office inquiring into the rationalization of grain handling and transportation facilities—\$64,800"	
25. For Municipal Road Assistance Authority	20,362,520
26. For Department of Northern Saskatchewan— Ordinary Expenditure	36,774,300
27. For Department of Northern Saskatchewan— Capital Expenditure	15,786,000
28. For Office of the Rentalsman	577,270
29. For Provincial Auditor	1,015,120
30. For Provincial Library	4,148,960
31. For Provincial Secretary	468,000
32. For Public and Private Rights Board	37,750
33. For Public Service Commission	2,157,010
34. For Public Service Superannuation Board	10,000
35. For The Saskatchewan Research Council	2,281,400
36. For Social Services	150,591,990
Including:	
(a) "Grants and Allowances to Day Care Centres in accordance with regulations established by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$1,800,000"	
(b) "Grant to Senior Citizens' Provincial Council upon such terms and conditions as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council—\$130,000"	
37. For Surface Rights Arbitration Board	73,680
38. For Department of Telephones	1,816,700
39. For Tourism and Renewable Resources— Ordinary Expenditure	18,986,240
Including:	
(a) "To authorize and provide for a payment to the Saskatchewan Water Supply Board for the fixed and operating costs allocated to the Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources—\$248,870"	
(b) "To provide for and authorize grants to Last Oak Park Development Corporation Ltd., pursuant to agreements between the Government of Saskatchewan and the Government of Canada and between the Government of Saskatchewan and the Corporation—\$1,032,000"	
40. For Tourism and Renewable Resources— Capital Expenditure	2,445,270
41. For Transportation Agency of Saskatchewan	734,670
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42. For Co-operation and Co-operative Development	\$ 150,000
43. For Finance	60,000
"To provide for loans and advances authorized by any	

- Act, upon such terms and conditions as may be authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council”
44. For Government Services 10
 “To authorize the Minister of Finance to advance to the Minister of Government Services for use as a revolving fund and to authorize payments therefrom for equipment purchases or rentals, salaries, supplies and other expenses associated with the provision of a central systems service to departments and agencies of the Government, sums not exceeding the amount of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars”
45. For Municipal Affairs 1,000,000
 “Industrial Towns Program
 To provide for and authorize loans to designated industrial towns for the purpose of constructing capital and local improvement works in such amounts, and upon such terms and conditions and under such orders and regulations as may be made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council; and further to authorize the said towns, subject to the approval of The Local Government Board, to contract such loans by resolution or bylaw; it is further expressly provided that such loans shall not be deemed part of the debt for the purpose of calculating the debt limits referred to in section 250 of The Urban Municipality Act, 1970”
46. For The Saskatchewan Research Council 200,000
 “To provide for and authorize a loan to The Saskatchewan Research Council upon such terms and conditions as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may prescribe”

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1976, the sum of sixty-two million, four hundred and forty thousand, and forty dollars be granted out of the consolidated fund.

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1977, the sum of nine hundred and seventy-eight million, eight hundred and eighty-five thousand and eighty dollars be granted out of the consolidated fund.

The said Resolutions were reported, and, by leave of the Assembly, read twice and agreed to, and the Committee given leave to sit again.

Moved by the Hon Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly, that Bill No. 80—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of March, 1976 and the Thirty-first day of March, 1977—be now introduced and read the first time.

Question being put, it was agreed to and the said Bill was, accordingly, read the first time.

By leave of the Assembly, and under Rule 48, the Hon. Mr. Smishek

moved that Bill No. 80—An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service for the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of March, 1976 and the Thirty-first day of March, 1977—be now read a second and third time and passed under its title.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Pepper	Larson	Matsalla
Thibault	Whelan	Vickar
Bowerman	Kaeding	Nelson (Yorkton)
Smishek	Kwasnica	Allen
Romanow	McNeill	Koskie
Messer	MacAuley	Johnson
Byers	Feschuk	Thompson
Kowalchuk	Rolfes	Banda
Mostoway	Cowley	

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Lane	Merchant	Berntson
Malone	Thatcher	Ham
MacDonald	Collver	Katzman
Cameron	Larter	Birkbeck
Anderson	Bailey	

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read a second and third time and passed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Smishek, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Select Special Committee on Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly appointed on December 22, 1975, be instructed to consider and report from time to time upon the advisability of making changes in the Rules and Procedures of this Assembly.

