

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA
10:00 o'clock, Friday, February 28, 1969

Opening prayer by Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER: Presenting Petitions.

Reading and Receiving Petitions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees.

MR. JAMES COWAN, Q. C., (Winnipeg Centre): Mr. Speaker, I beg to present the report of the Special Committee appointed to review the variations in automobile insurance rates.

MR. CLERK: Your Special Committee appointed to review the variations in automobile insurance rates beg leave to present the following as their report:

On Friday, May 24, 1968 the House resolved that a Special Committee be appointed to review the variations in automobile insurance rates as well as increases, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, to investigate all aspects of automobile insurance and to make recommendations, (No. 53, Votes and Proceedings, 9:30 A. M.). This Special Committee had power to sit during that Session and in recess after prorogation, and to report to the House at the next Session.

The Committee submits the following report:

The above resolution of the House resulted from the Report of the Committee appointed Friday, April 21, 1967, which requested re-constitution in order that it might continue its work. That Committee was aware of the exhaustive study being conducted by the Royal Commission on Automobile Insurance in British Columbia, which was expected to report in mid-summer of 1968. It was agreed that, in view of the comprehensive nature of the study, the Committee could benefit by awaiting the findings in that Report.

The report of the Commissioners of the Royal Commission on Automobile Insurance in British Columbia was released in mid-October 1968 and copies were distributed to Committee Members shortly thereafter.

Meetings were held on February 3 and February 27, 1969. The British Columbia Report was considered and an analysis prepared for the Committee by Mr. F. A. Swaine, Superintendent of Insurance, was heard.

The Special Committee has not finished its work and it, therefore, requests reconstitution of a committee with the same terms and conditions under which it was originally established.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MR. COWAN: Mr. Speaker, I beg to move, seconded by the Honourable Member for Pembina, that the report of the committee be received.

MR. T. P. HILLHOUSE, Q. C., (Selkirk): Mr. Speaker, as a member of this committee I would like to say a few things, and they can be directed generally to all the special committees that have been set up by this government since it has taken office. I think that this government has been guilty of a designed plan of window dressing; of bringing into this Legislature Acts and Bills and then referring them to special select committees of the House and not calling these committees or convening these committees until a day or so before the sitting of this House.

Now, it is true that the question of automobile insurance is a very large question. It is a question which all people in Manitoba are vitally interested in, particularly when you regard the rising costs of automobile insurance premiums. But it seems to me, Mr. Speaker, that this government could have, after the release of the B. C. Royal Commission Report on Automobile Insurance, this government could have, at a much earlier date, convened this committee rather than waiting until February 3, 1969, when we did hear from the Superintendent of Insurance who gave us a symposium of the B. C. report, but apart from that the committee has done nothing else. As a member of that committee, and as a member of other committees in this House, I don't mind giving my time between sessions to expediting the work of enacting legislation for this province, but I do object to the dilatory tactics that have been adopted by this government in respect of all of these committees. To me, it is so much window dressing. Now there is an old, old saying that you can fool some of the people all of the time and all of the people some of the time but you certainly can't fool all of the people all of the time, and it's pretty nearly time that the people of Manitoba got wise to the dilatory tactics of this government.

MR. SPEAKER: The Leader of the New Democratic Party.

MR. RUSSELL PAULLEY (Leader of the New Democratic Party) (Radisson): Mr. Speaker, I presume that the motion is before the Assembly - I didn't know whether it was put or not - and I suppose we can continue. I want to join the complaint to a considerable degree as raised by my honourable friend the member for Selkirk. I, too, am a member of the now deceased committee on automobile insurance, and "deceased" I think was the proper name for it. We have in this House, and in this corner fought over the years for a complete review of the automobile insurance industry in Manitoba. We have from time to time set up committees to consider the subject. I think one of the first speeches I made in this House dealt with the question of automobile insurance. We are still dealing with it.

