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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 PROCLAMATION

DR. R. GOSSE

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 THURSDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of NOVEMBER, 1977, 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-FIFTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord ONE THOUSAND AND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN, and in the TWENTY-SEVENTH year of Our Reign.

By Command,

L. J.BEAUDRY, Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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Regina, Wednesday, November 16, 1977

3:00 o'clock p.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 three o'clock p.m. today, Wednesday, the Sixteenth day of November, 1977.

3:03 o'clock p.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 Fourth Session of the Eighteenth Legislature of Saskatchewan.

CANADA

My Government believes that Canada will remain as a strong and united nation.

The efforts of my Government are directed toward finding new ways of defining Confederation so that Canadians from all regions will feel a renewed sense of commitment and loyalty to their nation.

This is not an easy task.

Resentment against the federal government is not confined to Quebec. Saskatchewan, in common with the other western provinces, has reservations about the status quo. We have paid a high price for the tariff protection of Central Canadian manufacturers. We are the victims of a national transportation policy which makes it difficult to establish job-creating local industries. We must share the revenues of our natural resources with the rest of Canada, but we do not benefit from a similar sharing of the revenues of other commodities. We are a multicultural society, yet we see Canada increasingly defined as a land of only two cultural traditions.

Nevertheless, no one can question the loyalty of Saskatchewan people to the idea of Confederation. We are proud to be Canadians, and we want a Canada which commands the loyalty of all its citizens.

My Government believes that a majority of Quebecers have not rejected Canada. To keep Canada strong and united, we must be prepared to encourage negotiations which will produce a new basis for the Canadian federation. My Government is committed to this course of action.

THE ECONOMY

Saskatchewan continues to enjoy remarkable prosperity. During 1976 our Gross Domestic Product increased to \$7.4 billion, personal income rose to \$6.3 billion, and the construction industry recorded sizable increases. Throughout the year 14,000 additional jobs were created and our unemployment rate remained among the lowest in Canada.

In contrast, the Canadian economy as a whole continues to weaken. Real Gross National Product is declining, spending on consumer goods and services is faltering, Canada's trade deficit is reaching new records, and unemployment is growing at an alarming rate.

Under the strong leadership of my Government, Saskatchewan has been largely shielded from this economic recession in the rest of Canada. My Government will continue its efforts to keep our economy strong and to make sure our citizens keep those benefits and services they have come to expect.

As an immediate practical step to maintain spending by consumers and to assist those living on low incomes, the minimum wage will increase to \$3.15 per hour effective January 31, 1978, and to \$3.25 per hour effective June 30, 1978. In addition, my Government will introduce measures to supplement public service pensions.

AGRICULTURE

My Government is committed to strengthening rural Saskatchewan.

The rich soil of Saskatchewan has sustained the economy of our province throughout its history. In recent months, many Saskatchewan citizens have become alarmed about the loss of farm land to non-resident absentee landlords. You will be asked to approve amendments to *The Farm Ownership Act* to maintain the ownership of Saskatchewan farm land by Saskatchewan residents.

The Farm Security Act will be extended to provide continued protection for lessees and purchasers of farm land in cases of serious crop losses.

For the last three years, the price of beef cattle has been below the cost of production. In the absence of positive action by the federal government, Saskatchewan introduced a program of cash advances and grants to cattle producers to help maintain herds through this period of depressed prices. Although prices have stabilized slightly, my Government recently announced more favourable terms for the repayment of these cash advances and loans.

The Canadian Wheat Board, an agency vital to Saskatchewan farmers, has been subject to increasing attacks. My Government will work actively to defend the Wheat Board and the principle of orderly marketing.

In order to provide greater protection against rustling you will be asked to approve a new Animal Identification Act.

RESOURCES

The results of my Government's resource policy are well known. Saskatchewan people now control a greater share of their natural resources. Provincial revenues from these resources have increased significantly. A substantial part of these revenues, accumulated in the Energy and Resource Development Fund, have been invested to provide benefits for our people, not only in this generation, but in generations to come.

In order to deal more effectively with these investments for the future, you will be asked to approve legislation establishing a resource revenue trust fund.

In other areas, my Government will continue to promote the development of Saskatchewan's resources.

The exploration and development of Saskatchewan heavy oil reserves is expanding. Already in 1977 an estimated \$11 million has been spent in drilling activities. My Government is actively encouraging the construction of a heavy oil upgrading plant to process Saskatchewan heavy oil.

Saskatchewan has large amounts of high-quality uranium. My Government set up the Cluff Lake Board of Inquiry to investigate the economic, social and environmental effects of a proposed uranium mine in northwest Saskatchewan, and the broader implications of uranium development. Extensive public hearings have been held throughout the Province and many groups have been granted funds to develop presentations for the Board. My Government awaits the recommendations of the Board.

My Government also awaits the recommendations of the Natural Gas Development and Conservation Board on prices and development schedules for producers of natural gas.

Discussions are in progress with representatives of the coal industry and other interested groups on future policy for the development of Saskatchewan's sizable lignite coal deposits.

The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan became a potash producer just over a year ago when it acquired the former Duval mine, now the Cory Division. Since then it has added mines at Rocanville and Lanigan. Today, the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan owns more than 25 percent of the industry's productive capacity.

One of the objectives of my Government in entering the potash industry was to guarantee orderly expansion of the mines. The Potash Corporation is already proceeding with plans to expand production at both the Cory mine and the Rocanville mine. This has already resulted in more jobs for Saskatchewan workers.

The Potash Corporation is now the largest single producer of potash in Canada, the largest contributor to Canpotex, and the largest exporter of potash in the western world.

My Government believes that Saskatchewan people wish their government to take all appropriate steps to preserve and protect their right to develop mineral resources for their benefit and for the benefit of future generations of Saskatchewan people.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

During the past five years, the value of manufacturing shipments in Saskatchewan more than doubled, total investment tripled and new manufacturing investment increased four times. In the same period, employment in manufacturing increased by 35 per cent. This is an impressive success story.

My Government recognizes the importance of locally-based Saskatchewan industry. We share the confidence of Saskatchewan manufacturers in a developing and a diversified provincial economy. Programs aimed at encouraging and strengthening the initiatives of Saskatchewan manufacturers will be introduced in the near future.

Additional help will also be provided to smaller communities to revitalize their commercial areas and to identify promising business opportunities.

My Government believes that the construction of the Alaska natural gas pipeline will provide significant employment opportunities for Saskatchewan residents through construction activities and the manufacture of pipe by the IPSCO plant in Regina.

My Government appreciates the role played by small businessmen in the development of our province. It also recognizes the frustration of many small businessmen in the face of government regulation at the federal, provincial and municipal levels. A Minister's Advisory Committee on Small Business in Saskatchewan will be established to advise the Minister on additional ways to improve opportunities for small businesses in Saskatchewan.

Saskatchewan is proud of the large place taken in its business community by cooperatives and credit unions. Since 1971, 340 co-operatives have been incorporated in the Province. The Department of Co-operation and Co-operative Development continues to assist people interested in forming and knowing about co-operatives.

My Government notes with pleasure that next March Federated Co-operatives Limited, will celebrate its 50th anniversary.

Amendments to The Credit Union Act will be placed before you.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

My Government believes in strengthening local government. It has sought ways to broaden the base of municipal finance and has provided more flexibility and autonomy to municipal councils and school boards in setting local priorities.

In 1971 provincial grants to urban municipalities were less than \$1.3 million. These grants were all conditional. In 1977-78 grants to urban municipalities reached almost \$46 million and of this amount nearly \$26 million was in the form of unconditional grants.

Representatives of urban and rural municipalities are now engaged in discussions to establish a new system of sharing provincial revenues with local governments.

Local education authorities and other interested citizens have long recognized the need for strengthened local autonomy in education. The White Paper on school law, tabled at the last session of this Legislative Assembly, has now received extensive public discussion and study. You will be asked to approve legislation based on this Paper.

SENIOR CITIZENS

In the coming year my Government will continue to give special attention to the needs of senior citizens.

In order to help senior citizens who wish to remain in their own homes and communities, my Government has proposed a universal home care program. This program is being discussed with senior citizens and other interested people. My Government expects that the first stages will begin in 1978.

The Senior Citizens Home Repair grant program will be revised and strengthened.

Many senior citizens living in nursing homes require extra nursing and medical care, often at high cost. My Government will announce plans to provide additional financial relief for these people.

TRANSPORTATION

The battle for equitable freight rates and an adequate rail transport network is not yet over. Influential voices still call for rail line abandonment and an end to the Crow's Nest Pass freight rates.

The Hall Commission report on grain handling and transportation is a landmark document for Western Canada. The manner in which the recommendations are acted upon will determine the future not only of western agriculture but of the western economy. Actions to date by the federal government in apparent opposition to the recommendations of the Hall report have caused widespread concern.

In the interests of the West, my Government will continue to press for maintaining an adequate rail system and retaining the Crow's Nest rates.

In the coming year my Government will provide \$10 million for urban transportation. This program includes assistance for building arterial streets and highway connectors, conducting transportation studies and acquiring buses and other vehicles. Assistance will also be provided for transportation for the handicapped.

Work is almost complete on a new airport at Hudson Bay. My Government will share the cost of developing community airports in many other areas of the province.

The Maidstone Bridge, built at a cost of more than \$3 million is now complete. Work will begin in 1978 on the Gronlid Bridge.

NORTHERN SASKATCHEWAN

My Government will continue to place special emphasis on the needs of Northern Saskatchewan.

Since 1972 unprecedented strides have been made in all aspects of northern development. In housing, 175 homes will be built in this next year under the Northern Housing Program, bringing to 800 the total constructed during this five-year program.

In education, new schools will be built in such communities as Cole Bay, Turnor Lake, Michel Village and St. George's Hill, as well as a vocational school, estimated to cost more than \$4 million, in La Loche. The new gymnasium at Beauval is nearly complete and other facilities, such as the new Stanley Mission School, are well under way.

Municipal services will be improved by a new water and sewer system at Beauval and extensions of the systems at La Loche and Buffalo Narrows. The systems at Ile a la Crosse, Green Lake and La Ronge have been upgraded.

In addition, \$7 million for recreation facilities in the north will be provided during the next four years. Major grants have already been approved for Weyakwin, Uranium City, and Creighton.

Northern people have been given greater opportunities for self-government. Through the Northern Municipal Council, the Northern School Board and elected local school boards, local advisory councils, and local community authorities, northern people are making important decisions affecting their lives.

Legislation will be proposed to grant additional responsibilities to local governments in the north.

ENERGY

In the coming year, my Government will create an Office of Energy Conservation under the Minister of Mineral Resources. The office will play an important role in co-ordinating and fostering energy research and development. To encourage conservation by home-owners, a loan program will be established for the purchase and installation of insulation.

JUSTICE

My Government continues to improve the administration of justice in this province.

The list of accomplishments is long. The budget and the number of staff positions for the Magistrates' Court have been significantly increased. A Chief Judge and an Administrative Director have been appointed and Judges' salaries have been improved considerably. The Provincial Court Management Information System, one of the first of its kind in Canada, has been introduced to strengthen the administration of the courts.

In a continued effort to improve the court system in Saskatchewan, my Government will introduce The Provincial Court Act. The Act will:

- 1. Establish the Provincial Court as a court of record:
- 2. Provide for the creation of a Judicial Council; and
- 3. Give greater independence to the Provincial Court.

The Criminal Justice Co-ordinating Committee has recently reviewed the services available for juvenile offenders and disadvantaged youth and His Honour Judge Maher has completed his examination of the operation of wilderness camps in the province. My Government will be reassessing its policies in the light of these reports.

Hearings on the corrections system in Saskatchewan have recently been conducted by His Honour Judge Moore. My Government awaits his report.

FAMILY LAW

For some time now, my Government has been considering the recommendations of the Saskatchewan Law Reform Commission relating to matrimonial property.

In 1975, as an interim step, *The Married Women's Property Act* was amended to give the courts additional powers to make a fair and equitable division of property between spouses. At this Session my Government intends to introduce a new Matrimonial Homes Act

You will be asked to approve legislation to establish a Unified Family Court. This new Court will deal exclusively with family law, thereby reducing the caseloads of other Saskatchewan Courts. The first Unified Family Court will be located in Saskatoon.

My Government will place before you a new Extra-Provincial Custody Order Enforcement Act.

SAFETY '77

Last year my Government announced a seven point Traffic Safety Program.

The results to date have been impressive.

New measures have been introduced to control impaired drivers.

A Traffic Safety Court has been opened in Regina.

A new traffic safety curriculum has been developed for use in our schools.

Safety standards and regular inspections for school buses have been upgraded.

Recent statistics confirm that the Safety '77 campaign has resulted in many people being saved from injuries in traffic accidents.

You will be asked to approve further amendments to The Vehicles Act.

HFALTH

In the coming year, my Government will make further improvements to our health care system.

Additional funding will be provided for the College of Medicine to permit new initiatives in geriatric services and family medicine.

The powers of the professional association regulating nurses will be strengthened and updated in proposed revisions to *The Registered Nurses Act*.

A new Lifestyles Program will be designed to help Saskatchewan residents attain healthier lifestyles.

Amendments to *The Marriage Act* relating to the minimum age at which a person may marry will be introduced.

RECREATION

My Government continues to take steps to provide protection and prudent management of our wildlife resources. A new Moose Management Program has been developed to ensure the protection of prime breeding animals while at the same time directing hunting pressure towards non-productive animals.

Last summer, my Government inaugurated the Community and Regional Tourism Development Program to promote tourism in Saskatchewan. The program is designed to provide financial assistance for the establishment of tourism regions and the formation of regional travel associations.

A new Regional Parks Act will be placed before you.

SPECIAL EVENTS

During 1977, the people of Saskatchewan have joined with people throughout the Commonwealth to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. To honour this important anniversary, my Government has arranged for the distribution of portraits and pins to schools and other public places in the province.

Looking ahead, my Government notes with pride several forthcoming events.

On November 23, 1977, His Royal Highness Prince Philip arrives in Regina. His visit will coincide with the meeting in Saskatchewan of the Royal Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth for the first time in the history of our province and with the opening of Canadian Western Agribition, now Canada's largest livestock show.

This year, Saskatchewan 4H Clubs celebrate the 60th anniversary of their founding.

Next year, Regina will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its incorporation as a city, and in August, 1978, Saskatchewan will host the 19th Annual conference of Canadian Premiers.

Looking further ahead, in 1980, Saskatchewan will celebrate its 75th anniversary as a Province of Canada. You will be asked to approve legislation to establish a body to coordinate the organization of festivities across the Province.

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.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly that Natalie Biberdorf, Lorna Gulash, Connie McDougall, Gwen Orlowski and Gail St. Onge would be Pages during the present Session.

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly had received from the Chief Electoral Officer:—

A certificate of the following election and return viz.:

Of Norman Lusney, Esquire, as Member for the Constituency of Pelly. (Sessional Paper No. 1)

N. Lusney, Esquire, Member for the Constituency of Pelly, having previously taken the Oath, according to law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the Assembly.

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.

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

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor be taken into consideration on Monday.

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, Wiebe 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.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Snyder, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That when this Assembly adjourns on Thursday, November 17, 1977, it do stand adjourned until Monday, November 21, 1977.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Bowerman, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That notwithstanding Rule 3, this Assembly shall on Thursday, November 17, 1977, meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m. until 1:00 o'clock p.m.

The Assembly then adjourned at 3:47 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, November 17, 1977

10:00 o'clock a.m.

Thompson

PRAYERS:

Mr. Dyck 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	Katzman	McNeill
Anderson.	Koskie.	Messer
Berntson	Kwasnica	Nelson(As-Gr)
Birkbeck	Lange	Pepper
Cameron	Larter	Thatcher
Dyck	Lusney	Thibault
Faris	Matsalla	Vickar
Johnson	McMillan	Wiebe
Kaeding		
Quorum to be a majority		

CROWN CORPORATIONS

Kwasnica Banda Birkbeck Blakeney Cowley Johnson Quorum to be a majority	Lane(Qu'Ap) Larter Lusney MacDonald Matsalla McMillan	McNeill Messer Mostoway Nelson(As-Gr) Nelson(Yktn) Thompson
	EDUCATION	
Nelson(Yktn) Allen Bailey Baker Berntson Birkbeck Blakeney	Feschuk Ham Kowalchuk Lane(Sa-Su) MacAuley MacDonald MacMurchy	Rolfes Shillington Skoberg Smishek Snyder Stodalka Tchorzewski

Penner

Nelson(As-Gr)

Quorum to be a majority

Clifford

Faris

LAW AMENDMENTS AND DELEGATED POWERS

Allen Anderson Bailey Baker **Bvers** Cameron Faris Ham

Koskie Kowalchuk Lane(Qu'Ap) Lange McMillan Matsalla Mostoway Nelson(Yktn)

Robbins Romanow Skobera Snyder Stodalka Whelan Wipf

Quorum to be a majority

LIBRARY Mr. Speaker and

Clifford Feschuk Kaeding

Kwasnica Lane(Sa-Su) Lange

Malone Mostoway Wipf

Quorum to be a majority

MUNICIPAL LAW

Baker Berntson Clifford Feschuk Ham Kaeding Kramer

Lange Larter MacAuley MacMurchy Matsalla Messer McMillan

Nelson(Yktn) Nelson(As-Gr) Penner Rolfes Thatcher Thompson Vickar

Kwasnica

Quorum to be a majority

NON-CONTROVERSIAL BILLS

Cameron Birkbeck

Johnson Lusney

Merchant Rolfes

Ham Quorum to be a majority

PRIVATE BILLS

Allen Bailey Banda **Bvers** Clifford Dyck Ham Katzman Koskie

Kowalchuk Kwasnica Lange MacAuley MacDonald McNeill Merchant Nelson(Yktn) Penner

Romanow Skoberg Snyder Stodalka Thatcher Thibault Vickar Wipf

Quorum to be a majority

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

BakerLarterRobbinsAllenMacMurchyRomanowAndersonMcNeillStodalkaBandaMerchantTchorzewskiFeschukNelson(Yktn)Thatcher

Katzman

Quorum to be a majority

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND PRINTING

PennerKoskieMacMurchyAllenLane(Qu'Ap)SkobergByersLane(Sa-Su)VickarFeschukMacAuleyWiebe

Quorum to be a majority

RADIO BROADCASTING OF SELECTED PROCEEDINGS

Mostoway Ham MacDonald Banda Kowalchuk Pepper Birkbeck Kwasnica Wiebe Dyck

Quorum to be a majority

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Skoberg Feschuk Thibault
Berntson Koskie Whelan
Cameron Kramer Wiebe
Dyck Pepper Wipf

Quorum to be a majority

On motion of Mr. Dyck, seconded by Mr. Wiebe:

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.

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to Rule 105, the report of the Legislative Librarian dated November 16, 1977, which is as follows:—

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE LIBRARIAN REGINA. NOVEMBER 16, 1977

To the Honourable

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

Sir:

I have the honour to submit to you the Annual Report of the Legislative Library.

Reference and Circulation

During the year there was a drop in the number of reference questions received and the circulation of all types of materials. The decline no doubt can be attributed to two factors. The first is the transformation of the Legislative Building more nearly into what the name implies — the site of the legislative chamber and the offices of the Members and Cabinet Ministers, and the staffs immediately attached to them, with the consequent departure of almost all departmental and agency staffs. The second is the ever-increasing capacity of departmental libraries to serve their own constituencies. It should be noted that the decline of circulation figures is in comparison with the figures for the past two years only. In all but one category the totals are higher than for all previous years. For reference inquiries the figures are higher than for all years prior to 1973-74.

As in the past years, reference service was provided to the general public and with certain restrictions borrowing privileges were given to local lawyers, members of the federal civil service, university students, and members of the public working on special projects.

Following is a four-year statistical comparison:

	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
Reference Inquiries	4343	4205	4382	4036
Circulation				
Books from general collection	3289	3259	3686	3302
Law Texts, Statutes and Debates	995	1260	1029	597
Pamphlets and maps	1298	1609	1785	1398
Periodicals	765	868	943	799
Newspapers	602	848	716	610
Statistics Canada Materials	449	268	878	508

These figures take no account of renewals which often are made several times for an item or for transfers from one borrower to others made without notifying the library. They also exclude materials used on the premises and legislative library materials in storage in the Saskatchewan Archives Office and used or borrowed there. It should also be pointed out that lending to other than Members and the public service is largely restricted to books and law texts, other materials being used within the library only.