7:11 o'clock p.m.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, took his seat upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly at its present Session has passed several Bills, which, in the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour, and to which Bills I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the Bills that had been passed severally as follows:

No.

- 46 An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act.
- 49 An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act (No. 1).
- 54 An Act to amend The Gift Tax Act, 1972.
- 72 An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act (No. 2).
- 73 An Act to amend The Income Tax Act.
- 74 An Act to amend The Fuel Petroleum Products Act.
- 26 An Act to amend The Dairy Products Act.
- 27 An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act, 1971.
- 28 An Act to amend The Change of Name Act.
- 30 An Act to amend The Prescription Drugs Act, 1974.
- 33 An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973.
- 35 An Act to repeal The Urban Advisory Commission Act, 1972.
- 45 An Act to amend The Agricultural Implements Act, 1968.
- 47 An Act to amend The Local Government Board Act.
- 50 An Act to provide for the Conservation of Coal Resources in Saskatchewan.
- 51 An Act to amend The Mental Health Act.
- 52 An Act respecting the Department of Municipal Affairs.
- 57 An Act to amend The Union Hospital Act.
- 58 An Act respecting Emergency Medical Aid.
- 64 An Act to amend The Superannuation (Supplementary Provisions) Act.
- 66 An Act to amend The Teachers' Superannuation Act, 1970.
- 68 An Act to amend The Teachers' Life Insurance (Government Contributory) Act.
- 69 An Act respecting The Transportation Agency of Saskatchewan.
- 20 An Act to amend The Motor Dealers Act, 1966.
- 32 An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act.
- 41 An Act to amend The Litter Control Act, 1973.
- 60 An Act to amend The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Act, 1976.
- 61 An Act to amend The Potash Development Act, 1976.
- 62 An Act to amend The Mineral Resources Act.
- 63 An Act to amend The Condominium Property Act, 1968.
- 71 An Act to amend The Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Act, 1974.
- 75 An Act to amend The Tabling of Documents (Postponement) Act, 1975.
- 76 An Act to amend The Ombudsman Act, 1972.
- 77 An Act to amend The Department of Finance Act.
- 78 An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.
- 79 An Act to amend The Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act.

36 An Act to amend The Liquor Act.

37 An Act to amend The Liquor Licensing Act.

The Royal Assent to these Bills was announced by the Clerk:

“In Her Majesty’s name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth Assent to these Bills.”

Mr. Speaker then said:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

This Legislative Assembly has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service. In the name of the Assembly I present to Your Honour the following Bill:

“An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service of the Fiscal Years ending respectively the Thirty-first day of March, 1976, and the Thirty-first day of March, 1977,” to which Bill I respectfully request Your Honour’s Assent.

The Royal Assent to this Bill was announced by the Clerk.

“In Her Majesty’s name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank the Legislative Assembly, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill.”

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to deliver the following speech.

MR. SPEAKER, MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

It is my duty to relieve you of further attendance at the Legislative Assembly. In doing so, I wish to thank you and congratulate you on the work you have done.

You have taken steps to ensure the rational development of coal resources in this Province, in the interest of existing and future generations of Saskatchewan citizens.

In recognition of the greater problems facing our urban centres, you have taken steps to redefine the role and functions of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

You have passed legislation to protect persons who provide emergency medical aid at the scene of an accident.

You have extended the “once-in-a-lifetime” gift exemption to small businesses.

To protect provincial interests in transportation, you have established a new Transportation Agency.

You have established procedures for the licensing and control of those engaged in personal and property security and the field of private investigations.

You have provided for the implementation of improved administrative operations for the Magistrates’ Courts and Justices of the Peace.

You have increased grants to regional and municipal libraries.