I think that this government is lax; very lax. It is not fulfilling its duties on behalf of the people of Manitoba insofar as automobile insurance. We met twice or three times, since we were last assembled here, to deal with the question of automobile insurance. On one occasion, if memory serves me correctly, I pleaded with the committee to at least institute a rate survey board, or something of that nature, so that we would have some opportunity of investigating into the question of ever-escalating automobile insurance rates. A short time ago I issued a press release. I'm sure that the First Minister or the Minister in charge of the department concerned with automobile insurance must have read that, when I asked that the Premier use his good offices to influence the automobile insurance industry in Manitoba to withhold any increases in automobile insurance rates until such time as they were reviewed or until such time as the committee on automobile insurance had considered and made a recommendation to this House. We are one of the few, I think, jurisdictions who doesn't appear to seriously consider the matter of automobile insurance. It's true that we had to wait until October, or did wait until October before we were given copies of the Wootton Report from British Columbia. It seems to me that following that report, at least we could have established a committee or a Board of Review for automobile insurance rates in Manitoba. But it seems to me, Mr. Speaker, that the industry is laughing at us, because notwithstanding the fact that we have a committee and that we have been considering the matter in this Assembly over the years, rates are going up by another 15 or 20 percent here in Manitoba, and if I read press reports correctly, the highest rate of increase is going to be in Manitoba. May I pose the question: is the automobile insurance industry in Manitoba doing the same as apparently the doctors did prior to Medicare coming into effect in Manitoba, to increase their rates so that if there is going to be any adjustment at all, they are still on the best side of the whole proposition? I join my colleague, my friend from Selkirk, in condemning the inactivity of the government, particularly in this, and I'm sure others in my group will raise the question regarding other committees as well.

I want to ask the First Minister now, if he will not use his good offices even at this late date in an appeal to the insurance industry operating in Manitoba to withhold the anticipated and continuing rate increases until such time as we have had an opportunity of considering this matter more fully. I ask my honourable friend. I realize that he, or this Assembly at the present time, has no authority to impose rates on the automobile insurance industry but surely my honourable friend, who had such great influence apparently at Ottawa recently, should use his charming personality and his influences on behalf of the people of Manitoba concerned with matters that are under our jurisdiction.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Rhineland.

MR. JACOB M. FROESE (Rhineland): Mr. Speaker, just a few remarks on the motion before us. As you will probably know, I am not a member of the committee and therefore am not as informed to speak on the motion before us as some of the other honourable members are at the present time, and this is one of the reasons I rise because I would like to obtain copies of the B.C. Commission report as well as copies of some of the major briefs that were presented, if any were presented. I did attend the last meeting of the committee just the day before and so I was there when the report was drafted. The reason, too, that I would like to obtain copies is that no doubt and very likely we will be adopting new principles as far as all insurance is concerned, and I would like to be fully aware and informed of these before we get down to detail and before we get down to the matter of imposing them.

MR. SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question? The Honourable Member for

MR. NELSON SHOEMAKER (Gladstone): Would my honourable friend be closing the debate if he speaks? Well I beg to move then, seconded by the Honourable Member for Emerson, that the debate be adjourned.

MR. SPEAKER presented the motion.

HON. GURNEY EVANS (Minister of Finance) (Fort Rouge): Would he wish to press his motion at this point or would he think it would be suitable if I made a remark or two?

MR. SHOEMAKER: Oh no, I am quite willing to let everyone in the House speak on this, but I want to adjourn the debate and speak on Monday or Tuesday or Wednesday or Thursday.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable the Minister of Finance.

MR. EVANS: If I have your permission, Mr. Speaker, I can't let this occasion pass without commenting on the sham attitudinizing by the Honourable Member for Selkirk and the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition.

MR. PAULLEY: Mr. Speaker, on a point of privilege, I wonder if my honourable friend is within the term of the House to refer to the remarks of my honourable friend or myself as being sham. There is no sham on my part. I was sincere and I meant every word that I said, and I suggest, Mr. Speaker, that the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer be requested to withdraw reference to what we've said as being sham.

MR. SPEAKER: I'm sure the honourable minister, if he feels that he has created some offense, would certainly withdraw that remark.