In the requests for information and research materials all, or very nearly all, of the subjects of current importance in Canada were represented. There were the hardy perennials such as transportation policies, the grain trade and freight rates, fiscal and general federal-provincial relations, the history and platforms of political parties, unemployment and labour supply, the history and operations of Saskatchewan government departments and crown corporations, rural-urban migration, problems of and policies concerning the native peoples, housing, election results, the criminal code, provincial legislation and regulations, the history of Saskatchewan communities, and biographies of Saskatchewan pioneers and prominent citizens, and of Saskatchewan and Canadian political figures. Subjects of more immediate topicality included the Quebec independence movement and the threat to Canadian unity (as would be expected), the energy crisis and the search for alternative sources of power with particular attention to the controversy over the development of uranium mines and nuclear power, the history of Royal Visits to Saskatchewan, foreign ownership of land, mineral taxation, the Government's purchase of potash mines, inflation, wage-price and rent controls, provincial control of resources, and cable T.V. The list could be extended almost indefinitely.

Interlibrary Loans

124 requests were processed on behalf of Members and researchers stationed in the Legislative Building to whom such service is now confined. As reported last year, requests from other government employees, some of which were handled formerly by the Legislative Library, are now looked after by the Provincial Library or by their own departmental libraries. The figures for loans of Legislative Library materials to other Saskatchewan and out-of-province libraries are included in the general circulation figures.

Government Publications

A Checklist of Saskatchewan Government Publications 1976 was compiled by Mrs. Paula Neumann, Reference Librarian. This was distributed to Canadian legislative libraries, government documents sections of university libraries, law college libraries, Saskatchewan government, regional, and larger public libraries, and to some other interested institutional libraries.

The library's early start as a depository library for Saskatchewan and Canadian federal government publications, and since 1964, U.S. government publications, has made its collection of these the most complete in the province. It is unfortunate from the library's point of view that because of lack of space the United States material must be stored in the Saskatchewan Archives Office stacks, but it is more accessible there to the University of Regina faculty and students to whom on the whole it is of greater importance. It is also regrettable that for the same reason the Australian parliamentary papers which the library began to receive on a systematic basis four or five years ago have had to be transferred to the University Library. But both they and the United States publications are relatively easily available when needed for anyone in government circles.

Indexing

The library's index to the Saskatchewan daily newspapers and *The Western Producer* continues to prove its worth, not only to government researchers but also, particularly, to university students in pursuit of information for essays and theses. Of the four dailies, coverage is most comprehensive for the *Leader Post*, Canadian Press items being noted there only, and to a lesser degree to the *Star-Phoenix*. Items noted in the *Moose Jaw Times-Herald* and the *Prince Albert Daily Herald* are chiefly about significant local affairs or news not covered in the Regina and Saskatoon papers.

The Commonwealth has been indexed from 1970, with a cumulation for 1970-1975 now available. The indexing for the period 1970-1974 and the typing of the cumulation was a major project of one of the two university students employed for the summer months.

Space

Space continues to be a problem. It is imperative that following the completion of the new Health Building and the subsequent further shifting of offices, better and larger accommodation be provided for the library's stack area — in the Legislative Building for quick access. This is very much needed both for the health and safety of the person in charge of the stack area and to allow for the transfer of material from the main library. In the meantime, a large number of books were recently weeded from the balcony shelves. Many were discarded outright but any books which might be useful to another library were set aside for duplicate exchange. This has relieved the pressure to a slight degree but noticeably so only to library staff. The discarding was done with suitable caution.

Conferences

In May the Reference and Legislative Librarians attended the Saskatchewan Library Association conference in North Battleford and the latter attended the conference of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries in Halifax.

Miscellaneous

The library continued to order books on behalf of departments and agencies which have no staff member qualified, as a librarian or library technician, to perform that function, to catalogue books for the Department of Mineral Resources (a long-standing arrangement), and daily to xerox a very considerable amount of material for other departments and individuals and to fill interlibrary loan requests. Accession lists of new books and of selected government documents and pamphlets were distributed every two or three months.

Once again I wish to record my thanks to the Provincial Archivist and the staff of the Saskatchewan Archives Office in Regina for their continuing co-operation and to an able, conscientious and hardworking staff.

Respectfully submitted CHRISTINE MACDONALD Legislative Librarian

(Sessional Paper No. 2)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

I would like to advise all Hon. Members that the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan now will have a daily Hansard. Formerly, the debates were transcribed within twenty-four hours but the edited final copy was not published until several months after prorogation. This system produced an historic record but was of limited current value to Members, public servants or the public in general.

On November 22, 1976, the Legislative Assembly agreed to the principle of implementing a daily Hansard by the fall of 1977.

New equipment has been purchased and new systems implemented so that the Debates and Proceedings can be published within approximately twenty-four hours after the debate in the Assembly. The debates of one afternoon will be on the Members' desks by 2:00 p.m. the next afternoon. The debates of that evening will be on the Members' desks by the next evening. The Members and the public will now be able to follow the proceedings in the Assembly on a daily basis.

This new system will mean that there will be some changes for the Members as well. Members will no longer be requested to edit their own transcribed speeches. The Hansard editors will edit all of the debates for spelling, punctuation and grammar. It must be remembered that due to the new time constraints, the Hansard editors will not be 'polishing' the speeches as much. The Debates and Proceedings will now be much closer to a direct verbatim record than ever before.

Any Member, upon seeing any errors or misquotations in the debates, may raise the correction in the Assembly before Orders of the Day. Such a correction will then appear in the debates for that day.

Since the debates will be delivered to the Members' desks and offices on a daily basis, I remind all Hon. Members to keep these published copies since there will no longer be any special bound copies of the debates at the end of the Session.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Yesterday in my office at 2:45 p.m. I received a letter over the signature of the Member for Souris Cannington.

Of concern to myself and the Speaker's Office were references to a political arrangement made between two political parties with the knowledge and approval of the Speaker and the Speaker's Office to deprive a third party of its parliamentary rights. Specifically, in paragraph four:

The Deal obviously made by the majority NDP Party with the Liberal Party has now been extended to the Legislative Assembly.

And further in paragraph five:

We have now been provided with a typed floor plan indicating that, as part of the apparent deal between the NDP and the Liberals, the Liberal Caucus has been allocated those seats in the Legislative Assembly which should be allocated to the Progressive Conservative Caucus.

Due to the equality of numbers of Members in the Opposition Parties and in the absence of practice or precedents I have arranged and held meetings with high representatives from each political party in an attempt to determine the fairest path to follow.

Those meetings held on October 21, 1977 and November 15, 1977 were supplemented by further meetings with the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, the Deputy Premier and House Leader and a telephone conversation with the Leader of the Liberal Party.

I categorically deny that any 'deals' were made with my approval.

I clearly understood, as a result of the meetings held that no agreements of any type were obtained.

The seating plan in the Legislature is established by the well known practice of parties making their nominations known to the Speaker. In the event of conflicting views the final decision is made by the Speaker.

While it is unnecessary for me to give my reasons for the final seating plan we have today, I will say that I view the seating to be secondary to the equal treatment which I hope to provide to the Leaders of both Opposition Parties.

I refer all Hon. Members to Sir Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice, Eighteenth Edition, p.157 which states as follows:

'Alleged breaches of privileges or contempts committed out of the House or in the precincts of the House but not in its actual view may be brought to the notice of the

House (1) by a complaint from a Member, (2) by a communication from the Speaker... (3) by a petition, or (4) by a report from a committee.

The letter, in my opinion, implies that I, as Speaker of this Assembly, have been a part of certain deals made between other Members and parties in the Legislative Assembly regarding proceedings about to take place in the Assembly.

I hereby communicate to this Assembly that in my opinion this matter constitutes a *prima facie* case of a breach of privilege. It is not my function to decide the question of substance whether a breach of privilege has in fact been committed and I therefore leave the matter in the hands of the Assembly to deal with as it sees fit.

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

That a letter of November 16, 1977 to the Speaker of the Assembly from Mr. Eric Berntson, MLA, Souris Cannington, be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections to determine whether the allegations contained therein breach the privileges of any members and if so what action ought to be taken in respect thereof.

A debate arising on the motion, at 1:00 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings.

By unanimous consent, the Assembly agreed to continue its sitting in order to consider several procedural motions.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Messer, 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 Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977, 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. Snyder, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Annual Reports and Financial Statements of the various Crown Corporations and related Agencies, be referred, as tabled, to the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

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

Ordered, That the Report of the Provincial Auditor for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977, 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. Byers, 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.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following Papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the following Professional Associations and amendments thereto, under provisions of the respective Acts:

Of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Saskatchewan

Of the Saskatchewan Association of Architects

Of the Chiropractors' Association of Saskatchewan

Of the College of Dental Surgeons of Saskatchewan

Of the Saskatchewan Embalmers Association

Of the Law Society of Saskatchewan

Of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association

Of the Rural Municipal Secretary-Treasurers' Association of Saskatchewan

(Sessional Paper No. 3)

Return (No. 4) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 23, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Steuart, showing:

- (1) The names and rates of salaries of the Deputy Ministers of each of the Government Departments as of June 23, 1971.
- (2) The names and rates of salaries of the Deputy Ministers of each of the Government Departments as of November 15, 1976.

(3) In each case since June 23, 1971, where a new appointment of a Deputy Minister was made, the effective date of such appointment.

(Sessional Paper No. 4)

Return (No. 7) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 8, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), showing:

(1) With respect to the Saskatchewan Power Corporation since June 23, 1971, the number of general increases in electric power rates and the date on which each took place. (2) The number of general decreases in electric rates and the date on which each took place.

(Sessional Paper No. 5)

Return (No. 8) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 23, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assinibola Gravelbourg) showing:

The name, position, monthly salary or wage rate of each person appointed by Order-in-Council to the staff of a Department, Agency, Board, Commission or other branch of the Government Service since January 1, 1975 to October 30, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No.6)

Return (No. 14) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 24, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

(1) The total number of executive assistants, special assistants, research assistants and other such aides attached to Ministers of the Saskatchewan Government or their Departments since January 1, 1975, to date. (2) The names, titles and salaries of all such assistants and aides with a breakdown as to departments.

(Sessional Paper No.7)

Return (No. 17) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Ham, showing:

(1) The number of highway construction projects tendered in Saskatchewan in each of the years 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 to date. (2) The number of miles in each project in each of the years 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 to date. (3) The names of the bidders for each project and the total bid for each tender in each of the years 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 to date. (4) The name of the successful bidder for each project in each of the years 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 to date. (5) Whether there were contracts awarded without tender in 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 to date, and if so, to whom they were awarded.

(Sessional Paper No.8)

Return (No. 30) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 22, 1977, on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

(1) The estimated cost of performing therapeutic abortions in the Saskatchewan hospitals in the 1976-77 fiscal year to date. (2) The estimated expenditures by the Provincial Government on planned parenthood and birth control information in the 1976-77 fiscal year to date.

(Sessional Paper No.9)

Return (No. 31) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 29, 1977 on the motion of Mr. McMillan, showing:

Whether the Department of the Environment has received communication from the Buffalo Pound Filtration Plant regarding an increase in the amount of pollutants in the drinking water supply to the cities of Regina and Moose Jaw. If so (a) the date (b) the Department's response.

(Sessional Paper No.10)

Return (No. 32) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

In each of the years 1974 to 1976, inclusive: (a) the Saskatchewan centres where Judges of the Magistrates' Court and Provincial Magistrates' "held court" and (b) where "court was held" in each of these centres.

(Sessional Paper No.11)

Return (No. 34) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

- (1) For the Department of the Attorney General, in each of the fiscal years 1967-68 to 1974-75 inclusive, the total payment made to private barristers and solicitors in respect of legal aid.
- (2) For the Saskatchewan Community Legal Services Commission, in the fiscal years 1974-75 and 1975-76 (a) the total cost of the legal aid plan; (b) the portion of the total cost expressed in dollars and cents paid out to private barristers and solicitors in legal fees and disbursements with respect to (i) criminal matters, and (ii) civil matters; (c) monies expended by clinics in the fiscal year 1974-75 and 1975-76 for delivery of criminal and civil legal aid services; (d) the approximate portion expressed in dollars and cents accounted for by administration.

(Sessional Paper No.12)

Return (No. 35) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

For the Saskatchewan Community Legal Services Commission:

(1) the number of cases undertaken by: (a) legal aid clinics in the fiscal years 1974-75 and 1975-76 in respect to criminal and civil matters; (b) private barristers and solicitors for the period 1974-75 and 1975-76 with respect to criminal matters; (c) private barristers and solicitors for the period from April 1, 1974 to March 31, 1977 with respect to civil matters. (2) the number of persons who received legal aid more than once with respect to both criminal and civil matters for the period from April 1, 1974 to March 31, 1977. (3) The number of persons who received legal aid for and in respect of criminal charges three, four, five or six or more times in the period from April 1, 1974 to March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No.13)

Return (No. 36) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

For the fiscal years 1974-75 and 1975-76, the approximate number of persons receiving legal aid charged under the provision of the criminal code who elected trial by (a) Judge alone and the final disposition of election (b) Judge and jury and the final disposition of election.

(Sessional Paper No.14)

Return (No. 37) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

The total number of policemen or policewomen employed full time in Saskatchewan in each of the years 1967 to 1976 inclusive, and of these: (a) the number who were members of the R.C.M.P.; (b) the number who were members of municipal or other police forces.

(Sessional Paper No.15)

Return (No. 38) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

Of the total number of municipal policemen or policewomen employed in Saskatchewan between the years 1971 and 1976 inclusive, (a) the number who were women and (b) the rank these women held in each of the said years.

(Sessional Paper No.16)

Return (No. 45) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

Whether any personnel, employed by S.G.I.O., worked for the Carter Committee on no fault reparations on either a full time or part-time basis. If so (a) the names of these persons (b) the nature of their assistance (c) the remuneration that has been paid to them.

(Sessional Paper No.17)

Return (No. 48) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

The total amount of provincial fines collected for all convictions in Saskatchewan in each of the fiscal years 1971-72 to 1976-77 inclusive.

(Sessional Paper No.18)

Return (No. 54) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

The financial remuneration paid and agreed to be paid to Roger Carter in respect of his work regarding the no fault reparations proposals.

(Sessional Paper No.19)

Return (No.55) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

(1) The total expense to date in all respects of and incidental to the Carter Commission, chaired by Roger Carter, and concerned with the no fault reparations proposals and (2) how such expenditure is categorized.

(Sessional Paper No.20)

Return (No. 68) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 26, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

With respect to the recent wildcat strike at the Cory Mine: (a) the amount the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan estimates its losses to be on a day by day basis; (b) whether the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan considers the strike to have been an illegal one; (c) what action, if any, the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan proposes to take as a result of the strike; (d) (i) whether the contract between the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan and the union provides that in the event of an illegal strike, the union is financially responsible for losses suffered (ii) whether a grievance procedure to establish the financial responsibility is provided for in the contract; (e) whether the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan proposes to take a grievance

against the union for the losses suffered in the strike.

(Sessional Paper No.21)

Return (No. 69) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 26, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

(1) Whether the Plains Health Centre owes to a number of employees back wages for failure to pay overtime to employees who have worked beyond five working days and have been paid on a 'straight time basis' rather than paid 'overtime'. (2) Whether the Department of Labour complained to the Plains Health Centre about the failure to pay on an overtime basis for workers who worked beyond 5 continuous days. (3) Whether the employees involved are mostly in the admitting section and also employees who work the switchboard. (4) (a) How far back the 'backpay' is due; (b) whether it is a fact that in some cases, the backpay is due for as long as two years.

(Sessional Paper No.22)

Return (No. 70) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 26, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

(1) Whether any buildings have been closed in Uranium City because of the high radiation levels. (2) The highest radiation levels recorded in buildings in Uranium City during 1976. (3) (a) Whether the Provincial Government has been requested to contribute anything towards the \$346,000 Federal Government project planned for 1977 designed to clean up the dangerous radioactive materials in the Uranium City area. (b) Whether the Provincial Government has requested equipment from the Federal Government or planned the purchase of equipment to test the radon levels in an ongoing way in Uranium City and Rabbit Lake as the Ontario Government checks the radon levels in Port Hope.

(Sessional Paper No.23)

Return (No. 72) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated May 10, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

The details of a loan made by SEDCO to a company establishing a briquette manufacturing plant in Moose Jaw including: (a) the name of the borrower (b) the names of the officers and directors of the borrower (c) the total amount of the loan (d) the sale price of the property.

(Sessional Paper No.24)

At 1:07 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Monday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker laid before the Assembly, pursuant to Section 203A(1) of The Election Act, 1971 a summary of election contributions and expenses of all candidates and their business managers in conjunction with the by-elections held in the provincial constituencies of Saskatoon-Sutherland, Prince Albert-Duck Lake and Pelly.

(Sessional Paper No. 27)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On Thursday last, a point of order was raised to the effect that two Hon. Members have used unparliamentary language. I have checked the Debates and Proceedings and found that the words 'lie' and 'liar' were used by the Hon. Member for Regina Lakeview (p.35) and by the Hon. Member for Indian Head-Wolseley (p.19).

All Hon. Members know that these words are unparliamentary and are not acceptable in this Assembly. I refer all Hon. Members to *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, 1958, p.130 which states that unparliamentary language contains:

The imputation of bad motives, or motives different from those acknowledged, misrepresenting the language of another, or accusing him, in his turn, of misrepresentation, charging him with falsehood or deceit; or contemptuous or insulting language of any kind; all these are unparliamentary...

I therefore intend to call on both Hon. Members to withdraw these unparliamentary words or expressions referred to and I call on the Hon. Member for Regina Lakeview to withdraw first.

Mr. Malone and Mr. MacDonald thereupon withdrew the said remarks.

On motion of Mr. McMillan, seconded by Mr. Anderson, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Cameron be substituted for that of Mr. Anderson and the name of Mr. McMillan be substituted for that of Mr. Merchant on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

The Order of the Day having been called for consideration of the Speech of His Honour at the opening of the Session, Mr. Lusney, seconded by Mr. McNeill 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 on motion of Mr. Malone, adjourned.

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

That a letter of November 16, 1977 to the Speaker of the Assembly from Mr. Eric Berntson, MLA, Souris Cannington, be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections to determine whether the allegations contained therein breach the privileges of any members and if so what action ought to be taken in respect thereof.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Thatcher, seconded by Mr. Berntson, in amendment thereto:

That the motion not now be dealt with but be dealt with six months hence.'

Mr. Speaker ruled that the motion was out of order and cited *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, citation 202(11).

The debate continuing and a Point of Order having been raised that the Hon. Member for Thunder Creek could not re-enter the debate, Mr. Speaker ruled that the Point of Order was well taken and cited Rule 28.

The debate continuing on the motion, 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. Romanow, a member of the Executive Council:

Report of the Attorney General pursuant to Section 18 of the Crown Administration of Estates Act.

(Sessional Paper No. 25)

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, 1976 to the 31st day of March, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 26)

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

Return (No. 39) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

The total amount of money collected as petition fees in each of the years 1971 to 1976 in Surrogate Court fees.

(Sessional Paper No. 28)

Return (No. 49) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

The disposition of monies paid into court in civil actions and if invested (a) how quickly such funds are invested (b) where such funds are invested (c) at what interest rates such funds are invested.

(Sessional Paper No. 29)

Return (No. 50) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

(1) Of the monies "paid into court" in civil actions in Saskatchewan, the amount on deposit as of March 31, in each of the years 1971 to 1976, inclusive. (2) The amount of interest on hand for distribution on these funds at March 31 for each of the years 1971 to 1976, inclusive. (3) The approximate rate of interest paid out thereon.