I thank you for the provision you have made to meet the further requirements of the Public Service, and I assure you that this sum of money will be used economically, prudently and in the public interest.

In taking leave of you, I thank you for the manner in which you have devoted your energies to the activities of the Session and wish you the full blessing of Providence.

The Hon. Mr. Cowley, Provincial Secretary, then said:

Mr. Speaker, and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is the will and pleasure of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it pleases His Honour to summon the same for the dispatch of business, and the Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

His Honour then retired from the Chamber.

7:21 o'clock p.m.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

By Mr. Lane:

Minutes and Verbatim Report of Proceedings of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 79)

By the Hon. Mr. Byers, a member of the Executive Council:

Report and Financial Statements of the Liquor Board Superannuation Commission Superannuation Fund for the year ended December 31, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 80)

By the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Centre of the Arts for the period ended June 30, 1975.

(Sessional Paper No. 81)

J. E. BROCKELBANK,
Speaker.

APPENDIX TO JOURNALS
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Questions and Answers

MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1976

1.—Mr. Birkbeck asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:

What Department is directly responsible for issuing "Licenses to Operate" to producers as defined in the Act respecting the Marketing of Natural Products?

- (a) How many producers of milk qualify for a licence in Saskatchewan?
- (b) How many licences to date have been issued?
- (c) How many licence applications have been refused in the last year?

Answer:

Producers of fluid milk in Saskatchewan are licensed under The Dairy Products Act. Milk producers are not licensed under The Natural Products Marketing Act. Both Acts are administered by the Department of Agriculture.

- (a) 490
- (b) 490
- (c) Applications from 8 industrial producers were not accepted as fluid producers in the Milk Marketing Pool because their production facilities were not of the required standard.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1976

2.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

Has any firm, company, person or agency been engaged by the Government of Saskatchewan or the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan to recruit staff for the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan? If so (a) what staff is being recruited? and (b) where is the recruitment taking place?

Answer:

—Yes

- (a) (i) Vice President - Marketing
- (ii) Comptroller

- (b) (i) Canada and the United States
- (ii) Canada

3.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

- (1) How many employees were recruited by the Saskatchewan Potash Corporation during the period May 1, 1975 to April, 1976?
- (2) What is the job designation of each of such employees?
- (3) What are the salaries payable in respect of each of such employees?

Answer:

- (1) 11
- (2) 1 president
2 Executive Vice-Presidents
2 Managers
1 Process Engineer
4 Clerk-Stenographers
1 Bookkeeper
- (3) Not in the public interest

4.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

- (1) What salary is being paid David Dombowsky in his capacity as General Manager of the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan?
- (2) What are the terms of the contract of employment, if any, of the said David Dombowsky?

Answer:

- (1) Not in the public interest.
- (2) Mr. Dombowsky is a Board appointment.

5.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

Has the Regina law firm of Griffin, Beke and Olive or any member thereof been engaged by the Government of Saskatchewan or the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan to recruit employees for the Potash Corporation? If so (a) when and what are the terms including remuneration to be paid, of the engagement of such firm? (b) what employees, if any, has this firm recruited and for what positions?

Answer:

—Mr. John Beke has been engaged for general legal work and is assisting in interviews conducted towards engaging a corporate solicitor.

- (a) Recruitment fees are not seperable from general legal fees.
- (b) none.

6.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

- (1) Was a Washington consulting firm by the name of Robert R. Nathan Associates Inc. engaged by the Government of Saskatchewan or the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan between June 1, 1972 and October 31, 1975? If so (a) when and for what purposes? (b) what was the advice given by this firm relative to the production and marketing of Saskatchewan potash?

Answer:

Yes. (a) To study potash supply and demand and related questions. (b) The recommendations of this report were taken into account by the Government in developing its potash policy and in reviewing ongoing potash developments. It is not considered in the public interest to reveal the recommendations of this report.