(Sessional Paper No. 30)

Return (No. 60) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

In each of the years 1970 to 1976 inclusive:

(a) the total number of persons who sustained personal injuries in auto accidents in this Province as reported under The Vehicles Act; (b) the number of injury claims made under (i) Part II (automatic accident benefits) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act (ii) Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act; (c) the amount of such claims (i) under Part II (automatic accident benefits) (ii) under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others); (d) the number of such claims under Part II (automatic accident benefits) of The Automobile Accident Insurance

Act which were settled and wholly paid out (i) during the year of occurrence (ii) within one year after the year of occurrence (iii) within two years after the year of occurrence (iv) within three years after the year of occurrence; (e) the number of such claims under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act which were settled and wholly paid out (i) during the year of occurrence (ii) within one year after the year of occurrence (iii) within two years after the year of occurrence (iv) within three years after the year of occurrence; (f) the number of claims incurred under Part II (automatic accident benefits) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act of (i) less than \$1,000 (ii) between \$1,000 to \$5,000 (iii) between \$5,000 to \$15,000 (iv) between \$15,000 to \$25,000 (v) between \$25,000 to \$50,000 (vi) between \$50,000 to \$100,000 (vii) over \$100,000; (g) the number of claims incurred under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act of (i) less than \$1,000 (ii) between \$1,000 to \$5,000 (iii) between \$5,000 to \$15,000 (iv) between \$15,000 to \$25,000 (v) between \$25,000 to \$35,000; (h) the number of such claims under Part II (automatic accident benefits) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act that were settled (i) on a voluntary basis between S.G.I.O. and the claimant (ii) only after the amount was determined by a judgment of a court; (i) the number of such claims under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act that were settled (i) on a voluntary basis between S.G.I.O. and the claimant (ii) only after the amount was determined by a judgment of a court; (j) the estimated number of such claims under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act which were made by or on behalf of persons adjudged or decided by S.G.I.O. to be (i) without fault in the causing of the accident that resulted in injury (ii) partly at fault in the causing of the accident that resulted in injury; (k) the estimated cost of (i) adjusting claims under Part II(automatic accident benefits) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act (ii) adjusting claims under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act; (I) the estimated cost of (i) payments made by claimants to their solicitors in respect of claims under Part II (automatic accident benefits) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act. (ii) payments made by claimants to their solicitors in respect of claims under Part IV (third party liability insurance for injury and death or property damage of others) of The Automobile Accident Insurance Act.

(Sessional Paper No. 31)

Return (No. 64) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

(1) The one or ones that prepared the glossy pamphlet or brochure

entitled "Reparations for Motor Vehicle Accidents". (2) Whether an advertising agency was used. If so, the one or ones. (3) The total cost of the (a) design production printing and (b) distribution of such pamphlet. (4) Whether the content of such pamphlet received the approval of the Attorney General or anyone employed or engaged by his Department.

(Sessional Paper No.32)

Return (No. 65) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

(1) The one or ones that prepared the pamphlet "Reparations and You" distributed by S.G.I.O. (2) Whether an advertising agency was used. If so, the one or ones. (3) The total cost of the (a) design production printing and (b) distribution of such pamphlet. (4) Whether the content of such pamphlet received the approval of the Attorney General or anyone employed or engaged by his department.

(Sessional Paper No.33)

Return (No. 76) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated May 3, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

(1) The loss by SEDCO for the year ending December . 31, 1976. (2) (a) The total number of loans payable to SEDCO as at the year end of December 31, 1976; (b) (i) whether it is an increase or a decrease from the loans outstanding at the end of the previous year (ii) the amount of the increase or decrease. (3) (a) The equity of the Saskatchewan Government in SEDCO for the year ending December 31, 1976; (b) (i) the increase in that equity from (3) (a) over the year ending December 31, 1975 (ii) over the year ending December 31, 1974. (4) (a) The amount SEDCO invested in equity positions at the end of the calendar year December 31, 1976; (b) (i) whether the amount from (4) (a) was an increase or decrease from that as of December 31, 1975 (ii) the amount of the increase or decrease; (c) (i) whether the amount from 4 (a) was an increase or decrease from that as of December 31, 1974 (ii) the amount of the increase or decrease. (5) (a) The amount set aside by SEDCO as an allowance against bad debts as of December 31, 1976; (b) the comparison of (5) (a) to the amount set aside as an allowance against bad debts as of December 31, 1975; (c) the comparison of (5) (a) to the amount set aside as an allowance against bad debts as of December 31, 1974. (6) (a) The number of SEDCO loans that are partially or wholly in arrears of repayment as of December 31, 1976; (b) (i) whether it is an increase in the number of loans that were in arrears as of December 31, 1975 (ii) if so, the number; (c) (i) whether it is an increase in the number of loans that were in arrears as of December 31, 1974 (ii) if so, the number. (7) (a) The total outstanding indebtedness owing to SEDCO including all principal and interest

owing of the debtors in arrears on (i) December 31, 1976 (ii) December 31, 1975 and (iii) December 31, 1974; (b) whether there is any interest differential between loans for businesses creating employment in centres of 10,000 or more and loans creating employment in smaller centres. (8) (a) The special encouragement, if any, given by SEDCO to businesses to establish in areas other than centres with populations exceeding 10,000 in terms of special economic incentives; (b) (i) whether loans of similar risk to SEDCO are treated differentially depending upon the location of the jobs which will be established and (ii) whether loans for businesses which will be in centres with populations less than 10,000 are given special treatment and from time to time accepted notwithstanding the fact that they are of greater risk than loans which were rejected where those rejected loans would have established jobs in centres with populations exceeding 10,000. (9) The size and terms of interest and repayment of all loans advanced by the Government of Saskatchewan to SEDCO since the inception of SEDCO. (10) The terms of interest and repayment and the principal outstanding of all loans owing by SEDCO to the Government of Saskatchewan (a) as of December 31, 1976 (b) as of December 31, 1975 and (c) as of December 31, 1974. (11) The returnable investment, if any, received by the Government of Saskatchewan from its equity investment in SEDCO since the inception of SEDCO. (12) The equity investment that has been advanced by the Government of Saskatchewan to SEDCO since the inception of SEDCO. (13) (a) The retained earnings position of SEDCO as of December 31, 1976; (b) the retained earnings of SEDCO at December 31, 1976 compared with that as of December 31, 1975; (c) the retained earnings position of SEDCO at December 31, 1976 compared with that as of December 31, 1974. (14) (a) The profit or loss of SEDCO for the year ending December 31, 1976; (b) the profit or loss of SEDCO for the year ending December 31, 1976 compared with that as of December 31, 1975; (c) the profit or loss of SEDCO for the year ending December 31, 1976 compared with that as of December 31, 1974.

(Sessional Paper No.34)

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

Pursuant to Section 201D(3) of The Election Act, 1971, a statement setting out the name of each candidate at the Saskatoon-Sutherland by-election, the Prince Albert-Duck Lake by-election and the Pelly by-election in respect of whom a reimbursement of election expenses was paid under Section 201D(1) (b) of the Act, and the amounts so paid in respect of each candidate.

(Sessional Paper No. 35)

Final Report of the Committee on the Role and Remuneration of Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan dated November 14, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 36)

The Assembly adjourned at 8:21 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, November 22, 1977

2:00 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 The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act.

(Hon. Mr. Byers)

Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Agricultural Incentives Act, 1973. (Hon. Mr. Kaeding)

Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Police Act, 1974.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act.

(Hon. Mr. Messer)

Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act. 1976.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

Bill No. 27—An Act to repeal The Municipal Road Assistance Authority Act, 1966.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Community Capital Fund Act, 1974.

(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 Cemeteries Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 3—An Act to amend The Guarantee Companies Securities Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Sale of Training Courses Act, 1972.

(Hon. Mr. Whelan)

Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Collection Agents Act, 1968.

(Hon. Mr. Whelan)

Bill No. 7—An Act to amend The Credit Reporting Agencies Act, 1972.

(Hon. Mr. Whelan)

Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Farm Security Act.
(Hon. Mr. Kaeding)

Bill No. 10—An Act respecting the Enforcement of Extra-provincial Custody Orders.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 11—An Act respecting the Interprovincial Adoption of Subpoenas.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act, 1968.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Surrogate Court Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The District Court Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Revised Statutes Act, 1974.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Court Officials Act. (Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Trustee Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 18—An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 19—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Administration of Estates of Mentally Disordered Persons Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Creditors' Relief Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Urban Municipal Elections Act, 1968.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and, by leave of the Assembly, referred to the Select Standing Committee on Noncontroversial Bills.

Bill No. 4—An Act to amend The Water Supply Board Act, 1972. (Hon. Mr. Bowerman)

The Order of the Day being called for the following Questions (Nos. 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14), under Rule 35(2), it was ordered that the said Questions stand as Notices of Motions for Returns (Debatable):

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 66) showing:

Of the applications received for rebates under the Farm Cost Reduction Program by the Department of Agriculture for the 1976-77 fiscal year, the total amount in gallons of: (a) purple gas shown on the applications, (b) diesel fuel shown on the applications, (c) propane shown on the applications.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No.67) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Sheep Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 68) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Poultry Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 69) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Feed Lot Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 70) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Dairy Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 71) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Cow Calf Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 72) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start Loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Hog Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

Return Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 49, 50, and 52.

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

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, it was moved by Mr. Malone, seconded by Mr. Penner, in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added to the motion:

that this Assembly has no confidence in the government and condemns it for its failure in the Speech from the Throne to:

- (1) take any action whatsoever to halt the rising violent crime rate in the Province of Saskatchewan and to improve the quality of the administration of justice in this province;
- (2) halt the growth of the government bureaucracy and improve the efficiency of existing government departments, agencies, boards, commissions and crown corporations;
- (3) include any proposals for dealing with the problems and the concerns confronting our Indian and Metis people;
- (4) provide any means to protect the people of Saskatchewan from the rise in the cost of living caused to a large extent by increases in rates charged by crown corporations for services provided to the people of Saskatchewan.

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

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

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Koskie be substituted for that of Mr. Baker; the name of Mr. Cowley be substituted for that of Mr. Robbins; and the name of Mr. Shillington be substituted for that of Mr. Romanow on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

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

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 HEWGILL BROCKELBANK, who died on May 30, 1977, was a Member of this Legislature for the constituency of Tisdale from 1938

to 1952 and for Kelsey from 1952 to 1967. He was born in Heathcote, Ontario, in 1897 and came west with his parents in 1911 to settle on a farm west of Battleford. He attended Saskatoon Collegiate Institute until the First World War when he served with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in France and Belgium, Upon returning from overseas he attended normal school in Saskatoon, taught for two years in the Biorkdale area and then farmed in that district until 1944. During his twenty-nine year career in the Legislature he served from 1941 to 1944 as House Leader of the opposition party; he served at various times as Minister of Municipal Affairs, Minister of Natural Resources and Industrial Development, Minister of Mineral Resources, and Provincial Treasurer; he also acted as Deputy Premier from 1961 to 1964. He was an active supporter of co-operatives and farm organizations including the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association and the United Farmers of Canada. In 1974, he received an honorary doctor of laws degree from the University of Regina.

JOHN CUNNINGHAM KNOWLES, who died on August 31, 1977, was a Member of this Legislature for the constituency of Wilkie from 1938 to 1944. Born at Severn Bridge, Ontario in 1894, he was educated at Ufford, Ontario and Northern Business College in Owen Sound. He was a veteran of both world wars. He went overseas with the 122nd Battalion and served in France and Flanders in the First World War and served in the 16th—22nd Saskatchewan Light Horse in the Second World War. After the First World War, he came west and farmed at Unity. He was on the board of directors of the Saskatchewan School Trustees Association and the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities and for fifteen years was a member of Unity municipal council. After the Second World War he was manager of a real estate company in Regina until his retirement in 1965. He was active in numerous community organizations including the First Presbyterian Church, the Royal Canadian Legion, the United Services Institute, the I.O.O.F. Lodge, the Friendship Masonic Lodge, and the Wa Wa Shrine Temple. He received the Efficiency Decoration (ED) from the Canadian Army in 1944 and was also awarded the order, Member of the British Empire (MBE) in 1946 for distinguished military service.

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. Bailey

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.

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

Ordered, That this Assembly records its pleasure in congratulating Mr. George Stephen, former Clerk of this Assembly from 1949 to 1960, who celebrated his 90th birthday on November 17, 1977. This Assembly wishes to express best wishes to Mr. Stephen for continued good health and happiness.

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. 26) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated March 8, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Merchant, showing:

With respect to the Saskatchewan Power Corporation:

(1) the average cost to a farmer to hook up for power; (2) the percentage increases in rural power rates since June 23, 1971; (3) the average farm power bill; (4) the average urban power bill; (5) (a) whether farmers pay more per kilowatt hour for power than urban dwellers, (b) if so, the amount per kilowatt hour.

(Sessional Paper No. 37)

Return (No. 33) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

For the Department of the Attorney General, in the fiscal years 1967-68 to 1974-75 and for the Saskatchewan Community Legal Services Commission, in the fiscal years 1974-75 and 1975-76:

(1) the number of persons employed in respect of the legal aid plan; (2) the job classifications of those persons; and (3) the salary ranges for each job classification in each of the said fiscal years.

(Sessional Paper No.38)

Return (No. 40) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 26, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

(1) The number of cases and convictions in the Magistrates' Courts in Saskatchewan for each of the years 1968 to 1976, inclusive, under the following: (a) Criminal Code (Canada) - Impaired and related (b) Criminal Code (other) (c) Narcotic Control Act (d) Other federal Acts (e) The Liquor Act (f) The Vehicles Act (speeding) (g) The Vehicles Act (other) (h) Other provincial Acts (i) Municipal bylaws.(2) The number of

cases and convictions in The District Court in Saskatchewan for each of the years 1968 to 1976, inclusive, under the following: (a) Criminal Code (Canada) - Impaired and related (b) Criminal Code (other) (c) Narcotic Control Act (d) Other federal Acts (e) The Liquor Act (f) The Vehicles Act (speeding) (g) The Vehicles Act (other) (h) Other provincial Acts (i) Municipal bylaws. (3) The number of cases and convictions under The Queen's Bench Court in Saskatchewan for each of the years 1968 to 1976, inclusive, under the following: (a) Criminal Code (Canada) - Impaired and related (b) Criminal Code (other) (c) Narcotic Control Act (d) Other federal Acts (e) The Liquor Act (f) The Vehicles Act (speeding) (g) The Vehicles Act (other) (h) Other provincial Acts (i) Municipal bylaws.

(Case means any charge or group of charges brought before a court in respect of which there is a single disposition made by that court. Civil actions are not included.)

(Sessional Paper No.39)

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

Annual Report of the Alcoholism Commission of Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 40)

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Questions (Nos. 1, 8, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19) on the Orders of the Day, were passed by the Assembly as Orders for Returns, under Rule 35(3), and Orders of the Assembly were issued to the proper officers, accordingly, viz.:—

By Mr. Wipf, for a Return (No. 73) showing:

Whether the Government of Saskatchewan has made payments on Department of Northern Saskatchewan voucher No. 12643. If so (a) the particulars of payment in detail for the Department of Northern Saskatchewan voucher No. 12643 dated December 10, 1976 (b) on whose behalf was the money expended (c) on whose authority was this money expended.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 74) showing:

(1) The total acreage of cultivated and pasture land presently under irrigation in Saskatchewan. (2) Of that total the amount that is (a) cultivated land (i) privately owned (ii) under provincial control (iii) under federal control (iii) under provincial control (iii) under federal control.

By Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle) for a Return (No. 75) showing:

Whether the Government of Saskatchewan did contract with any outside firm, or agency, or company, or individuals to guard prisoners or work as security guards at Saskatchewan Correctional Centres in the year 1976. If so (a) the amounts that were paid to each (b) the qualifications criteria, if any, that are required by the Government.

By Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle) for a Return (No. 76) showing:

Whether the Government of Saskatchewn did contract with any outside firm, or agency, or company, or individuals to guard prisoners or work as security guards at Saskatchewan Correctional Centres from January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977. If so (a) the amounts that were paid to each (b) the qualifications criteria, if any, that are required by the Government.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 77) showing:

The total cost of the construction of the teepees located on the south shore of Diefenbaker Lake and the Saskatchewan Landing Bridge on No. 4 Highway.

By Mr. Bailey, for a Return (No. 78) showing:

The number of villages and towns in Saskatchewan that have not received promised provincial grants as of November 1, 1977 from the Municipal Water Assistance Board.

By Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle), for a Return (No. 79) showing:

Whether the Central Vehicle Agency or the Government of Saskatchewan purchased vehicles between January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977. (a) If so, the number of vehicles that were purchased (b) the make and model so purchased by number (c) the cost of each unit (d) whom were the units purchased from (e) to whom were these units supplied.

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

By Mr. Wipf, for a Return (No. 4) showing:

The departments or agencies that paid for the costs of coffee parties held in the Constituency of Arm River in the month of October, 1977, and the department or agency that paid for and the amount paid for the advertisement on radio for the meetings in Arm River in which the ads featured the voice of the Attorney General.

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 8) showing:

(1) For the fiscal year 1977-78, to date, whether any crown land has been sold by the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture to: (a) individuals;(b) co-ops; (c) corporations; (d) local governments. (2) If so (a) the total acreage involved; (b) the total number of cultivation leases sold; (c) the total acreage of leases sold under (b); (d) the total number of sales of uncultivated land; and (e) the total acreage of land sold under (d).

By Mr. Wiebe, for a Return (No. 9) showing:

In the 292 Rural Municipalities and 9 Local Improvement Districts in the Province of Saskatchewan as of November 1, 1977: (1) The total acreage of crown land administered by the Department of Agriculture and not held by the Land Bank Commission; (2) Of the acreage shown in (1) (a) the number of acres under cultivation leases (b) the number of acres under grazing leases (c) the number of individuals holding leases (d) the number of community pasture holding leases; (3) Whether any of the above land will be turned over to the Land Bank Commission.

By Mr. Katzman, for a Return (No. 12) showing:

The names of persons who have or had a government vehicle assigned to them for government and private use from April 30, 1974 to November 1, 1977. (a) The costs and terms of payment in respect to private use by each.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 15) showing:

With respect to the Poplar River Power Project; (a) the total estimated cost of the first 300 MW addition to the East Poplar Development; (b) the date it is to become operational.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 16) showing:

(a) The name of the firm, company, or individual contracted or hired to do a survey in the Wood River Basin within the last five years; (b) the cost of the contract or project; (c) the purpose of the survey.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 17) showing:

(1) The total amount of grants, excluding winter works grants, paid to the Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan by the Department of Municipal Affairs, during the fiscal years: (a) 1970-71 (b) 1971-72 (c) 1972-73 (d) 1973-74 (e) 1974-75 (f) 1975-76 (g) 1976-77 (h) 1977-78 to date. (2) The total budgets of Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan during the fiscal years: (a) 1970-71 (b) 1971-72 (c) 1972-73 (d) 1973-74 (e) 1974-75 (f) 1975-76 (g) 1976-77 (h) 1977-78 to date.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 20) showing:

The total cost of the Poplar River Power Project todate.

By Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), for a Return (No. 21) showing:

With respect to the thermal power plants for the Poplar River Power Project; (a) the sizes of each (b) the total estimated costs of construction for each; (c) the dates each will become operational.

By Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle), for a Return (No. 25) showing:

With regard to prisoners who escaped in each of the years 1976 to November 1, 1977 from Provincial Correctional Centres: (a) dates of each escape; (b) the number of prisoners still at large from any escape; (c) names of such prisoners.

By Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle), for a Return (No. 48) showing:

The number of government employees granted leaves of absence between September 1, 1977 and October 15, 1977; (a) names; (b) salary of each; (c) length of leave; and (d) the amounts expended on behalf of each employee so taking leave.

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

(1) The value of each share held by the Government of Saskatchewan in Lamb Processors Co-operative Limited at the date of purchase. (2) The present value of each share.

The Assembly adjourned at 8:03 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, November 23, 1977

2:00 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 525 minutes of radio time arranged for the current Address-in-Reply debate, and recommends to the Assembly that time be shared as follows:

335 minutes to the Government Members, 95 minutes to Members of the Liberal Opposition and 95 minutes to Members of the Progressive Conservative Opposition.

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

Your Committee wishes to note that this allocation of radio time is for the Address-in-Reply only and that your Committee will report further on the allocation of radio time for the Budget Debate.

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

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

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Collver, 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:

As a result of the declaration today of the Supreme Court of Canada that the provisions of Bill 42 are Ultra Vires of provincial jurisdiction, the People of Saskatchewan could be required to repay to the oil industry a sum approximating a half billion dollars. The People of Saskatchewan should not be required to repay this money to the Oil Industry. Any attempt by the Government of Saskatchewan to rectify retroactively this extremely urgent matter will be attacked by the Oil Industry as an attempt to do indirectly that which cannot be done directly.

Therefore, it is our intention to move that this Assembly immediately request the Government of Canada to pass the necessary legislation to protect the People of Saskatchewan from the onerous burden and to require that the Oil Industry pay its fair share of taxation to the Government of Saskatchewan.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Two Notices were received in the Clerk's Office this morning regarding a Priority of Debate under Rule 17. The first Notice was received at 10:05 a.m. from the Hon. Member for Nipawin and the second at 10:08 a.m., for which I thank the Hon. Members.