7.—Mr Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

Did Robert Nathan Associates Inc., a Washington Consulting firm, advise the Government of Saskatchewan or the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan, between June 30, 1973 and October 31, 1975, that if Russia attempted to penetrate United States potash markets in return for purchases of American grain, Saskatchewan might try to counteract such moves by making a deal to provide Saskatchewan wheat at attractive prices in return for the USSR staying out of the United States Potash Market? If so: (a) What did the report or the Government of Saskatchewan contemplate in terms of reimbursing Saskatchewan farmers for selling their grain at "attractive prices" below the going world price for Western grain? (b) Have any discussions been had with any officials elected or other wise of the Government of Canada or the Canadian Wheat Board in regard to any arrangements which would tie marketing Western grain? (c) When were such discussions had and what was the result thereof?

Answer:

No report was submitted by Robert Nathan Associates Inc., between June 30, 1973 and October 31, 1975.

8.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

Did the Washington consulting firm of Robert R. Nathan Associates Inc. advise the Government of Saskatchewan any time between June 30, 1971 and October 31, 1975, that "acquisition of ownership in the (Saskatchewan Potash) Mines is too expensive" and that "Saskatchewan does not have to do that to improve it's income from Potash?" If so: (a) when, and (b) was such advice part of a report given the Government of Saskatchewan or the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan?

Answer:

The recommendations of this report were taken into account by the Government in developing its potash policy and in reviewing ongoing potash developments. It is not considered in the public interest to reveal the recommendations of this report.

9.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

Did Mr. John Burton, while in the employ of the Government of Saskatchewan or the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan indicate to the Government that if the Government of Saskatchewan established a Crown marketing agency or sought to acquire ownership of a potash mine or mines in Saskatchewan “a Crown agency would have to anticipate the possibility of serious counter measures from potash producers with mines elsewhere and possibly from certain purchasers in view of the concentration of markets in the mid-western United States and the integrated operations of some firms in the potash business” and that “this possibility would be increased if it was clear that at the same time, the Government was making a direct entry into the potash industry?” If so: (a) When and what “counter measures” were anticipated? and (b) Did the latter include developing or expanding mines elsewhere in Canada and the United States?

Answer:

It has not been the practice and it has not been considered in the public interest to disclose whether public servants, individually or in concert with other public servants, have tendered advice on policy matters to the Government or to disclose the nature of any such advice.

10.—Mr. Cameron asked the Government the following Questions, which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

(1) Did the Government of Saskatchewan receive a written report in June of 1973 from the Department of Mineral Resources and/or John Burton suggesting acquisition of some or all of the potash mines as one of the options the Government might consider in its dealings with the Potash Companies?

(2) Did such report refer to “various steps that would constitute a ‘squeeze play’ on the existing firms in the industry”? If so: (a) what were these various steps that were outlined?

Answer:

It has not been the practice and it has not been considered in the public interest to disclose whether public servants, individually or in concert with other public servants, have tendered advice on policy matters to the Government or to disclose the nature of any such advice.

QUESTIONS re CROWN CORPORATIONS

(Referred to and Answered in Committee)

12.—Mr. Malone asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

- (1) With respect to furniture purchased for use in the executive offices of the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan, what was the total cost of the furniture purchased?
- (2) (a) Was the furniture purchased by the Department of Government Services? If so: (i) what is the name and address of the firm from which such furniture was purchased? (ii) is the firm Saskatchewan-based?
- (b) If not: (i) which Government Department or Agency purchased the furniture? (ii) what were the reasons for not purchasing through the Department of Government Services? (iii) what is the name and address of the firm from which such furniture was purchased? (iv) is the firm Saskatchewan-based?

Answer:

(1) Total Systems Furniture Order	\$87,631
Freight and Installation	7,000
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	\$94,631

Breakdown

Partitions	\$27,339
Equipment	32,628
Furniture	34,664
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	\$94,631

Breakdown

President's office (1)	\$ 4,653
Vice-Presidents' offices (4)	8,603
Others - Furniture	21,408
Equipment	32,628
Equipment - Partitions	27,339
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	\$94,631

- (2) (a) No.
- (b) (i) Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan

- (ii) Crown corporations have traditionally done their own purchasing because of their specialized requirements.
- (iii) Eaton's Contract Sales
1925 7th Avenue
Regina, Saskatchewan
- (iv) Yes.