I refer all Hon. Members to Rule 17(3) which states:

Notices of Motion for 'Priority of Debate' to discuss a matter of urgent public importance shall be recognized in the order in which such notices were received by the Clerk.

The Notice received from the Hon. Member for Nipawin must be considered first.

I have reviewed this Notice very carefully with public importance, urgency and provincial jurisdiction considerations in mind. I believe this matter is important enough for the Assembly, if it wishes, to set aside its agenda in order to debate this topic.

Mr. Speaker put the question: 'Has the Hon. Member leave to proceed?'

Objection being raised under Rule 17(7) and 22 Members having risen in their places in support of the motion, Mr. Speaker called upon the Hon. Member for Nipawin to proceed.

Moved by Mr. Collver, seconded by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle):

That the matter of the declaration today of the Supreme Court of Canada that the provisions of Bill 42 are Ultra Vires of provincial jurisdiction, the People of Saskatchewan could be required to repay to the oil industry a sum approximating a half billion dollars. The People of Saskatchewan should not be required to repay this money to the Oil Industry. Any attempt by the Government of Saskatchewan to rectify retroactively this extremely urgent matter will be attacked by the Oil Industry as an attempt to do indirectly that which cannot be done directly be given Priority of Debate under Rule 17.

A debate arising, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings.

At 5:00 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

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

Return Nos. 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 80, 81, 82, 83, and 84.

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

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.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Malone:

That the following words be added to the motion:

that this Assembly has no confidence in the government and condemns it for its failure in the Speech from the Throne to:

- (1) take any action whatsoever to halt the rising violent crime rate in the Province of Saskatchewan and to improve the quality of the administration of justice in this province;
- (2) halt the growth of the government bureaucracy and improve the efficiency of existing government departments, agencies, boards, commissions and crown corporations;
- (3) include any proposals for dealing with the problems and the concerns confronting our Indian and Metis people;
- (4) provide any means to protect the people of Saskatchewan from the rise in the cost of living caused to a large extent by increases in

rates charged by crown corporations for services provided to the people of Saskatchewan.

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. 1) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 23, 1976 on the motion of Mr. Cameron showing:

(1) The names and dates of the barristers and solicitors who have resigned from the Department of the Attorney General since January 1, 1976 to date. (2) The reasons for the resignations in each case. (3) The names of the barristers and solicitors who have been hired to replace these individuals and the dates in each case.

(Sessional Paper No. 41)

Return (No. 29) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Ham, showing:

(1) A list of those government departments that are required to table a formal annual report in the 1976-77 Session. (2) The total cost of printing and binding each of these reports. (3) The total cost of printing and binding the 1977 Budget Speech.

(Sessional Paper No. 42)

The Assembly adjourned at 8:51 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Friday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

10:00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS:

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

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

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- (3) include any proposals for dealing with the problems and the concerns confronting our Indian and Metis people;
- (4) provide any means to protect the people of Saskatchewan from the rise in the cost of living caused to a large extent by increases in rates charged by crown corporations for services provided to the people of Saskatchewan.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Mr. Lange, 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 Department of Co-operation and Co-operative Development for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 43)

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

Return (No. 3) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 26, 1977 on the motion of Miss Clifford, showing:

- (1) Whether any benefits have been paid to families under the Family Income Plan where, after receiving year end information, the said families were determined ineligible for all or part of the benefits paid to them.
- (2) If so, (a) the number of outstanding families that were determined ineligible for all or part of the benefits paid to them, and (b) the amount of outstanding benefits as related to the families in (a) above.

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The Assembly adjourned at 12:55 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Monday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

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

By Mr. Wiebe—Of William Redekopp of Herbert, Saskatchewan, and two others.

By Mr. Baker—Of The Royal Trust Company and Royal Trust Corporation of Canada.

By Mr. Lane (Saskatoon-Sutherland)—Of Bruderthal Church of Saskatchewan of the District of Langham.

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:

That in view of:

- (a) the mineral tax and royalty surcharge provisions of Part I of The Oil and Gas Conservation Stabilization and Development Act 1973 having been ruled unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of Canada despite the assurances by the Attorney-General that such Act was lawfully enacted;
- (b) the Government intends to introduce into the Assembly a new Bill, which if proved unconstitutional, would be ruinous to Saskatchewan and the need therefore for reliable and accurate legal advice on the constitutional aspects of that bill

that this Assembly, having lost confidence in the Attorney-General and his legal Advisors request the Premier to appoint a new Attorney-General for Saskatchewan.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

A notice regarding this matter proposed for Priority of Debate under Rule 17 was received in the Clerk's Office at 10:00 o'clock a.m. for which I thank the Hon. Member.

I have interpreted the last paragraph of the notice as being the subject matter for Priority of Debate. The background of this matter as stated in paragraph (a) was debated by this Assembly on November 23, 1977 and therefore cannot be raised again. See Rule 17(10)(c).

Paragraph (b) of the notice, again as background, is hypothetical based on legislation which has not been introduced in this Assembly.

Since the Assembly has already debated the matter of the Ruling of the Supreme Court of Canada and has debated the solution offered in the notice and the Assembly still has a Special Order presently before it where these matters may legitimately be debated further, I rule that this matter raised by the Hon. Member for Regina South is out of order.

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

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.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Malone:

That the following words be added to the motion:

that this Assembly has no confidence in the government and condemns it for its failure in the Speech from the Throne to:

- (1) take any action whatsoever to halt the rising violent crime rate in the Province of Saskatchewan and to improve the quality of the administration of justice in this province;
- (2) halt the growth of the government bureaucracy and improve the efficiency of existing government departments, agencies, boards, commissions and crown corporations;
- (3) include any proposals for dealing with the problems and the concerns confronting our Indian and Metis people;
- (4) provide any means to protect the people of Saskatchewan from the rise in the cost of living caused to a large extent by increases in rates charged by crown corporations for services provided to the people of Saskatchewan.

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

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Order in Council under the authority of The Forest Act, R.S.S. 1965, c.49, s.5(2), p.652, dated June 1, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 45)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:46 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 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 William Redekopp of Herbert, Saskatchewan, and two others, praying for an Act to change the name of Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan to 'The Saskatchewan Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches'.

Of The Royal Trust Company and Royal Trust Corporation of Canada, praying for an Act to substitute Royal Trust Corporation of Canada for The Royal Trust Company in respect of trusts, trust deeds, wills and other matters.

Of Bruderthal Church of Saskatchewan of the District of Langham, praying for an Act to amend its Act of incorporation to change the name of the corporate body from Bruderthal Church of Saskatchewan to Langham Evangelical Bible Church.

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

Bill No. 29—An Act to amend The Public Service Superannuation Act.

(Mr. Merchant)

Bill No. 30—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Bill of Rights Act. (Mr. Merchant)

Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Fair Employment Practices Act.

(Mr. Merchant)

Bill No. 32—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission Act, 1972.

(Mr. Merchant)

Before the Orders of the Day, a Point of Order was raised by the Hon. Member for Regina South to the effect that the Member for Cutknife-Lloydminster made unparliamentary remarks about the Supreme Court of Canada. Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

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

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 thankyour Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present Session.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Malone:

That the following words be added to the motion:

that this Assembly has no confidence in the government and condemns it for its failure in the Speech from the Throne to:

- (1) take any action whatsoever to halt the rising violent crime rate in the Province of Saskatchewan and to improve the quality of the administration of justice in this province;
- (2) halt the growth of the government bureaucracy and improve the efficiency of existing government departments, agencies, boards, commissions and crown corporations;
- (3) include any proposals for dealing with the problems and the concerns confronting our Indian and Metis people;
- (4) provide any means to protect the people of Saskatchewan from the rise in the cost of living caused to a large extent by increases in rates charged by crown corporations for services provided to the people of Saskatchewan.

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

YEAS

Malone	Anderson	Birkbeck
Wiebe	McMillan	Ham
Merchant	Clifford	Berntson
MacDonald	Coliver	Katzman
Penner	Larter	Lane(Sa-Su)
Cameron	Lane(Qu'Ap)	, ,

NAYS

Blakeney Pepper Thibault Romanow Messer Snyder Byers Kowalchuk Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy	Mostoway Banda Whelan Kwasnica Dyck McNeill Feschuk Faris Rolfes Cowley	Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Nelson(Yktn) Allen Koskie Johnson Thompson Lusney
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The debate continuing on the motion, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Robbins, adjourned.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

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

Annual Report of the Department of Government Services for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 46)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:40 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Order of the Day being called for the introduction of the following Bill, it was dropped:

A Bill to amend The Department of Finance Act.

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. 40—An Act to establish the Department of Revenue, Supply and Services.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 43—An Act respecting Elementary and Secondary Education in Saskatchewan.

(Hon. Mr. Faris)

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation 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. 33—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Property Improvement Grant Act, 1972.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

Bill No. 35—An Act to amend The Credit Union Act, 1972. (Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act.

(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act. (Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Hospital Revenue Act, 1966. (Hon. Mr. Robbins)

Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act, 1968.

(Hon. Mr. Cowley)

Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act.

(Hon. Mr. Shillington)

Bill No. 42—An Act to amend The Purchasing Act, 1974. (Hon. Mr. Shillington)

Questions (Nos. 23 and 26) on the Orders of the Day, asked by Mr. Ham, were according to Order, referred to the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

The Order of the Day being called for the following Question (No. 24), under Rule 35(2), it was ordered that the said Question stand as a Notice of Motion for Return (Debatable):

By Mr. Ham, for a Return (No. 86) showing:

Whether the Department of Highways will be installing proper lighting and a pedestrian overpass on the Trans Canada Highway freeway section through Swift Current in 1978. If so, the projected commencement and completion date of the overpass and lighting.

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

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

Blakeney
Pepper Smishek
Smishek
Romanow
Messer
Snyder
Byers
Baker
Lange
Kowalchuk
Matsalla

Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda Whelan Dyck Feschuk Faris Rolfes Cowley

Shillington Vickar Skoberg Nelson(Yktn) Allen Koskie Johnson Thompson Lusney

Tchorzewski

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NAYS

Malone
Wiebe
Merchant
MacDonald
Penner
Cameron

Anderson Stodalka McMillan Clifford Collver Larter Bailey Lane(Qu'Ap) Birkbeck Ham Katzman Lane(Sa-Su)

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On motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Robbins:

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. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Robbins:

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.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Report of the Attorney General pursuant to Section 24 of The Police Act for the 1976-77 fiscal year.

(Sessional Paper No. 47')

Annual Report of the Law Foundation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 48)

Returns and Papers Ordered

The following Questions (Nos. 20, 22, 25, and 27) on the Orders of the Day, were passed by the Assembly as Orders for Returns, under Rule 35(3), and Orders of the Assembly were issued to the proper officers, accordingly, viz.—

By Mr. Ham, for a Return (No. 87) showing:

The name of the person or firm that had the contract for cutting the grass on Highway No. 1 property between Regina and Moose Jaw during the summer of 1977; (a) the cost per mile; (b) the total cost in 1977.

By Mr. Ham, for a Return (No. 88) showing:

The number of highway projects that were started in the 1977 program to date but were not completed; (a) the reason they were not completed; (b) the cost per mile of those completed.

By Mr. Ham, for a Return (No. 89) showing:

Whether Sask Tel will commence billing telephone subscribers by means of printing on the bill the time the caller used on long distance calls; (a) If so when; (b) If not, why not.

By Mr. Ham, for a Return (No. 90) showing:

In 1977, up to November 1, 1977: (a) The number of people that visited Cypress Hills Provincial Park; (b) The number of people that could not be accommodated; (c) The number of complaints that were lodged with the officials over park facilities; (d) The categories of complaints and the number of complaints in each category; (e) The number of people that were refused accommodation by park officials, if any, and the reasons for refusal.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:39 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, December 1, 1977

2:00 o'clock p.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. 45—An Act to amend The Land Bank Act, 1972.
(Mr. Wiebe)

Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Marriage Act.
(Hon. Mr. Robbins)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On November 17, 1977 the Member for Saskatoon Sutherland made unparliamentary remarks about two other Members which he subsequently withdrew. (Page 26 and 27 of *Debates and Proceedings)*

On November 21st (page 59) the Member for Regina South drew my attention to the fact that the withdrawal of unparliamentary terms by the Member of Saskatoon Sutherland did not include withdrawal of the following words which were uttered on November 17:

'We have two Members now in the Liberal Caucus who have sought and won the nomination for their parties in a federal riding. Now what possible reason could they have to sit in these Chambers except that they still want money and that they want to use these Chambers as a sounding board to kick off their federal election campaign? Money and publicity '

On November 21st I undertook to examine the matter further and report later.

Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, Fourth Edition (Cit. 155) clearly states that 'the imputation of false or unavowed motives' are unparliamentary and I would therefore ask the Member from Saskatoon Sutherland to withdraw the remarks herein referred to.

Mr. Lane (Saskatoon-Sutherland) thereupon withdrew the said remarks.

The following Motion for Return (Not Debatable) on the Orders of the Day was transferred to the Motions for Returns (Debatable) classification:

Return (No. 85).

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle), adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 40—An Act to establish the Department of Revenue, Supply and Services—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 37—An Act to amend The Education and Health 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.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Hospital Revenue Act, 1966—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 35—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. Byers: That Bill No. 1—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Whelan: That Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Sale of Training Courses 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. Whelan: That Bill No. 6—An Act to amend The Collection Agents Act, 1968—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. 28—An Act to amend The Community Capital Fund Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act, 1976—be now read a second time.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Lusney, 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 Credit Reporting Agencies Act, 1972.

Bill No. 27—An Act to repeal The Municipal Road Assistance Authority Act, 1966.

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. 56) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

- (1) The guidelines or terms of reference given by any Minister, department, agency or crown corporation to Roger Carter and-or members of the Carter Commission respecting the no fault reparations proposals.
- (2) The date or dates thereof.

(Sessional Paper No. 49)

Return (No. 74) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated May 10, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

Whether SEDCO or the Department of Industry and Commerce or any other department or agency of government owns or controls land in the City of Moose Jaw which has been sold or let or otherwise placed at the disposal or use of a company establishing briquette manufacturing plant in Moose Jaw and if so: (a) the legal description of such land (b) the assessed value thereof. (Sessional Paper No. 50)

Return (No. 8) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Wiebe, showing:

- (1) For the fiscal year 1977-78, to date, whether any crown land has been sold by the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture to: (a) individuals; (b) co-ops; (c) corporations; (d) local governments.
- (2) If so: (a) the total acreage involved; (b) the total number of cultivation leases sold; (c) the total acreage of leases sold under (b); (d) the total number of sales of uncultivated land; and (e) the total acreage of land sold under (d).

 (Sessional Paper No. 51)

Return (No. 9) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Wiebe, showing:

In the 292 Rural Municipalities and 9 Local Improvement Districts in the Province of Saskatchewan as of November 1, 1977:

- (1) The total acreage of crown land administered by the Department of Agriculture and not held by the Land Bank Commission;
- (2) Of the acreage shown in (1) (a) the number of acres under cultivation leases (b) the number of acres under grazing leases (c) the number of individuals holding leases (d) the number of community pasture holding leases; (3) Whether any of the above land will be turned over to the Land Bank Commission. (Sessional Paper No. 52)

Return (No. 51) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. MacDonald, showing:

- (1) The value of each share held by the Government of Saskatchewan in Lamb Processors Co-operative Limited at the date of purchase.
- (2) The present value of each share. (Sessional Paper No. 53)

Return (No. 74) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Wiebe, showing:

- (1) The total acreage of cultivated and pasture land presently under irrigation in Saskatchewan.
- (2) Of that total the amount that is: (a) cultivated land (i) privately owned (ii) under provincial control (iii) under federal control; (b) pasture land
- (i) privately owned (ii) under provincial control (iii) under federal control. (Sessional Paper No. 54)

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

Annual Report of the Department of Northern Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977. (Sessional Paper No. 55)

Annual Report of The Transportation Agency of Saskatchewan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977. (Sessional Paper No. 56)

Annual Report of the Municipal Road Assistance Authority for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977. (Sessional Paper No. 57)

The Assembly adjourned at 4:52 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Friday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

10:00 o'clock a.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. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

(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. 48-An Act to amend The Wills Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Intestate Succession Act.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Messer: That Bill No. 24—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.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Property Improvement Grant Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 44—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. Penner, adjourned.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Cowley: That Bill No. 2—An Act to amend The Cemeteries 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. Shillington: That Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's 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. Shillington: That Bill No. 42—An Act to amend The Purchasing 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 referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

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. 3—An Act to amend The Guarantee Companies Securities Act.

Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act, 1968.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan-be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax 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. Byers: That Bill No. 1—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act-be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Community Capital Fund Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Skoberg, 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:

Annual Report of the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan for the year ended June 30, 1977. (Sessional Paper No. 58)

The Assembly adjourned at 12:30 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Monday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Order of the Day being called for the following Question (No. 29), it was ordered that the said Question stand as a Notice of Motion for Return (Debatable):

By Mr. MacDonald, for a Return (No. 93) showing:

(a) The name of all oil companies that have paid taxes under Bill 42 from January 1, 1974, through either the mineral income tax or the royalty surcharge under that legislation. (b) The amount each company paid under the mineral income tax of Bill 42. (c) The amount each company paid under the royalty surcharge of Bill 42.

The following Motion for Return (Not Debatable) on the Orders of the Day was transferred to the Motions for Returns (Debatable) classification:

Return No. 91.

Collver Larter Bailey

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

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

The question being put, the vote was tied on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Lane (Qu'Ap) Birkbeck Berntson	Katzman Wipf Thatcher	— 9
NAYS		

Malone	MacDonald	Stodalka
Wiebe	Cameron	McMillan
Merchant	Anderson	Clifford

Mr. Speaker, under Rule 21(2), cast his vote against the motion and stated his reason to be as follows: to give the Assembly another opportunity of deciding the question. Mr. Speaker referred all Hon.

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Members to *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, Cit. 75(1), p.65.

The debate continuing on the motion, 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. Tchorzewski, a member of the Executive Council:

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Prescription Drug Plan for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 59)

Annual Report of the Department of Health for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 60)

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

Annual Report of the Department of Culture and Youth for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 61)

The Assembly adjourned at 8:30 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Motion for Return (Not Debatable) on the Orders of the Day was transferred to the Motions for Returns (Debatable) classification:

Return No. 92.

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 66) showing:

Of the applications received for rebates under the Farm Cost Reduction Program by the Department of Agriculture for the 1976-77 fiscal year, the total amount in gallons of: (a) purple gas shown on the applications, (b) diesel fuel shown on the applications, (c) propane shown on the applications.

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

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 67) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Sheep Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

Moved by Mr. Wipf: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 5) showing:

A list of all projects under the Department of Northern Saskatchewan with cost overruns for the period of January 1, 1974 to October 31, 1977. (a) The amount of cost overrun on each project.

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

Moved by Mr. Wipf: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 7) showing:

The names of all persons presently employed under contract in the service of the government, including: (a) the agencies by which they are employed; (b) the length of term of contract; (c) the amount of remuneration paid daily, monthly or yearly. A debate arising, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, adjourned.

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

The names and positions held of all persons in the government services who have been issued credit cards which allow them to charge flights on aircraft, chartered or regular flights. (a) The amount charged by each person in the years 1975 to November 1, 1977.

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

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

All Government of Saskatchewan purchases on credit cards for goods and services outside the Province of Saskatchewan for the period of September 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977 inclusive. (a) In each case, state the agency or department, and the person making the purchase and the place where the purchase was made.

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

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

For the period June 1, 1975 to October 31, 1977, the persons under contract to supply personal or other services to any government department, branch, commission, agency or crown corporation, giving in each case: (a) the name of the individual or corporation; (b) the department, branch, commission, agency or crown corporation to whom or with whom the contract was made; (c) the period of commencement; (d) the time of termination or if not completed, anticipated date of termination; (e) the purpose; (f) the cost, or if not completed, the estimated total cost.

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

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 18) showing:

(a) The name, address and type of business of the companies in which SEDCO holds shares; (b) The names of the companies in which SEDCO held shares that: (i) are no longer in business or (ii) are in receivership or (iii) have a receivermanager appointed; (c)

(i) the amount of each loss that has occurred to date and (ii) the name of the company in each case. (d) (i) the number and the total amounts of the loans from SEDCO which are overdue six months or more (ii) the name and address of the companies with the overdue loans.

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

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 19) showing:

(a) The names of the companies or individuals that have received loans from SEDCO from 1970 to date. (b) The number of companies or individuals receiving loans from SEDCO which either discontinued business or closed without paying their debts in full to SEDCO, from 1970 to date. (c) The name, address and type of business engaged in by each of the companies or individuals who did not clear their debts with SEDCO. (d) The amounts of money owing by each company or individual in (c).

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 24) showing:

The studies done, if any, by the Government of Saskatchewan prior to renting space in the new Regina City Hall regarding space requirements including: (a) copies of such studies; (b) any cost estimates shown.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 28) showing:

The agreements entered into between the Government of Saskatchewan or its correctional centres employees and prisoners in the correctional centres since 1971: and (a) dates and copies of such agreements and the criteria used for selecting the prisoner representative.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 30) showing:

The number of Indian and Metis receiving Social Assistance in each of the fiscal years 1974, 1975, 1976, and April 1, 1977 to September 30, 1977.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 31) showing:

Copies of the studies, if any, by the Government of Saskatchewan with regard to instituting minimum performance standards for licensed real estate agents.

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

The Order of the Day being called for Return (No. 32), it was dropped.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 34) showing:

The number of students employed by the Government of Saskatchewan in 1975, 1976, and 1977, the number of summer students, and the names and addresses of such students and salary paid each.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 35) showing:

The number of employees of the Government of Saskatchewan selling land to the Government of Saskatchewan in the year 1976 and legal descriptions and amount paid and the name of the employee in each case.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 36) showing:

The number and names of all government employees who have been given leave of absence to attend educational institutions in each of the years 1974, 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 15, 1977, and the institution each was to attend and the payments made by the government to each employee while the employee was on leave.

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

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 62)

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

Annual Report of the Public Service Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 63)

Report of all Moneys Raised Under the Deferred Charges Act, R.S.S. 1965, c.60, s.7, p.776, during the period April 1, 1976 to March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 64)

Statement of Facts Concerning Temporary Loans for Current Revenue Deficiencies, R.S.S. 1965, c.37, s.35(3), p.457, for the period April 1, 1976 to March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 65)

Statement of Facts Concerning Guarantees Implemented under the Department of Finance Act, R.S.S. 1965, c.37, s.66(2), p. 467 for the period April 1, 1976 to March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 66)

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

Annual Report of the Department of Municipal Affairs for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 67)

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

Orders-in-Council and Regulations under The Water Rights Act, R.S.S. 1965, Chapter 51 and The Water Power Act, R.S.S. 1965, Chapter 52, for the year ended October 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 68)

Annual Report of the Liquor Licensing Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 69)

Annual Report of the Department of Telephones for the calendar year 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 70)

Annual Report of the Department of Highways and Transportation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 71)

Report on The Water Pollution Control Assistance Act, 1969, to March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 72)

Returns and Papers Ordered

Moved by Mr. Bailey: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 53) showing:

The number of people currently employed on provincial ferries who are over the age of 65. (a) The number of employees who have had their contracts terminated in the past year because of their age being 65.

Question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

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

The amount of school operating grants paid by the Provincial Government to each school district, excluding school units, during the years: (a) 1970 (b) 1971 (c) 1972 (d) 1973 (e) 1974 (f) 1975 (g) 1976 (h) 1977 to date.

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

That all the words after the words 'of school operating' be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

foundation grants paid by the provincial government to school

districts, excluding school units and boards in northern Saskatchewan, during the government's fiscal years of (a) 1970-71 (b) 1971-72 (c) 1972-73 (d) 1973-74 (e) 1974-75 (f) 1975-76 (g) 1976-77 (h) 1977-78 (estimated).

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.

Moved by Mr. Stodalka: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 2) showing:

(1) The total amount of operating grants paid to School Unit Boards by the Department of Education during the fiscal years: (a) 1970-71 (b) 1971-72 (c) 1972-73 (d) 1973-74 (e) 1974-75 (f) 1975-76 (g) 1976-77 (h) 1977-78 to date. (2) The total budgets for the School Unit Boards in Saskatchewan during the fiscal years: (a) 1970-71 (b) 1971-72 (c) 1972-73 (d) 1973-74 (e) 1974-75 (f) 1975-76 (g) 1976-77 (h) 1977-78 to date.

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

That clause '(h)' of part (1) be deleted and '(h) 1977-78 (budgeted).' substituted therefor and that all the words after the words 'The total' in clause (2) be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

'expenditures, exclusive of the amounts of inter-board fee payments, of the school unit boards in Saskatchewan during each of the years: (a) 1970 (b) 1971 (c) 1972 (d) 1973 (e) 1974 (f) 1975 (g) 1976 (h) 1977 budgeted.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Stodalka: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 3) showing:

The total of the budgets of the school districts, excluding the school units, during the years (a) 1970 (b) 1971 (c) 1972 (d) 1973 (e) 1974 (f) 1975 (g) 1976 (h) 1977 to date.

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

That all the words after the word 'The total' be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

'expenditures, exclusive of inter-board fee payments, of the school district boards in Saskatchewan, excluding school units and school boards in northern Saskatchewan, during each of the years: (a) 1970 (b) 1971 (c) 1972 (d) 1973 (e) 1974 (f) 1975 (g) 1976 (h) 1977 (budgeted).'

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.

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

All monies paid out by the Department of Northern Saskatchewan on behalf of Dorothy Petits of Buffalo Narrows, Saskatchewan for the period of January 1, 1976 to October 31, 1977. (a) The purpose for which monies were paid.

Question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

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

The names of persons in the employ of the government who use their own vehicles on government business and are paid a mileage allowance plus mileage whether on government business or not.

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. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 22) showing:

The number of matters appealed by Legal Aid Commission solicitors for the appellant in the years 1975, 1976, to October 1, 1977. (a) The number in each year. (b) The number appealed to each appeal court. (c) The number of successful appeals in each of the years.

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

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

For the fiscal years 1975, 1976 and for the period April 1, 1977 to October 1, 1977.

- (1) Matters appealed by legal aid clinics: (a) the number in each year, (b) the number appealed to each appeal court, (c) the number of successful appeals in each of the years.
- (2) Matters appealed by private solicitors on behalf of the Legal Aid Commission: (a) the number in each year, (b) the number of successful appeals in each year.

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.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 23) showing:

(1) The generic and trade names of all drugs covered under the Drug Plan at (i) inception of the Plan (ii) January 1, 1977 (iii) June 30, 1977 (iv) September 1, 1977. (2) The number of drugs removed from the list of approved drugs, and; (i) the trade and generic names of such drugs and (ii) the reason such drugs were withdrawn. (3) The names of the pharmaceutical manufacturers from which drugs were purchased and the total amount purchased from each from date of commencement of the Drug Plan to September 1, 1977.

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

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

- (1) The number of drugs deleted from the Saskatchewan Formulary and the trade and generic names of such drugs, showing reasons for such deletion: (i) from inception of the Drug Plan to January 1, 1977, and (ii) from January 1, 1977 to July 1, 1977.
- (2) The names of the pharmaceutical manufacturers from which drugs were purchased and the total amount purchased from each for the periods: (i) September 1, 1975 to March 31, 1976, and (ii) April 1, 1976 to March 31, 1977.

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.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 26) showing:

A list of all recreational and educational programs at Saskatchewan Correctional Centre and the Centre at which each program is or was used for each of the years 1966 to November 1, 1977.

Question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 27) showing:

The number of prisoners at Saskatchewan Correctional Centres who were released from incarceration prior to sentence being served (not including release for statutory remission of sentence) in each of the years 1966 to 1976 and the number in 1977 from January 1, 1977 to September 1, 1977. (a) The Correctional Centres from which the prisoners were released.

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

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

The number of prisoners at Saskatchewan Correctional Centres who were granted an early release under Section 36 of the Federal Prisons and Reformatories Act of more than two days (not including release for statutory remission of sentence) in each of the years 1969 to 1976 and the number in 1977 from January 1, 1977 to September 1, 1977. (a) The Correction Centres from which the prisoners were released.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 29) showing:

(a) The number of cases by month investigated by the Verification unit of the Department of Social Services since its establishment to October 1, 1977 (i) The members of the Verification unit,(ii) The qualifications of each member. (b) The number of applications reviewed refused social assistance and the reasons. (c) The number of applications reviewed whose social assistance was increased and the reasons for such increases.

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

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

'(b) The number of cases verified and determined ineligible for all of the benefits they had received. (c) The number of cases verified and determined eligible for more benefits than they had already received.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 33) showing:

The monies paid by the Government of Saskatchewan or any Crown Corporations to law firms in each year 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977. (a) The amounts paid to each law firm. (b) The type of work paid for in each case.

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

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

The names of all barristers and solicitors in private practice retained by the Government of Saskatchewan and its Crown Corporations for the calendar years 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 and from January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977 and the sums paid to them for the legal services rendered.

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

The debate continuing on the motion as amended, 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 4:51 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

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 William Redekopp of Herbert, Saskatchewan, and two others, praying for an Act to change the name of Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan to The Saskatchewan Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches.

Of The Royal Trust Company and Royal Trust Corporation of Canada, praying for an Act to substitute Royal Trust Corporation of Canada for The Royal Trust Company in respect of trusts, trust deeds, wills and other matters.

Of Bruderthal Church of Saskatchewan of the District of Langham, praying for an Act to amend its Act of incorporation to change the name of the corporate body from Bruderthal Church of Saskatchewan to Langham Evangelical Bible Church.

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

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 change the name of Mennonite Brethren Church of Saskatchewan.

(Mr. Wiebe)

Bill No. 02—An Act respecting The Royal Trust Company and Royal Trust Corporation of Canada.

(Mr. Baker)

Bill No. 03—An Act to amend the Incorporating Act of Bruderthal Church of Saskatchewan.

(Mr. Lane (Saskatoon-Sutherland))

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

During Routine Proceedings it was moved by Mr. MacDonald: 'That this Assembly do now adjourn.'

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

YEAS

Malone	Stodalka	Birkbeck
Wiebe	McMillan	Ham
Merchant	Nelson (As-Gr)	Berntson
MacDonald	Clifford	Katzman
Penner	Collver	Wipf
Cameron	Larter	Lane (Sa-Su)
Anderson	Lane (Qu'Ap)	, ,

NAYS

Pepper	Matsalla	Rolfes
Thibault	Robbins	Shillington
Smishek	Mostoway	Skoberg
Messer	Banda	Allen
Snyder	Whelan	Koskie
Baker	Dyck	Johnson
Lange	McNeill	Thompson
Kowalchuk	MacAuley	Lusney

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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. 51—An Act respecting the Registration, Application and Implantation of Animal Identification Marks.

(Hon. Mr. Messer)

The following Bill was 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 Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents. (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:

Return (No. 94).

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—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. Robbins: That Bill No. 40—An Act to establish The Department of Revenue Supply and Services—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs 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.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Report on the administration of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 73)

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

Annual Report of the Department of Education for the year 1976-77.

(Sessional Paper No. 74)

Annual Report of the Department of Continuing Education for the year 1976-77.

(Sessional Paper No. 75)

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

Annual Report of the Human Resources Development Agency for the

fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 76)

Annual Report of the Department of Social Services for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 77)

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

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Oil and Gas Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 78)

Annual Report of the Department of Mineral Resources for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 79)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Mining Development Corporation for the year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 80)

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

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Department of Consumer Affairs for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 81)

Annual Report of the Office of the Rentalsman for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 82)

Annual Report of the Rent Appeal Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 83)

The Assembly adjourned at 4:33 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Community Capital Fund Act, 1974—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Messer: That Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Property Improvement Grant Act, 1972—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 44—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. Romanow: That Bill No. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 1—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 10—An Act respecting the Enforcement of Extra-provincial Custody Orders—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. 11—An Act respecting the Interprovincial Adoption of Subpoenas—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. Romanow: That Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act, 1968—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. 13—An Act to amend The Surrogate Court 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The District Court 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Revised Statutes 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 referred to a Committee of the Whole at the next sitting.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 16—An Act to amend The Court Officials 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Trustee 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 18—An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 19—An Act to amend The Legal Profession 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Administration of Estates of Mentally Disordered Persons 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Police 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Creditors' Relief 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 48—An Act to amend The Wills 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. Romanow: That Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Intestate Succession 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. Tchorzewski: That Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Marriage Act—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. 25—An Act to amend The Urban Municipal Elections Act, 1968—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. 50—An Act to provide for the Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Agricultural Incentives Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

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

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 51—An Act respecting the Registration, Application and Implantation of Animal Identification Marks—be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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 Aids to Independent Living Plan for the year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 84)

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

Annual Report of The Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 85)

Annual Report of The Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 86)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 87)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Agricultural Research Foundation for the year ending June 30, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 88)

Annual Report of the Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 89)

Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Hog Marketing Commission for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1976.

(Sessional Paper No. 90)

Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the twelve months ended March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 91)

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

Return (No. 51) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 19, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

(1) The criteria used in bestowing Q.C.'s in Saskatchewan and; (2) the legal and judicial groups that are consulted as to which persons ought

not to be offered Q.C.'s.

(Sessional Paper No. 92)

Return (No. 67) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated April 12, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Cameron, showing:

Whether the position of Deputy Attorney General has been advertised since the resignation of Mr. Ken Lysyk. If so, (a) the date and the place and the salary level (b) the number of applications that have been received.

(Sessional Paper No. 93)

Return (No. 77) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Bailey, showing:

The total cost of the construction of the teepees located on the south shore of Diefenbaker Lake and the Saskatchewan Landing Bridge on No. 4 Highway.

(Sessional Paper No. 94)

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

Orders in Council under the authority of The Mineral Resources Act, R.S.S. 1965, c.50, s.10(2).

(Sessional Paper No. 95)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:07 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Friday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

10:00 o'clock a.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. 52—An Act to amend The Department of the Environment Act, 1972.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Penner: That this debate be now adjourned'.

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

	YEAS Nil		-0
	NAYS		
Collver Larter Bailey Lane (Qu'Ap)	Birkbeck Ham Berntson	Katzman Wipf Lane (Sa-Su)	
			-10

The debate continuing, at 1:00 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings.

At 1:00 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Monday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 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 provide for Certain Rights of Blind Persons. (Mr. Feschuk)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

A Point of Order was raised on December 8, 1977 by the Hon. Member for Regina South regarding remarks made by the Hon. Member for Saskatoon Centre as found on p.712 of the *Debates and Proceedings*. I undertook to examine the record to determine whether the words transgressed the rules of order governing debate. While remarks in the nature of a personal attack on a Member have always been considered out of order in this Assembly, it has been the practice to draw a distinction between these personal imputations on the one hand and general accusations about the orientation of particular groups or parties on the other. I find support for this distinction in *Sir Erskine May's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, (Eighteenth Edition, p.419) which states:

'Expressions which are unparliamentary when applied to individuals are not always so considered when applied to a whole party.'

I refer all Hon. Members to a ruling of the Chair, dated March 14, 1966, *Journals of Saskatchewan*, p.136 which stated:

'It is not the function of the Chair to consider the accuracy or otherwise of statements or accusations made by one member about other members, but to decide in the first instance whether they are singular and personal or broad and general.'

In my view the Statements of the Member for Saskatoon-Centre were not personal and were in the nature of debate.

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

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Skoberg be substituted for that of Mr. Allen on the list of Members comprising the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Miss Clifford, in amentment thereto:

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

'this Bill not now be read a second time but that the Government be requested to bring before the Assembly two separate bills.

(a) One to provide for the retention by effective means of the monies

collected under Bill 42 to the extent reasonably possible including provisions allowing the Government to negotiate with those producers who paid taxes under Bill 42 with a view to drawing from the producers written undertakings waiving all claims to taxes paid.

(b) Another bill to provide for taxing of revenue from the production of oil in the future at such explicit rates of tax as will ensure a fair return to the province while maintaining a healthy and productive atmosphere for increasing production exploration and reserves in Saskatchewan with power to the Government to seek agreement from the Federal Government to refer such bill directly to the Supreme Court of Canada for a judgment on its constitutional validity.'

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

The Assembly, resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for 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. Robbins: That Bill No. 40—An Act to establish The Department of Revenue Supply and Services—be now read a second time.

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

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Pepper	Kowalchuk	MacAuley	
Thibault	Matsalla	Feschuk	
Bowerman	Robbins	Tchorzewski	
Smishek	Mostoway	Nelson (Yktn)	
Romanow	Banda	Allen	
Messer	Whelan	Koskie	
Snyder	Kaeding	Johnson	
Byers	Dyck	Lusney	
	NAYS		27
Malone	McMillan	Ham	
Wiebe	Nelson (As-Gr)	Berntson	
MacDonald	Clifford	Katzman	
Cameron	Larter	Wipf	
Anderson	Lane (Qu'Ap)	Lane (Sa-Su)	
Stodalka	Birkbeck	Thatcher	

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. Robbins: That Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Hospital Revenue Act, 1966—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. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Community Capital 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.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Property Improvement Grant 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. Messer: That Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 1—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act—be now read a second time.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski: That Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Marriage 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. 9—An Act to amend The Farm Security 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. 37—An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act.

Bill No. 35—An Act to amend The Credit Union Act. 1972.

Bill No. 36—An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act.

Bill No. 5—An Act to amend The Sale of Training Courses Act, 1972.

Bill No. 6-An Act to amend The Collection Agents Act, 1968.

Bill No. 7—An Act to amend The Credit Reporting Agencies Act, 1972.

Bill No. 10—An Act respecting the Enforcement of Extraprovincial Custody Orders.

Bill No. 12—An Act to amend The Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act, 1968.

Bill No. 13—An Act to amend The Surrogate Court Act.

Bill No. 14—An Act to amend The District Court Act.

Bill No. 15—An Act to amend The Revised Statutes Act, 1974.

Bill No. 16-An Act to amend The Court Officials Act.

Bill No. 17—An Act to amend The Trustee Act.

Bill No. 18—An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act.

Bill No. 19—An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act.

Bill No. 20—An Act to amend The Administration of Estates of Mentally Disordered Persons Act.

.Bill No. 21—An Act to amend The Police Act, 1974.

Bill No. 22—An Act to amend The Creditors' Relief Act.

Bill No. 48-An Act to amend The Wills Act.

Bill No. 49—An Act to amend The Intestate Succession Act.

On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 11—An Act respecting the Interprovincial Adoption of Subpoenas.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

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

Financial Statements of the Administrator of Estates for the year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 96)

The Assembly adjourned at 9:46 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 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. 54—An Act to amend The Condominium Property Act, 1968. (Hon. Mr. Cowley)

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 37) showing:

The agency of the Government of Saskatchewan or group of individuals of the Government that co-ordinated the participation of Crown Corporations in the Government promotion known as the 'Saskatchewn Family of Crown Corporations' and the names of the members of the co-ordinating group or agency.

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

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

The Crown Corporation which co-ordinated the series of advertisements with respect to the 'Saskatchewan Family of Crown Corporations' and the names of the members of the Crown Corporation responsible for the co-ordination.'

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

The debate continuing on the motion as amended, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 38) showing:

The amount budgeted by each Crown Corporation to the government promotion of the 'Saskatchewan Family of Crown Corporations' and the amount paid by each Crown Corporation to November 15, 1977.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 39) showing:

The origin and destination, the time and place of departure and arrival of each flight of government aircraft charged to the Executive Council in each of the years 1975, 1976, and January

1, 1977 to November 1, 1977 and the purpose of each flight and the passengers aboard each flight.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 42) showing:

The number of non-government employees who used government owned vehicles in each of the years 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977 and the reason for such usage.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 43) showing:

The names of companies or individuals or partnerships contracting with the Government of Saskatchewan for the supply of personal services to which were assigned or leased government vehicles or the names of shareholders of such vehicles who were assigned or leased government vehicles.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 44) showing:

The amount budgeted and spent to November 15, 1977 for the government promotion of the Saskatchewan Family of Crown Corporations and the advertising agency or agencies who produced or placed the advertisements and the amount budgeted for on each ad agency and the amount paid to each agency as of November 15, 1977.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 45) showing:

The rate per mile charged the Executive Council by the Central Vehicle Agency for use of each of the government aircrafts in each of the years 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 47) showing:

The names of companies or individuals or partnerships under contract with the Government of Saskatchewan to supply personal services and copies of each contract, and if such contract is verbal, the dates of each contract and the amount of payment.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 49) showing:

The amounts paid by the Government of Saskatchewan to any real estate companies in 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to September 30, 1977 and the work done for each payment and the project for which the work was done or the transaction giving rise to the payment.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 50) showing:

The payments made, if any, outside Saskatchewan for repairs, gas or maintenance, etc. for government vehicles from January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977. (a) The number and charges made out of Saskatchewan for repairs, gas, oil, and maintenance. (b) The employees who were assigned to each of the vehicles at the time of such maintenance or repairs or gas or oil purchase.