40.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Questions, which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

- (1) How many wells has Saskoil drilled in each year since its formation?
- (2) In each of those years, how many wells were:
 - (a) oil wells?
 - (b) gas wells?
 - (c) respectively drilled in Saskatchewan? or
 - (d) drilled in Alberta?

Answer:

- (1) Drilled 5 wells in 1974.
Drilled 30 wells from January 1, 1975 to November 22, 1975.
- (2) (a) Two oil wells in 1974;
Nine oil wells from January 1, 1975 to November 22, 1975.
- (b) One gas well in 1974;
Four gas wells from January 1, 1975 to November 22, 1975.
- (c) Five wells were drilled in Saskatchewan in 1974;
Twenty-nine wells were drilled in Saskatchewan from January 1, 1975 to November 22, 1975.
- (d) No wells drilled in Alberta in 1974;
One well was drilled in Alberta from January 1, 1975 to November 22, 1975.

41.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Cowley:

What is the address of the head office of Saskoil?

Answer:

500 Financial Building, 2101 Scarth Street, Regina, Saskatchewan
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79.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

What was the global cost of operating the S.G.I.O. Legal Office in the 1973-74 fiscal year?

Answer:

The information in respect of the Government fiscal year April 1 to

March 31 is not readily available. However, the information requested in respect of the 1974 calendar year is as follows:

Internal operating costs	\$ 167,205.38
External solicitor and court costs	206,951.82
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	\$ 374,157.20
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80.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

- (a) What is the amount of the claims cost incurred by S.G.I.O. in the 1973-74 license year in respect of Part IV benefits pursuant to The Automobile Accident Insurance Act for liability?
- (b) How many claims were reported?

Answer:

Note that the wording of the question has been slightly revised in order that an answer may be provided. The information requested is not readily available in respect of the Government fiscal year April 1 - March 31. The information presented herein is in respect of the license year May 1 - April 30.

(a) Amount of claims cost	\$6,786,442
(b) Number of claims reported	2,021

81.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

- (a) What is the amount of the claims cost incurred by S.G.I.O. in the 1973-74 license year in respect of Part II benefits pursuant to The Automobile Accident Insurance Act?
- (b) How many claims were reported?

Answer:

Note that the wording of the question has been slightly revised in order that an answer may be provided. The information requested is not readily available in respect of the Government fiscal year April 1 - March 31. The information presented herein is in respect of the license year May 1 - April 30.

(a) Amount of claims cost	\$3,566,851
(b) number of claims reported	10,840

82.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

- (a) What is the amount of the claims cost incurred by S.G.I.O. in the 1974-75 license year in respect of Part II benefits pursuant to The Automobile Accident Insurance Act?

(b) How many claims were reported?

Answer:

Note that the wording of the question has been slightly revised in order that an answer may be provided. The information requested is not readily available in respect of the Government fiscal year April 1 - March 31. The information presented herein is in respect of the license year May 1 - April 30.

- (a) Amount of claims cost \$3,987,085
- (b) Number of claims reported 10,798

83.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

- (a) What is the amount of the claims cost incurred by S.G.I.O. in the 1974-75 license year in respect of Party IV benefits pursuant to The Automobile Accident Insurance Act for liability?
- (b) How many claims were reported?

Answer:

Note that the wording of the question has been slightly revised in order that an answer may be provided. The formation requested is not readily available in respect of the Government fiscal year April 1 - March 31. The information presented herein is in respect of the license year May 1 - April 30.

- (a) Amount of claims cost \$7,626,454
- (b) Number of claims reported 2,073

84.—Mr. Merchant asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Whelan:

What was the global cost of operating the S.G.I.O. Legal Office in the 1974-75 fiscal year?

Answer:

The information in respect of the Government fiscal year April 1 to March 31 is not readily available. However, the information requested in respect of the 1975 calendar year is as follows:

Internal operating costs	\$211,015.81
External solicitor and court costs	309,837.25
	\$520,853.06

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