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

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 52) showing:

The number of mailing lists supplied by the Government of Saskatchewan to individuals or groups in each of the years 1974, 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977. (a) The names of the individuals or groups that such lists were supplied and the source of each list. (b) The amount charged or paid for each list.

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

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 54) showing:

(1) The names of the newspapers, radio and television stations which have done advertising for the Government of Saskatchewan, its Crown Corporations and Departments during the last year. (2) (a) The cost of this advertising to the Government per month; (b) the cost of production per month. (3) The cost of this advertising to each Crown Corporation per month for the last year. (4) The cost of this advertising to each Government Department per month for the last year. (5) The names and addresses of each of the characters or actors in each of the television advertisements shown in Saskatchewan in the last year.

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

Moved by Mr. Larter: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 81) showing:

The total monies spent by Saskoil in each of the years 1976, 1977, and January 1 to October 30, 1977. (a) The total spent, proportionately, on administration for Saskatchewan and Alberta. (b) The total spent by Saskoil on the acquisition of properties in Saskatchewan and Alberta. (c) The total spent by Saskoil on the direct exploration in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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

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

The total monies spent by Saskoil in each of the fiscal years 1975-76, 1976-77 and 1977-78 to October 31, 1977: (a) for each of the three fiscal years, the total spent, proportionately, on administration for Saskatchewan and Alberta; (b) for each of the three fiscal years, the total spent by Saskoil on the acquisition of properties, including land in Saskatchewan and Alberta; (c) for each of the three fiscal years, the total spent by Saskoil on direct exploration in Saskatchewan and Alberta.'

Question on the amendment put and agreed to.

The debate continuing on the motion as amended, it was on motion of Mr. McMillan, adjourned.

Moved by Mr. Larter: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 82) showing:

The total production in barrels per day by Saskoil and (a) the total production per day in barrels from reserves purchased in Saskatchewan and Alberta by Saskoil; and (b) the total production per day in barrels from discoveries in Saskatchewan and Alberta by Saskoil.

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

Moved by Mr. Ham: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 86) showing:

Whether the Department of Highways will be installing proper lighting and a pedestrian overpass on the Trans Canada Highway freeway section through Swift Current in 1978. If so, the projected commencement and completion date of the overpass and lighting.

A debate arising and a Point of Order having been raised by the Hon. Member for Saskatoon Riversdale that the motion was out of order on the grounds that it was hypothetical, the Speaker deferred his ruling.

The debate continuing, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow, adjourned.

Returns and Papers Ordered

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 68) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Poultry Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

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

'(1) The total number of FarmStart loans and grants approved to October 31st, 1977 for the development of poultry production units; (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established, (b) the number of existing units that were expanded, (c) the average amount of each loan and grant approved, (d) the number of loans in arrears in payments on October 31st, 1977, (e) the number that have ceased operation as of October 31st, 1977.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 69) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Feed Lot Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

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

'(1) The total number of FarmStart loans and grants approved to October 31st, 1977 for the development of feed lot production units; (2) Of this total, (a) the average amount of each loan and grant, (b) the number of loans that were in arrears in payments as of October 31st, 1977, (c) the number that have ceased operation as of October 31st, 1977.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 70) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Dairy Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

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

'(1) The total number of FarmStart loans and grants approved to October 31st, 1977 for the development of dairy production units. (2) Of that total, (a) the average amount of each loan and grant, (b) the number of loans that were in arrears in payments as of October 31st, 1977, (c) the number that have ceased operation as of October 31st, 1977.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 71) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Cow Calf Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

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

'(1) The total number of FarmStart loans and grants approved to October 31st, 1977 for the development of beef production units; (2) Of this total, (a) the average amount of each loan and grant, (b) the number of loans that were in arrears in payments as of October 31st, 1977, (c) the number that have ceased operation as of October 31st, 1977.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Wiebe: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 72) showing:

(1) The total of Farm Start Loans made to individuals to date for the establishment of Hog Production Units. (2) Of that total: (a) the number of new units established (b) the number of existing units that were expanded (c) the average amount of the loan (d) the number in arrears in payments (e) the number that have ceased operation.

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

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

'(1) The total number of FarmStart loans and grants approved to October 31st, 1977 for the development of hog production units; (2) Of that total, (a) the average amount of each loan and grant, (b) the number of loans that were in arrears in payments as of October 31st, 1977, (c) the number that have ceased operation as of October 31st, 1977.

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.

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 40) showing:

The Treasury Board approved vehicle establishments of each government department, agency, commission or crown corporation in each of the years 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977.

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. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 41) showing:

The number of vehicles actually in service and leased or assigned to each government department, agency, commission or crown corporation by month in each of the years 1974, 1975, 1976, and January 1, 1977 to November 1, 1977.

Question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 55) showing:

(1) The cost of electricity per K.W.H. to commercial and residential users in 1970. (2) The cost of natural gas per t.c.f. to commercial and residential users in 1970. (3) (a) The price changes that have taken place since 1970 to the present date in both (1) and (2); (b) the dates. (4) The price of natural gas per t.c.f. to residential users in Maple Creek, Saskatchewan. (5) The price of natural gas per t.c.f. that SPC is charging to the City of Medicine Hat, Alberta.

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

(1) By deleting 't.c.f.' where it appears in the second, fifth and seventh lines and substituting'm.c.f.' and (2) by deleting all the words after the word 'Saskatchewan' in the sixth line.

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.

Moved by Mr. Katzman: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 60) showing:

The number of averaging orders regarding working conditions (hours) renewed each year without the approval of the employee, or their union or representative, or without the approval of management for the years: 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 by the Department of Labour.

Question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Katzman: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 61) showing:

The number of boilers (heating) and the size of each licenced by the Department of Labour.: (a) 1966 showing Steam 1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up, horsepower; Hot Water 1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up, horsepower; (b) 1971 showing Steam 1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up, horsepower; Hot Water 1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up, horsepower; (c) 1976 showing Steam 1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up, horsepower; Hot Water 1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up, horsepower.

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

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

'inspected by the Department of Labour according to horsepower ratings (1 to 25, 25 to 100, 100 and up); the total number of boilers in use according to horsepower ratings; and the number of inspection certificates issued in the fiscal year 1976-77.'

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.

Moved by Mr. Katzman: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 62) showing:

The number of refrigeration plants in use today licenced by the Department of Labour, Refrigeration Branch: (a) over 50 tons; (b) from 25 to 49 tons; (c) up to 24 tons.

Question being put, it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Katzman: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 63) showing:

The number of investigations by the labour standards branch into wage and benefits which have been undertaken or completed without signed complaints (routine) in the years: 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 to date: and the number of investigations by the labour standards branch into wages and benefits which have been undertaken or completed with signed complaints (special) in the years: 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 to date.

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

That in the third line the word 'fiscal' be inserted before the word 'years'; in the third and fourth lines delete the following '1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 to date:' and substitute therefor: '1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74, 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77, and 1977-78 to date:'; in the seventh line the word 'fiscal' be inserted before the word 'years'; in the seventh and eighth lines delete the following '1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 to date.' and substitute therefor: '1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74, 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77, and 1977-78 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.

Moved by Mr. Larter: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 80) showing:

(1) Whether the former general manager and exploration

manager, namely Cliff Berg and John Knebles, are being remunerated in any way today by Saskoil or any of its subsidiaries in Alberta after their separation from employment. If so, the amount of monies in fees and remuneration, at or since separation, that have been paid to Cliff Berg and John Knebles. (2) Whether Kywan is an Alberta subsidiary of Saskoil.

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

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

- '(1) Whether Clifden Berg and John Knebles have been remunerated in any way by Saskoil or any of its subsidiaries in Alberta after their separation from employment. If so, the amount of monies in fees and remuneration, at or since separation, that have been paid.
- (2) Whether Kywan is an Alberta subsidiary of Saskoil.

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.

Moved by Mr. Larter: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 83) showing:

Regarding the employees employed by Saskoil: (a) the number of geologists; (b) the number of geophysicists; (c) the number of employees who are Saskatchewan people; (d) the years of experience in Saskatchewan of geologists and geophysicists; (e) the number of seismologists; (f) the number of landmen; and (g) the total number of employees employed by Saskoil.

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

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

'Regarding the employees employed by Saskoil as of November 1, 1977: (a) the number of geologists; (b) the number of geophysicists; (c) the number of employees born in Saskatchewan; (d) the number of employees residing in Saskatchewan; (e) the years of experience in Saskatchewan of geologists and geophysicists; (f) the number of seismologists; (g) the number of landmen; and (h) the total number of employees employed by Saskoil.'

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 4:58 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

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2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle) asked leave to introduce the following Motion:

That notwithstanding Rule 3, this Assembly shall, commencing Friday, December 16 and each sitting day thereafter meet at 10:00 o'clock a.m. until 10:00 o'clock p.m. and there shall be recesses from 12:00 o'clock p.m. to 2:00 o'clock p.m. and 5:00 o'clock p.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m.

Unanimous consent having been requested, it was not granted.

The following Motion for Return (Not Debatable) on the Orders of the Day was transferred to the Motions for Returns (Debatable) classification:

Return (No. 95).

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Cameron:

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

'this Bill not now be read a second time but that the Government be requested to bring before the Assembly two separate bills:

- (a) One to provide for the retention by effective means of the monies collected under Bill 42 to the extent reasonably possible including provisions allowing the Government to negotiate with those producers who paid taxes under Bill 42 with a view to drawing from the producers written undertakings waiving all claims to taxes paid.
- (b) Another bill to provide for taxing of revenue from the production of oil in the future at such explicit rates of tax as will ensure a fair return to the province while maintaining a healthy and productive atmosphere for increasing production exploration and reserves in Saskatchewan with power to the Government to seek agreement from the Federal Government to refer such bill directly to the Supreme Court of Canada for a judgment on its constitutional validity.'

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): 'That this debate be now adjourned.'

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the grounds that the Member had already adjourned the debate at a previous sitting. Mr. Speaker referred all Hon. Members to *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, (Cit. 165(1) and (7)), p.138.

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Messer: That Bill No. 24—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.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Kaeding: That Bill No. 8—An Act to amend The Agricultural Incentives Act, 1973—be now read a second time.

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

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

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 27-An Act to repeal The Municipal Road Assistance Authority Act, 1966.

On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act, 1976.

At 5:05 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Thursday, December 15, 1977

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On November 29, 1977 the Member for Regina South raised a Point of Order concerning unwarranted attacks upon the Supreme Court of Canada' by the Member for Cutknife-Lloydminster when speaking in this Assembly on November 28, 1977 as follows:

'By deciding against the Government of Saskatchewan the Supreme Court of Canada has thrown its support behind the oil companies and has made it clear that the oil companies are above provincial law. I can't help but feel the final decision made by the Supreme Court was made on philosophical grounds or beliefs, rather than constitutionality.'

While there is a slight variation of wording between the words quoted by the Member for Regina South and the words recorded in the *Debates and Proceedings* under the name of the Member for Cutknife-Lloydminster, I treat the statements as essentially the same for the purposes of this statement.

It is fair and parliamentary to speculate that Supreme Court Judges make decisions using a philosophical basis as well as a constitutional basis. I can recall the appointment of the Chief Justice as well as the recent appointments of the last two Justices being accompanied by generous amounts of public comment from all quarters about whether their philosophies were centralist, federalist or other. Indeed it would probably be impossible to appoint Judges to the Court who lacked a strong philosophical base. I therefore find nothing in the nature of personal attack, censure or imputation in this part of the statement.

In dealing with the first part of the statement! feel I must protect the balance which has to exist between respect for our institutions and full frank and free debate allowed to Members in this Chamber.

However, the Members words when he said '...the Supreme Court has thrown its support behind the oil companies' is of more concern. It is questionable, upon examination, whether the Member for Cutknife-Lloydminster meant that the result of the Supreme Court Decision has been to support the position taken by the oil companies and not support the position taken by the Province of Saskatchewan or whether the intent of the Supreme Court was to support the oil companies and not support the Province of Saskatchewan. The latter would constitute 'an imputation upon a judicial proceeding', and would therefore be unparliamentary. (See Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, Cit. 152(4) and Cit. 149 (j))

In order to conclude the matter I would request the Member for Cutknife-Lloydminster to withdraw any imputations on a judicial proceeding which may have existed in his statement.

Mr. Kwasnica (Cutknife-Lloydminster) thereupon withdrew the said remarks.

A Point of Privilege was raised by the Hon. Member for Quill Lakes to the effect that two Hon. Members, namely the Hon. Members for Qu'Appelle and Thunder Creek had referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections as a 'Kangaroo Court.' The Hon. Member for Quill Lakes argued that such reference was in contempt of the Committee and of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Speaker deferred his ruling.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Cameron:

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

'this Bill not now be read a second time but that the Government be requested to bring before the Assembly two separate bills:

- (a) One to provide for the retention by effective means of the monies collected under Bill 42 to the extent reasonably possible including provisions allowing the Government to negotiate with those producers who paid taxes under Bill 42 with a view to drawing from the producers written undertakings waiving all claims to taxes paid.
- (b) Another bill to provide for taxing of revenue from the production of oil in the future at such explicit rates of tax as will ensure a fair return to the province while maintaining a healthy and productive atmosphere for increasing production exploration and reserves in Saskatchewan with power to the Government to seek agreement from the Federal Government to refer such bill directly to the Supreme Court of Canada for a judgment on its constitutional validity.'

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. McMillan: 'That this debate be now adjourned.'

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

	YEAS		
Malone Wiebe Merchant	MacDonald Penner Anderson	McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford	
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Pepper Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Snyder Byers Kramer Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda Whelan	Kaeding Kwasnica Dyck McNeill Feschuk Faris Rolfes Cowley Shillington Skoberg Nelson (Yktn) Allen	Koskie Johnson Lusney Larter Bailey Lane (Qu'Ap) Birkbeck Ham Katzman Wipf Lane (Sa-Su) Thatcher	

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Penner: 'That this Assembly do now adjourn.'

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the grounds that a Member who has previously moved the adjournment of the debate cannot afterwards move the adjournment of the Assembly during the same debate and cited *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Fourth Edition, Cit. 165(8), p.138.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of Miss Clifford, adjourned.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Byers: That Bill No. 1—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. Kaeding: That Bill No. 51—An Act respecting the Registration, Application and Implantation of Animal Identification Marks-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.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Annual Report of the Department of the Environment for the period ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 97)

The Assembly adjourned at 7:35 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek until Friday at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Regina, Friday, December 16, 1977

10:00 o'clock a.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. 55—An Act to amend The Agricultural Societies Act, 1966. (Hon. Mr. Kaeding)

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

and the proposed amendment thereto moved by Mr. Cameron:

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

'this Bill not now be read a second time but that the Government be requested to bring before the Assembly two separate bills:

- (a) One to provide for the retention by effective means of the monies collected under Bill 42 to the extent reasonably possible including provisions allowing the Government to negotiate with those producers who paid taxes under Bill 42 with a view to drawing from the producers written undertakings waiving all claims to taxes paid.
- (b) Another bill to provide for taxing of revenue from the production of oil in the future at such explicit rates of tax as will ensure a fair return to the province while maintaining a healthy and productive atmosphere for increasing production exploration and reserves in Saskatchewan with power to the Government to seek agreement from the Federal Government to refer such bill directly to the Supreme Court of Canada for a judgment on its constitutional validity.'

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

YEAS

Malone Wiebe Merchant MacDonald Penner Cameron Anderson Stodalka

McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford

NAYS

Blakeney Pepper Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Snyder Byers Lange Matsalla Robbins Mostoway Banda Whelan Kaeding McNeill Feschuk Faris Rolfes Tchorzewski Shillington Skoberg Nelson (Yktn) Allen Koskie
Johnson
Thompson
Lusney
Larter
Bailey
Lane (Qu'Ap)
Birkbeck
Ham
Katzman
Wipf
Lane (Sa-Su)

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The debate continuing on the motion, it was moved by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Stodalka, in amendment thereto:

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

'this House declines to proceed with this Bill until the subject matter thereof has been investigated by the Select Standing Committee on Law Amendments with a view to obtaining the specific levels of taxation that will apply both to the retroactive period and into the future.'

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

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents—be now read a second time.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. McMillan: 'That this debate be now adjourned.'

The question being put, it was negatived.

The debate continuing on the motion, at 1:03 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings.

At 1:03 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Monday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, December 19, 1977

2:00 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. 57—An Act respecting the Production, Manufacture, Sale, Purchase, Transport and Inspection of Animals and Animal Products.

(Hon. Mr. Kaeding)

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 Land Titles Act.
(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On Thursday, December 15, 1977, the Hon. Member for Quill Lakes raised a Point of Privilege to the effect that the Hon. Members for Thunder Creek and Qu'Appelle were in contempt of the Legislative Assembly by referring to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections as a 'Kangaroo Court.'

I refer all Members to the following Citation in *Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, Cit. 108(4), p.98 which states that 'Scandalous charges or imputations directed against Members of a Select Committee are equivalent to libellous charges brought against the House itself' and further in *Sir Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice*, Eighteenth Edition, p.132, which states that 'any disorderly, contumacious or disrespectful conduct in the presence of either House or any committee thereof, whether by strangers present or by persons attending as parties or witnesses, will constitute a contempt.'

It is not the function of the Speaker to decide the question of substance of whether a breach of privilege has in fact been committed but rather it is my duty to determine whether a prima facie case of a breach of privilege has been made out by the Member for Quill Lakes. In my opinion this matter fulfills the conditions of a prima facie case of breach of privilege and I therefore leave the matter in the hands of the Assembly to deal with as it sees fit.

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

That this Assembly requests: (1) that the statements by the Members for Qu'Appelle and Thunder Creek referring to a Committee of the Legislature as a 'Kangaroo Court' be unconditionally withdrawn forthwith; and (2) that the said Members tender apologies to this Assembly in respect of the said statements.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Collver, seconded by Mr. Larter, in amendment thereto:

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

'and that this Assembly also accepts the withdrawal of the letter from E. Berntson, M.L.A. for Souris-Cannington dated November 16, 1977 and that the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections be suspended immediately.'

A Point of Order was raised to the effect that the amendment was out of order because the amendment revived a question which had been previously decided by the Assembly and that the amendment was irrelevant. Mr. Speaker ruled that the amendment was relevant and was a modification of an earlier decision and was not the same question and was thus in order. Mr. Speaker referred all Hon. Members to Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, Fourth Edition, Cit. 148(1) and (2) and Cit. 162.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. Blakeney, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Snyder, in amendment to the amendment:

That all the words after the words 'dated November 16, 1977' be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

'that this Assembly requests the Member for Souris-Cannington to acknowledge to this Assembly that there were no proper grounds for the contents of the said letter and that following receipt of such withdrawal and acknowledgment, the proceedings of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections with respect to the said letter be suspended.'

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

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

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

YEAS

Pepper
Thibault
Bowerman
Smishek
Romanow
Snyder
Byers
Kramer
Lange
Matsalla
Robbins
MacMurchy

Mostoway Kaeding McNeill MacAuley Rolfes Cowley Tchorzewski Vickar Skoberg Nelson (Yktn) Allen Thompson
Lusney
Malone
Wiebe
Merchant
MacDonald
Penner
Cameron
Anderson
McMillan
Nelson (As-Gr)
Clifford

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Collver Larter Bailey Lane (Qu'Ap) Birkbeck Ham Berntson Katzman

Johnson

Wipf Lane (Sa-Su) Thatcher

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Mr. Speaker thereupon requested that the said remarks be withdrawn. Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle) and Mr. Thatcher (Thunder Creek) having refused to withdraw the said remarks, it was moved by the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Robbins:

That the Member for Thunder Creek and the Member for Qu'Appelle, having refused to retract and apologize for their statements that the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections is a 'Kangaroo Court' and thereby having breached the privileges of this House, be suspended from the service of this House for five days.

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

YEAS

Pepper Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Snyder Byers Kramer Lange Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Kaeding McNeill MacAuley Rolfes Cowley Tchorzewski Vickar Skoberg Nelson (Yktn) Allen Johnson

Lusney Malone Wiebe MacDonald Penner Cameron Anderson McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford

Thompson

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Collver Larter Bailey Lane (Qu'Ap) Birkbeck Ham Berntson Katzman Wipf Lane (Sa-Su) Thatcher

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Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following papers were laid upon the Table:

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

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3:

Amendments to the Rules of the Law Society of Saskatchewan.

Return (No. 15) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), showing:

With respect to the Poplar River Power Project: (a) the total estimated cost of the first 300 MW addition to the East Poplar Development; (b) the date it is to become operational.

(Sessional Paper No. 98)

Return (No. 21) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977, on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), showing:

With respect to the thermal power plants for the Poplar River Power Project: (a) the sizes of each (b) the total estimated costs of construction for each; (c) the dates each will become operational.

(Sessional Paper No.99)

Return (No. 20) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 22, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), showing:

The total cost of the Poplar River Power Project to date.

(Sessional Paper No.100)

Return (No. 87) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 30, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Ham, showing:

The name of the person or firm that had the contract for cutting the grass on Highway No. 1 property between Regina and Moose Jaw during the summer of 1977: (a) the cost per mile; (b) the total cost in 1977.

(Sessional Paper No.101)

Return (No. 88) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated November 30, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Ham, showing:

The number of highway projects that were started in the 1977 program to date but were not completed: (a) the reason they were not completed; (b) the cost per mile of those completed.

(Sessional Paper No. 102)

At 10:09 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Tuesday, December 20, 1977

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Bailey asked leave to introduce the following Motion:

That notwithstanding Rule 3, this Assembly shall, on Wednesday, December 21, 1977 meet at 2:00 o'clock p.m. until 10:00 o'clock p.m. and there shall be a recess from 5:00 o'clock p.m. until 7:00 o'clock p.m. and on Thursday, December 22, 1977 meet at 9:00 o'clock a.m. and there shall be a recess from 1:00 o'clock p.m. until 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Unanimous consent having been requested, it was not granted.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

On December 13, 1977, the Hon. Member for Saskatoon Riversdale raised a Point of Order to the effect that Return No. 86 was out of order on the grounds that it was hypothetical. I have reviewed the said Return and note that the information sought is present plans re lighting and a pedestrian overpass. The answer can be based on present plans even though the project, if it is to proceed, will be in the future. A Return would be hypothetical if it were worded in a way to say, if situation A happens, what will the Government do. On the other hand, Return No. 86 is asking for present plans re a project. I find the Return to be in order. I refer all Hon. Members to Returns Nos. 1, 2 and 3 as amended which refers to present budgeted amounts of money for future expenditures. Even though the Returns deal with the future, the information sought is present plans or budgets.

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Cameron, from his place in the Assembly, began to ask 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, the notice of which having been given on December 19, 1977, Mr. Speaker made the following statement:

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Yesterday the Hon. Member for Regina South gave notice under Rule 17 for a Priority of Debate regarding snow removal. Since that matter did not come up in the Legislative Assembly yesterday, the notice has expired. I refer all Hon. Members to Rule 17(2) which requires a two hour notice. It has been the practice of this Assembly to only allow the notice under Rule 17 to apply to the day that it was submitted to the Clerk and cannot be given on days in advance of the day it is to be raised in the Assembly. I therefore rule that the said notice from the Hon. Member for Regina South expired at the end of yesterday. The Member could have renewed such notice again today if he had so wished.

Moved by Mr. MacDonald: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 93) showing:

(a) The name of all oil companies that have paid taxes under Bill

42 from January 1, 1974, through either the mineral income tax or the royalty surcharge under that legislation. (b) The amount each company paid under the mineral income tax of Bill 42. (c) The amount each company paid under the royalty surcharge of Bill 42.

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

Moved by Mr. McMillan: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 95) showing:

The total amount of monies paid to the Regina Leader Post newspaper and the Saskatoon Star Phoenix newspaper by any government department, agency, commission, board or crown corporation, for advertising placed or handled by these two newspapers in each of the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976 and January 1, 1977 to September 30, 1977.

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. 96) showing:

Pursuant to the Environment Impact Assessment policy: (a) the date of hearing and subject of all Boards of Review held to date, (b) the date of decision and subject of all Internal Review Committee assessments, (c) the decision in each case above.

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

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

That this Assembly urge the Government to examine its taxing, economic, and purchasing policies, with a view to assisting the growth of the small business sector in Saskatchewan.

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

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 3), it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), seconded by Miss Clifford:

That the Government of Saskatchewan immediately discontinue the wasteful expenditure on TV and other advertising of Crown Corporations and other Government services when this advertising is aimed at promoting the NDP Party and their philosophy.

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

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 5), it was moved by Miss Clifford, seconded by Mr. Merchant:

That this Assembly encourages the Government to remove its compulsory retirement policy within the Saskatchewan Public Service and enact amendments to the Saskatchewan Bill of Rights to protect Saskatchewan workers from discrimination in hiring and compulsory retirement because of age.

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

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 11), it was moved by Mr. Lusney, seconded by Mr. Johnson:

That this Assembly deplores the continued inadequate performance of the existing Federal Feed Grains Policy and urges that, in the interest of orderly marketing of feed grains to the best advantage of Western producers, the sole responsibility for the marketing of domestic feed grains be returned to the Canadian Wheat Board.

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

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 12), it was moved by Mr. Mostoway, seconded by Mr. Allen:

That this Assembly deplores the failure of the federal government to act decisively to prevent unprecedented levels of unemployment and renewed increases in the cost of living, and commends the Government of Saskatchewan for developing a strong and increasingly diversified economy which has resulted in the maintenance of the lowest rate of unemployment in Canada.

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

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

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

Annual Report of the Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources for the year ending March 31, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 103)

Returns and Papers Ordered

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 94) showing:

The number of automobiles "written off" by S.G.I.O. for each month commencing January, 1975, until the most current month for which figures are available in (a) Saskatchewan (b) Regina.

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

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

'vehicles' written off' by the S.G.I.O. and which have been released to the S.G.I.O. salvage Division for each month commencing January, 1975 until the most current month for which figures are available in (a) Saskatchewan and (b) the Regina Salvage District.'

The debate continuing, and the question being put on the amendment, it was 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 4:55 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

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2:00 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. 58—An Act to amend The Northern Saskatchewan Economic Development Act, 1974.

(Hon. Mr. Bowerman)

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

Bill No. 59—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Farm Ownership Act. 1974.

(Hon. Mr. Kaeding)

The Orders of the Day having been called, Mr. Merchant, 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 dangerous and expensive closed circuit television commitments made this day by the Government which will cost Saskatchewan taxpayers through Government guarantees and Saskatchewan Telecommunications expenditures with the cost of converters and traps at current prices of approximately \$200 per subscriber many millions of dollars and indanger the hitherto free and independent media in Saskatchewan which has been and should remain sacrosanct.

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

A notice regarding this matter proposed for a Priority of Debate was received in the Clerk's Office at 11:55 a.m. today for which I thank the Hon. Member. The matter of closed circuit television and the possible Government guarantee has been a topic of continuing interest and of debate in this Assembly.

Under Rule 17(6). I am required to determine whether this matter is in order, urgent and of public importance. I believe that the matter is of public importance but is not urgent enough to set aside the business before the Assembly. I refer all Hon. Members to Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, Fourth Edition, Cit. 100(2) and (3). The Member may submit a notice so that the matter can be debated in the normal manner.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

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 House declines to proceed with this Bill until the subject matter thereof has been investigated by the Select Standing Committee on Law Amendments with a view to obtaining the specific levels of taxation that will apply both to the retroactive period and into the future.'

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings.

At 5:00 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read a second time.

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 House declines to proceed with this Bill until the subject matter thereof has been investigated by the Select Standing Committee on Law Amendments with a view to obtaining the specific levels of taxation that will apply both to the retroactive period and into the future.'

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

YEAS

Malone Wiebe MacDonald	Penner Cameron Stodalka	McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford	
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	NAYS		
Blakeney Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Snyder Byers Kramer Baker Lange Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy	Mostoway Whelan Kaeding Dyck McNeill Feschuk Rolfes Cowley Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Nelson (Yktn) Allen	Koskie Johnson Thompson Lusney Collver Larter Bailey Birkbeck Berntson Katzman Wipf Lane (Sa-Su)	

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

YEAS

Blakeney Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Snyder Byers Kramer Baker Lange Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway
Whelan
Kaeding
Dyck
McNeill
Feschuk
Rolfes
Cowley
Tchorzewski
Shillington
Vickar
Nelson (Yktn)

Allen

Koskie
Johnson
Thompson
Lusney
Collver
Larter
Bailey
Birkbeck
Berntson
Katzman
Wipf
Lane (Sa-Su)

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NAYS

Malone Wiebe Merchant MacDonald Penner Cameron Stodalka McMillan Clifford

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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.

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

Ordered, That when this Assembly adjourns today, December 22, 1977, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday, January 3, 1978.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:18 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Tuesday, January 3, 1978 at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Koskie laid before the Assembly, pursuant to a Resolution of the Assembly dated November 21, 1977, the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

(Sessional Paper No. 104)

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

Ordered, That the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections 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. 61—An Act to amend The Surface Rights Acquisition and Compensation Act, 1968.

(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 Rural Municipality Act, 1972.

(Hon. Mr. MacMurchy)

Bill No. 62—An Act to amend The Infants Act.

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

Moved by Mr. Birkbeck: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 85) showing:

The rates charged for electricity and gas for farm use and city use in the form of a percentage average of the four rate categories as of August 15, 1977 as well as before August 15, 1977.

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

Moved by Mr. Birkbeck: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 91) showing:

The total amount of grants under all government grant programs including the homeowner grant paid out by the Province of Saskatchewan in:(a) 1970; (b) 1971; (c) 1972; (d) 1973; (e) 1974; (f) 1975; (g) 1976; (h) 1977 to date; (i) including a record of grants paid as per hamlet, village, town and city in the years 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977 to date of return.

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

Moved by Mr. Birkbeck: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 92) showing:

The names and addresses of all persons, corporations and coops who have grazing leases from the Government. (a) The locations of the land leased; (b) The terms of the lease.

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

The question being put, it was negatived.

The debate continuing on the motion, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Smishek, adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 13), it was moved by Mr. Wipf, seconded by Mr. Larter:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Saskatchewan to adopt a suitable ballot with braille markings to ensure that those with visual handicaps enjoy the right to secret ballot.

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

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 16), it was moved by Mr. Larter, seconded by Mr. Katzman:

That this Assembly condemns the federal Liberal government for ignoring the needs of some 190,000 veterans in turning down monies agreed to on an all party agreement of two years ago, and that this Assembly further urges that this agreement, although not accepted by cabinet, be now passed in order to restore dignity to a group that has given so much to our country.

A debate arising, it was on motion of Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), adjourned.

The Order of the Day being called for Resolution (No. 17), it was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Larter:

That this Assembly urges the Government of Canada to delay any legislation that would legalize the sale of marijuana until broader research has been conducted.

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

That the word 'delay' in the first line be deleted and the words 'oppose the introduction of' substituted therefor, and that all the words after the word 'marijuana' be deleted.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was on motion of the Hon. Mr. Tchorzewski 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:

Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 3:

Amendments to the Bylaws of the Saskatchewan Land Surveyors' Association.

Return (No. 60) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated December 13, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Katzman, showing:

The number of averaging orders regarding working conditions (hours) renewed each year without the approval of the employee, or their union or representative, or without the approval of management for the years: 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 by the Department of Labour.

(Sessional Paper No. 105)

Return (No. 63) to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated December 13, 1977 on the motion of Mr. Katzman, showing:

The number of investigations by the labour standards branch into wage and benefits which have been undertaken or completed without signed complaints (routine) in the fiscal years 1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74, 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 1977-78 to date and the number of investigations by the labour standards branch into wages and benefits which have been undertaken or completed with signed complaints (special) in the fiscal years: 1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74, 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 and 1977-78 to date.

(Sessional Paper No. 106)

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Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 56) showing:

The revenue received by S.G.I.O. for the fiscal years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 from the sale of 'package policy insurance additional to licence plate insurance' from the purchasers between the ages of: (a) 18 and 30; (b) 30 to 45; (c) 45 to 55; (d) 55 and older.

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

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

The premiums earned by S.G.I.O. for the license years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 from the sale of package policy automobile insurance additional to insurance under the A.A.I.A.

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

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

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

For the fiscal years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77, the amounts paid out by S.G.I.O. on policies of 'package policy insurance additional to licence plate insurance' from the purchasers between the ages of: (a) 18 and 30; (b) 30 to 45; (c) 45 to 55; (d) 55 and older.

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

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

For the license years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 the amounts of claims and expenses incurred in respect of package policy insurance additional to insurance under the A.A.I.A.

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.

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

The revenue received by S.G.I.O. for the fiscal years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 from the sale of 'licence plate insurance' from purchasers between the ages of: (a) 18 and 30; (b) 30 to 45; (c) 45 to 55; (d) 55 and older.

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

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

The premiums earned by S.G.I.O. for the license years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 from the sale of insurance under the A.A.I.A.

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

The debate continuing on the motion as amended, and the question being put it was agreed to and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 59) showing:

For the fiscal years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77, the amounts paid out by S.G.I.O. on policies of 'licence plate insurance' from purchasers between the ages of: (a) 18 and 30; (b) 30 to 45; (c) 45 to 55; (d) 55 and older.

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

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

For the license years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77, the amount of claims and expenses incurred by S.G.I.O. on insurance provided under The A.A.I.A.

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.

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 64) showing:

The revenue received by S.G.I.O. for the fiscal years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 from the sale of 'home-pak insurance' from purchasers between the ages of: (a) 18 and 30; (b) 30 to 45; (c) 45 to 55; (d) 55 and older.

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

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

The premiums earned by S.G.I.O. for the fiscal years 1974-75, 1975-76, 1976-77 from the sale of dwelling insurance.

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

Question on the motion as amended put and agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

Moved by Mr. Wipf: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 84) showing:

Regarding the contract or agreement, if any, that the Department of Northern Saskatchewan has with Nordic Construction: (a) copies of any such contract or agreement; (b) the amount of monies paid Nordic Construction; (c) the project for which payments were made; and (d) the amount paid on each project.

Question being put it was agreed to, and an Order of the Assembly issued, accordingly, to the proper officer.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:58 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. Romanow until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The Order of the Day being called for the following Resolution, it was dropped.

That when this Assembly adjourns on Friday, December 23, 1977, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday, January 3, 1977.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy: That Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents—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.

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act, 1976, it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg) that:

Subsection (b) of subsection (2) be amended by adding after desirable 'provided the consent of the RM or RMs affected thereby is first had and obtained.'

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

YEAS

Malone Wiebe Merchant MacDonald Penner Stodalka Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford Larter Bailey Birkbeck Katzman Wipf Lane (Sa-Su)

NAYS

Blakeney Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Snyder Byers Kramer Baker Lange Kowalchuk Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda Whelan Dyck McNeill Feschuk Faris

Rolfes Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Nelson (Yktn) Allen Koskie Johnson Thompson Lusney

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

Bill No. 38—An Act to amend The Hospital Revenue Act, 1966.

Bill No. 26—An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act, 1976.

Bill No. 44—An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973.

Bill No. 25—An Act to amend The Urban Municipal Elections Act, 1968.

Bill No. 28—An Act to amend The Community Capital Fund Act, 1974.

Bill No. 34—An Act to amend The Property Improvement Grant Act, 1972.

The following Bills were reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed.

Bill No. 41—An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act.

Bill No. 42—An Act to amend The Purchasing Act, 1974.

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and ordered for third reading at the next sitting:

Bill No. 40—An Act to establish the Department of Revenue, Supply and Services.

The Assembly adjourned at 4:56 o'clock p.m. on motion of the Hon. Mr. MacMurchy until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

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

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells, it was moved by Mr. Malone:

'That the Attorney General immediately table all legal opinions received by the Government dealing with the constitutionality of Bill 47.'

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

YEAS

Malone	Stodalka	Bailey
Wiebe	McMillan	Lane (Qu'Ap)
MacDonald	Nelson (As-Gr)	Birkbeck
Penner	Clifford	Katzman
Cameron	Larter	Wipf
Anderson		•

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NAYS

Blakeney	Robbins	Vickar
Thibault	MacMurchy	Skoberg
Bowerman	Mostoway	Nelson (Yktn)
Smishek	Banda	Allen
Romanow	McNeill	Koskie
Messer	MacAuley	Johnson
Byers	Faris	Thompson
Kowalchuk	Rolfes	Lusney
Matsalla	Tchorzewski	

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The debate continuing on Bill No. 47, it was moved by Mr. Malone:

That the Attorney General table immediately the proposed tax rate or tax rates as contemplated by section 3 of Bill 47.

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

YEAS

Malone Wiebe Merchant MacDonald Penner Cameron Anderson Stodalka

McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford

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NAYS

Blakeney Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Snyder Byers Kramer Baker Lange Kowalchuk Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda McNeill MacAuley Faris Rolfes

Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Nelson (Yktn) Allen Koskie Johnson Thompson Lusney

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On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

Returns, Reports and Papers Tabled

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

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

Report of Commission of Inquiry under the Public Inquiries Act to inquire into the wilderness challenge camps as proposed and operated by the Ranch Ehrlo Society, dated December 19, 1977.

(Sessional Paper No. 107)

At 10:05 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.

10:00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker informed the Assembly that Vicki Reiman would be a Page during the present Session.

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

On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

At 1:03 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Monday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Monday, January 9, 1978

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

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

Ordered, That the order for Second Reading of Bill No. 33—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act—be discharged and the Bill withdrawn.

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

That this Assembly, in accordance with the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections requests the Hon. Member for Souris Cannington to withdraw unconditionally his letter of November 16, 1977 and to acknowledge that there were no proper grounds therefor and to make a full and ample apology to the Speaker and this Assembly for impugning the integrity of the Speaker and his office and for bringing into disrespect the institution of Parliament.

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

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

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of Bill No. 47— An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells, it was moved by Mr. Malone that:

Amend section 3 (1) of the printed Bill: by adding after the words '1973' in the third line the following:

'and the said rate or rates shall not become effective until approved by the Legislature'

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

YEAS

Malone	Nelson (As-Gr)	Birkbeck
Wiebe	Clifford	Berntson
Merchant	Collver	Katzman
MacDonald	Bailey	Wipf
Cameron	Lane (Qu'Ap)	Thatcher
Stodalka		

NAYS

Blakeney	MacMurchy	Feschuk
Thibault	Mostoway	Rolfes
Bowerman	Banda	Tchorzewski
Smishek	Whelan	Vickar
Romanow	Kaeding	Skoberg
Byers	Dyck	Johnson
Kramer	McNeill	Thompson
Kowalchuk	MacAuley	Lusney
Matsalla		

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The debate continuing on Bill No. 47, it was moved by Mr. Malone:

'That Section 7 stand and the subject matter thereof be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Law Amendments to recommend a comprehensive set of deductions that will be allowed to a taxpayer in determining the taxpayer's taxable income consistent with making the tax a true income tax within the meaning of the law.'

Mr. Chairman ruled the amendment out of order on the grounds that one Committee cannot refer a section of a bill to another Committee and this power rests with the Assembly itself. Mr. Chairman outlined the options for the Committee as follows:

- (1) Agree to the Bill;
- (2) Negative the Bill or sections of it; or
- (3) Amend sections of the Bill:

and to report the action taken.

Mr. Chairman also pointed out that a motion can be moved in the Assembly at Third Reading stage to refer the Bill to another Committee.

The debate continuing on Bill No. 47, it was moved by Mr. Malone:

That Section 7 stand and the subject matter thereof be referred to the Assembly to consider a reference thereof to the Select Standing Committee on Law Amendments to recommend a comprehensive set of deductions that will be allowed to a taxpayer in determining the taxpayer's taxable income consistent with making the tax a true income tax within the meaning of the law.'

Mr. Chairman ruled the amendment out of order.

On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

At 10:05 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Speaker, as Chairman of the Select Special Committee on Rules and Procedures, presented the Fourth Interim Report of the said Committee which is as follows:

Your Committee has considered its terms of reference with respect to renovations in the Legislative Chamber. On May 7, 1976, Your Committee recommended that the Legislative Chamber be refurbished and the report was concurred in by the Legislative Assembly at that time.

Since May, 1976, Your Committee has considered many of the details of the needed refurbishment in the Chamber. A local architect, together with sound, acoustical, electronic and mechanical consultants have conducted studies and prepared reports and drawings for the Committee.

Your Committee recommends that the refurbishment of the Chamber be commenced immediately following the prorogation of the Legislative Assembly in the spring of 1978 to include the following:

- 1. Repair and redesign the present air conditioner.
- 2. Repair the plaster and repaint Chamber walls and ceilings.
- Purchase a new sound system of broadcast quality.
- 4. Install new dark green carpet in the Chamber.
- 5. Install new flooring in the Chamber with the necessary ductwork for air supply, vacuum, sound and electrical systems adequate for future needs of the Chamber.
- 6. Refinish the Members' desks in order to preserve the wood and to accommodate a new panel for the sound system on each desk without altering the design of the desks.
- 7. Renew the acoustical sound baffling on the Chamber walls if necessary pending further reports from the sound consultants in order to ensure that the sound will be of broadcast quality with the final decision to be made by the Committee.

(Sessional Paper No. 108)

Moved by Mr. Banda, seconded by Mr. Mostoway:

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

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

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

That, the Member for Souris-Cannington, having declined to comply with the resolution agreed to by this Assembly on January 9, 1978 requesting the Honourable Member 'to withdraw unconditionally his letter of November 16, 1977 and to acknowledge that there were no proper grounds therefor and to make a full and ample apology to the Speaker and this Assembly for impugning the integrity of the Speaker and his office and for bringing into disrespect the institution of parliament', and having thereby committed a high violation of the rights and privileges of Mr. Speaker and the House, be suspended from the service of the House for five days, pursuant to the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

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

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NAYS

Collver	Birkbeck	Wipf
Bailey	Berntson	Thatcher
Lane (Qu'Ap)	Katzman	

Moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle): That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 46) showing:

The rate per mile charged by the Central Vehicle Agency (or the Government of Saskatchewan) for each of the government aircrafts in the years 1974 to November 1, 1977: (i) the total mileage flown by government aircraft in each of the years; (ii) the total mileage charged to government departments or agencies for each of the aircrafts in each of the years; and (iii) the amounts charged to each department or agency in each of the years.

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

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return (No. 97) showing:

(1) The loans and grants made or guaranteed by the Government for CPN. (2) The dates of the above. (3) Whether any of the above are overdue.

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. 98) showing:

The amount that CPN be charged per month, per subscriber, by Saskatchewan Telecommunications for the cable service, converters, and filters to be provided by Saskatchewan Telecommunications.

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

The Order of the Day being called for the resumption of debate on Return (No. 18), the Hon. Mr. Romanow moved that the said Return stand on the Orders of the Day.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed Resolution (No. 16) moved by Mr. Larter:

That this Assembly condemns the federal Liberal government for ignoring the needs of some 190,000 veterans in turning down monies agreed to on an all party agreement of two years ago, and that this Assembly further urges that this agreement, although not accepted by cabinet, be now passed in order to restore dignity to a group that has given so much to our country.

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg), seconded by Mr. Cameron, in amendment thereto:

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

'congratulates the Federal Government for passing Bill C202 on June 22, 1973, giving Canadian disabled veterans and their dependents the best benefits of any country in the world, and further, that this Assembly urges the Minister of Veterans Affairs to immediately raise the basic rate of veterans' pensions as provided in Bill C202 to ensure continuation of fair treatment of that special group of Canadians.'

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

Moved by Mr. Merchant: That Bill No. 29—An Act to amend The Public Service Superannuation Act—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. 30—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. Merchant: That Bill No. 31—An Act to amend The Fair Employment Practices Act—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. 32—An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission Act, 1972—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 a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells, it was moved that:

'Section 18 as amended be agreed to.'

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

YEAS

Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Byers Kramer Kowalchuk Matsalla

Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda Whelan McNeill MacAuley Feschuk

Faris
Tchorzewski
Shillington
Vickar
Skoberg
Johnson
Thompson
Lusney

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Wiebe Merchant MacDonald Cameron Anderson McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford

Collver Lane (Qu'Ap) Katzman Wipf

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The debate continuing on Bill No. 47, it was moved by Mr. Collver that:

Section 36 be amended by inserting after section 36 the following heading and section.

'PURPOSE OF THE LEGISLATURE

37. The purpose and intent of the Legislature is to alleviate an extreme financial burden on the people of Saskatchewan and the provisions of this Act are not intended to be used to interpret or construe any of the provisions of other income tax legislation as being retroactive in effect.'

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

YEAS

Collver Lane (Qu'Ap) Katzman

Wipf

NAYS

Blakeney Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Byers Kramer Kowalchuk Matsalla Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda Whelan McNeill MacAuley Feschuk

Faris Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Johnson Thompson Lusney

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On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

At 10:05 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Regina, Wednesday, January 11, 1978

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

The following Bill was received, read the first time, and, by leave of the Assembly and under Rule 48, ordered to be read a second time later this day:

Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act (No. 2).

(Hon. Mr. Romanow)

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

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells, it was moved by Mr. Collver that:

Section 37 be amended as follows:

- (a) by striking out subsection (1) of section 37 and substituting the following:
- (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the taxes imposed under this Act do not apply to the owner of oil and gas rights where the owner is a corporation and:
 - (a) the corporation is incorporated pursuant to the laws of Saskatchewan:
 - (b) the corporation has its registered head office in Saskatchewan;
 - (c) a majority of the shareholders of the corporation are ordinarily resident in Saskatchewan; and
 - (d) a majority of the directors of the corporation are ordinarily resident in Saskatchewan.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the taxes imposed under this Act do not apply to an owner of oil and gas rights in producing tracts where the aggregate area of all producing tracts beneficially owned by him and persons associated with him or in respect of which he and such persons hold any beneficial interest other than a lease does not exceed 1,280 acres;

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

YEAS

Collver Lane (Qu'Ap) Katzman Wipf Thatcher

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NAYS

Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Byers Kramer Lange Kowalchuk Matsalla Robbins Mostoway Banda Whelan Kaeding Kwasnica Dyck McNeill MacAuley

Feschuk Faris Rolfes Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Johnson Lusney

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The debate continuing on Bill No. 47, it was moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle) that:

Section 39 be amended as follows:

- (a) by renumbering the section as subsection (1) of the section;
- (b) by adding the following subsection:
- '(2) A notice of any compromise, settlement or refund made under subsection (1) shall be published in the *Gazette* within fourteen days from the date of such compromise, settlement or refund, and the notice shall state:
 - (a) the total amount of tax that would ordinarily be due and payable;
 - (b) the amount settled or refunded; and
 - (c) the person with whom the compromise or settlement is made or to whom the refund is made: and
- (c) by renumbering section 39 of the printed Bill as section 40 of the printed Bill.

The debate continuing on the amendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Wiebe Nelson (As-Gr) Katzman Merchant Clifford Wipf Anderson Collver Thatcher McMillan Lane (Qu'Ap)

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Pepper Matsalla Feschuk Faris Thibault Robbins Rolfes Bowerman Mostoway Tchorzewski Smishek Whelan Shillington Romanow Kaeding Kwasnica Vickar Messer Dyck McNeill Skoberg Byers Kramer Johnson MacAuley Lusney Lange Kowalchuk

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The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and ordered for third reading at the next sitting:

Bill No: 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

The following Bill was reported with amendment, considered as amended, and by leave of the Assembly, read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 11—An Act respecting the Interprovincial Adoption of Subpoenas.

On the following Bill progress was reported and the Committee given leave to sit again:

Bill No. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan.

At 5:08 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the Assembly without question put, pursuant to Rule 3(3), until Thursday at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

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Regina, Thursday, January 12, 1978

2:00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS:

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

(In the Committee)

During the consideration of Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Marriage Act, it was moved by Mr. Bailey that:

Section 2 be amended by striking out subsection (2) of section 2 of the printed Bill and substituting the following:

- (2) Subsection (2) of section 31 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
- (2) No decision made pursuant to subsection (1) shall relieve a person from compliance with sections 38 and 40.
- (2A) Where either party to an intended marriage is between the ages of sixteen and eighteen years:
 - (a) the licence shall be dated and become effective sixty days from the day on which the statutory declaration in the prescribed form was filed with the issuer; or
 - (b) the banns shall be proclaimed at least once on a Sunday not less than sixty clear days before the marriage.
- (2B) Notwithstanding subsection (2A), a party mentioned in that subsection may apply *ex parte* to a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench for an order:
 - (a) directing the issuer to issue a licence dated on and becoming effective from a day named in the order; or
 - (b) directing the clergyman to proclaim the banns on a day named in the order.
- (2C) A judge may issue an order mentioned in subsection (2B) under any terms and conditions that he considers proper'.

The debate continuing on the amendment, it was negatived on the following Recorded Division:

YEAS

Malone Wiebe Merchant Cameron McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford Collver Bailey

Lane (Qu'Ap) Ham Katzman Wipf

NAYS

Blakeney Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Messer Byers Lange Kowalchuk Robbins MacMurchy Mostoway Banda Whelan Kaeding Kwasnica Dyck McNeill MacAuley

Feschuk Faris Rolfes Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Johnson Lusney

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During consideration of Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents, it was moved by Mr. Lane (Qu'Appelle):

That the amendment to section 2 of the printed Bill be amended by striking out the words set out in quotation in the amendment and further striking out the words 'at anytime during the present Session' of the printed Bill and substituting therefor the words 'prior to the Budget Debate.'

The question being put, it was negatived, on Division:

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

Bill No. 2-An Act to amend The Cemeteries Act.

Bill No. 3—An Act to amend The Guarantee Companies Securities Act.

Bill No. 39—An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act, 1968.

Bill No. 46—An Act to amend The Marriage Act.

Bill No. 9—An Act to amend The Farm Security Act.

Bill No. 24—An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act.

Bill No. 1—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. 23—An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan.

Bill No. 50—An Act to provide for the Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents.

Bill No. 51—An Act respecting the Registration, Application and Implantation of Animal Identification Marks.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act (No. 2)—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, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the undermentioned Bill:

The following Bill was reported without amendment, read the third time and passed.

Bill No. 63—An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act (No. 2).

By unanimous consent, the Assembly proceeded to 'Public Bills and Orders - Adjourned Debates.'

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

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

The debate continuing, it was moved by Mr. Dyck, seconded by Mr. Thibault, in amendment thereto:

That the following words be added to the motion after the word 'in' in the second line:

with the exception of recommendations Nos. 2, 4, 5 and 7.

The debate continuing on the motion and the amendment, it was moved by Mr. Malone, seconded by Mr. Merchant, in amendment to the amendment:

That the following words be added to the amendment:

'to which shall be referred back to the said Committee for further consideration.'

The debate continuing on the subamendment, it was moved by Mr. Nelson (Assiniboia-Gravelbourg): 'That this debate be now adjourned.'

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

YEAS

Pepper Ro
Thibault Me
Bowerman Ba
Smishek Wi
Romanow Ka
Byers Fe
Kramer Tc
Lange Sh
Kowalchuk Vio

Robbins Mostoway Banda Whelan Kaedìng Feschuk Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Johnson Lusney Malone Wiebe Merchant McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford

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Nil

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By unanimous consent, the Assembly reverted to 'Government Orders - Third Readings.'

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Robbins: That Bill No. 40—An Act to establish the Department of Revenue, Supply and Services—be now read the 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 Thibault Bowerman Smishek Romanow Byers Kramer Lange Kowalchuk Robbins Mostoway Banda Whelan Kaeding Dyck Feschuk Faris Rolfes Tchorzewski Shillington Vickar Skoberg Johnson Lusney

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NAYS

Malone Wiebe Merchant McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford Collver Bailey

Katzman Wipf Thatcher

Kramer

Kowalchuk

Mostoway

Lange

The said Bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Romanow: That Bill No. 47—An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells—be now read the third time and passed under its title.

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

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

'Bill 47 be not now read a third time but that it be referred back to the Committee of the Whole with instructions that they have the power to amend it to delay proclamation until the constitutional validity is assured and the levels of tax and the regulations are proclaimed.'

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

YEAS

Malone	Merchant	Nelson (As-Gr)	
Wiebe	McMillan	Clifford	
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Pepper	Banda	Skoberg	
Thibault	Whelan	Johnson	
Bowerman	Kaeding	Lusney	
Smishek	Dyck	Collver	
Romanow	Feschuk	Bailey	
Byers	Faris	Lane (Qu'An)	

Rolfes Tchorzewski

Vickar

Shillington

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

YEAS

Pepper Banda Thibault Whelan Bowerman Kaeding Smishek Dyck Romanow MacAuley Byers Feschuk
Smishek Dyck Romanow MacAuley Byers Feschuk
Romanow MacAuley Byers Feschuk
Byers Feschuk
Kramer Faris
Lange Rolfes
Kowalchuk Tchorzewski
Mostoway Shillington

Johnson Lusney Collver Bailey Lane (Qu'Ap) Katzman Wipf

Vickar Skoberg

Thatcher

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Malone Wiebe Merchant McMillan Nelson (As-Gr) Clifford

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The said Bill was, accordingly, read the third time and passed.

9:45 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 Assemly 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.

- 5 An Act to amend The Sale of Training Courses Act, 1972
- 6 An Act to amend The Collection Agents Act, 1968.
- 7 An Act to amend The Credit Reporting Agencies Act, 1972
- 10 An Act respecting the Enforcement of Extra-provincial Custody Orders.
- 12 An Act to amend The Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act, 1968.
- 13 An Act to amend The Surrogate Court Act.

- 14 An Act to amend The District Court Act.
- 15 An Act to amend The Revised Statutes Act, 1974.
- 16 An Act to amend The Court Officials Act.
- 17 An Act to amend The Trustee Act.
- 18 An Act to amend The Limitation of Actions Act.
- 19 An Act to amend The Legal Profession Act.
- 20 An Act to amend The Administration of Estates of Mentally Disordered Persons Act.
- 21 An Act to amend The Police Act, 1974.
- 22 An Act to amend The Creditors' Relief Act
- 35 An Act to amend The Credit Union Act, 1972.
- 36 An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act.
- 37 An Act to amend The Education and Health Tax Act.
- 48 An Act to amend The Wills Act.
- 49 An Act to amend The Intestate Succession Act.
- 27 An Act to repeal The Municipal Road Assistance Authority Act, 1966.
- 25 An Act to amend The Urban Municipal Elections Act, 1968.
- 26 An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act, 1976.
- 28 An Act to amend The Community Capital Fund Act, 1974.
- 34 An Act to amend The Property Improvement Grant Act, 1972.
- 38 An Act to amend The Hospital Revenue Act, 1966.
- 41 An Act to amend The Queen's Printer's Act.
- 42 An Act to amend The Purchasing Act, 1974.
- 44 An Act to amend The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act, 1973.
- 11 An Act respecting the Interprovincial Adoption of Subpoenas.

- 1 An Act to amend The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Act.
- 2 An Act to amend The Cemeteries Act.
- 3 An Act to amend The Guarantee Companies Securities Act.
- 9 An Act to amend The Farm Security Act.
- 23 An Act to establish a Unified Family Court for Saskatchewan.
- 24 An Act to amend The Power Corporation Act.
- 39 An Act to amend The Municipal Hail Insurance Act, 1968.
- 46 An Act to amend The Marriage Act.
- 50 An Act to provide for the Postponement of the Tabling of Certain Documents.
- 51 An Act respecting the Registration, Application and Implantation of Animal Identification Marks.
- 63. An Act to amend The Queen's Bench Act (No. 2).
- 40 An Act to establish the Department of Revenue, Supply and Services.
- 47 An Act to provide for the Taxation of Income from Oil Wells.

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.'

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 and congratulate you on the work you have done.

You have considered and passed 43 bills.

You have given approval to *The Oil Well Income Tax Act 1977* - a measure to guarantee an appropriate return to the people of this province for our oil resources.

To ensure greater uniformity in the law in Canada and to protect the rights of Saskatchewan citizens, you have passed *The Interprovincial Subpoena Act, 1978,* and *The Extra-provincial Custody Order Enforcement Act, 1978.*

You have provided for the establishment of a new court with extensive jurisdiction in family law matters.

In amending *The Marriage Act* you have raised the minimum age at which a person may marry.

You have increased the amount of money available for local capital improvements.

You have taken steps to improve procedures for urban municipal elections.

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. Smishek, Acting 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.

J. E. BROCKELBANK Speaker

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2977

- 2.— Mr. Wiebe asked the Government the following Question which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:
 - (1) Has any Crown land been turned over to the Land Bank Commission since its inception? (2) If so (a) what is the total acreage? (b) how many leases are involved? (c) how much is under cultivation? (d) how much is natural grass?

Answer:

- (1) Yes
- (2) (a) 13,444 (b) 165 (c) 10,125 (d) 3,319.
- 3.— Mr. Wiebe asked the Government the following Questions which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:
 - (1) Have there been any increases in fees or dues assessed in connection with use of community pastures in the fiscal year 1976-77 to date? (2) If so, what fees or dues were increased? (3) What are the total fees and dues as of this date?

Answer:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Breeding Fee.
- (3) Daily grazing fee, 10¢-head-day. Calf fee, \$5.00-season. Breeding Fee, \$15.00-cow in the breeding field. Black Leg, 15¢-head. Castration, \$4.00-head. Dehorning, \$2.00-head. Branding, \$1.00-head.

Compensation voluntary to patron. Calf born in pasture, \$1.00-head. Calf delivered to pasture, \$1.25-head. Adult, \$2.00-head.

Sheep: Ewe, \$4.00-season. Lamb, \$2.00-season. Deworming, 35¢-ewe; 15¢-lamb. Pulpy Kidney, 10¢-lamb. Mineral, 25¢-ewe; 5¢-lamb. Shearing, at cost.

4.— Mr. Wiebe asked the Government the following Question which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:

(1) What are the names of the members appointed to the Saskatchewan Land Bank Appeal Board for 1977? (2) What are the names of the members presently sitting on the Board?

Answer:

- (1) Gordon South; Steve Jalbert; Norman Allan; Francis Eyre.(2) Gordon South; Steve Jalbert; Francis Eyre.
- Mr. Wiebe asked the Government the following Questions, which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:
 - (1) During the calendar year 1976, how many grants were made by the Minister of Agriculture under authority given in the Marketing of Natural Products Act? (2) What are the names and addresses of the individuals or organizations who received grants? (3) For what purpose was each grant made? (4) What was the amount of each grant?

Answer:

- (1) Nil (2) NA (3) NA (4) NA.
- 6.— Mr. Wiebe asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Kaeding:
 - (1) How many applications for the rebates under the Farm Cost Reduction Program were received by the Department of Agriculture in the 1976-77 fiscal year? (2) Of this amount how many received the maximum rebate? (3) What was the average payment?

Answer:

(1) 60,039 applications (2) 30,284 applicants (3) \$89.00.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1977

21.—Mr. Ham asked the Government the following Questions which were answered by the Hon. Mr. Messer:

Has the Saskatchewan Power Corporation sent out Registered letters to delinquent accounts from January 1, 1977 to October 31, 1977? (a) If so, how many? (b) What are the costs of mailing the registered letters? (c) Were any accounts in fact not delinquent?

Answer:

The reference to "Registered" is assumed to include letters catalogued by the Post Office as "Certified". The essential differences are that the contents of a registered letter are insurable and the letter is subject to more record keeping as it is channelled to its destination.

Personal and telephone contact is more prevalent in dealing with delinquent accounts. The practice of mailing registered letters is usually used where a party has ceased to be a customer and leaves an outstanding balance. Some of these letters are written by the local administration offices and others by Head Office when the account is submitted for write-off.

Yes, Saskatchewan Power Corporation did send out registered letters.

- (a) Complete records are not available in all administrative regions, however, from the records at our disposal, 6,240 such letters were mailed in the ten month period ending October 31, 1977.
- (b) The costs of mailing registered and certified letters are \$1.12 and .72 respectively which includes the standard postage of .12. Most of the letters referenced are mailed via the certified facility.
- (c) No accounts were not delinquent at the time the letter was sent. Accounts are aged at time of billing and the debt is confirmed on the date of the letter. Some accounts may be paid in part or in full before the registered letter reached the debtor.
- 28.—Mr. Ham asked the Government the following Question, which was answered by the Hon. Mr. Kramer:

What is the projected completion date of the divided highway between Swift Current and the Alberta border and at what cost per mile?

Answer:

No projected completion date has been established for the completion of this section of divided highway.

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PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

ABBREVIATIONS

1R—First Reading 2R—Second Reading 3R—Third Reading P—Passed A—Assent

COMM.—Committee of the Whole or Select Standing or Special Committee P.B.COMM.—Select Standing Committee on Private Bills S.P.—Sessional Papers

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