MR. EVANS: I naturally accept your instructions, Mr. Speaker. Then I refer to the posturing of this government because a Committee of the House is in charge of its own rules, and the matter was referred to a special select committee of the House. As I recall it, the two honourable gentlemen were present on every occasion when the committee decided how it would conduct its business. If memory serves me, there was no occasion on which a vote was called for as to whether or not we would conduct our business in the way we did conduct it, and certainly I recall no such division. I am of the view that the committee conducted its business by universal agreement that it -- well, my honourable friend shakes his head. He occasioned no vote in the committee in which he wished to oppose the way in which the business was being conducted and neither did the honourable gentleman over here, and the occasion for altering the way in which the business of the House was being conducted, or the business of the committee, was at the committee. The committee is naturally master of its own rules on that occasion, a thing well known to the two gentlemen opposite, and if they wished to draw attention to something that was not being conducted properly in a committee of the House, the committee of the House is the occasion on which to draw attention to it. They made no such motion in the committee. There was no division, no vote in the committee, and there were no proper grounds on which to say that the government delayed the conduct of the business in that committee because I have the view that the way the business was conducted over this period of time was by consent of all concerned, certainly evidenced by the fact that there was no division in the committee on how it should be done.

MR. SPEAKER: The Leader of the Opposition.

MR. GILDAS MOLGAT (Leader of the Opposition)(Ste. Rose): Mr. Speaker, the Honourable the Minister speaks about sham and posturing.

MR. SPEAKER: . . . withdrew that.

MR. MOLGAT: Well he nevertheless got it on the record, Mr. Speaker, and it's there and I agree that he ought to know all about it, because if there's been any sham and posturing it's exactly in the actions of this government with regard to these committees. In fact, early last fall I was in touch with the government urging them to call the committees. Not a single committee of the House had been sitting, Mr. Speaker. The government is using these committees, not to do work but to delay work. Take, for example, the other committees that were established at the last session.

HON. STERLING R. LYON, Q. C. (Attorney-General) (Fort Garry): Mr. Speaker, I am desperately sorry to interrupt my honourable friend, the Leader of the Opposition, on the occasion of his first speech at this session, but I believe we are dealing with the committee . . .

MR. MOLGAT: . . . point of order

MR. LYON: I'm dealing with the point of order. The point of order is that we are dealing with the Committee on Insurance, and I'm sure that if my honourable friend would restrict himself to that we'll have ample opportunity to deal with the other matters when they are reported.

MR. MOLGAT: Mr. Speaker, I am speaking on the report of the insurance committee. This is one of the committees established by the House and it is an example of the way in which this government has been using committees, and that is what I am referring to and I am

(MR. MOLGAT cont'd) perfectly in my rights in referring to other committees in that regard as well, Mr. Speaker, because we are dealing with the whole question of the report and the way in which the government is using the committees of this House. The government is simply refusing to call the committees and it calls them just before the session. There is no better example than the one on Statutory Regulations and Orders - a most important committee which was called on Monday and Tuesday of this week and has done nothing for the past year. The insurance committee was called on the third of February, just one short sitting . . .

MR. SPEAKER: Order please. I'm sure I don't have to remind the Honourable Leader of the Opposition that we are dealing with a subject that was brought forward by the Honourable Member for Winnipeg Centre, and I wonder if he would contain himself to those remarks.

MR. MOLGAT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If you wish me to refer strictly to the auto insurance committee I shall. It's a perfect example of the way in which the government is proceeding. On the subject of committees, I cannot think of a better example than that one because this committee has now been sitting for two years, if not three. I originally sat on the committee; we had a few meetings and really accomplished nothing. The government is simply using this as a tactic to do nothing. In this particular case, this committee met on the third of February of this year. It had not sat since the House rose last May. No work had been done. The next meeting was yesterday morning at 9:30 -- and it sat for twenty minutes, Mr. Speaker-- twenty minutes. And this is the government that says that it's trying to do things to protect the public. The fact is that it's using these committees to do nothing. We, on this side of the House, Mr. Speaker, are not prepared to accept that sort of action. The Premier can sit there and smile all he wants but back early last fall I was in touch with his office urging that the committees be put to work. The whole of the summer had gone by and there were no excuses. The year before we were told well there was a provincial election, there was this there was that. The next time it was centennial year. Last year there was no provincial election and it wasn't centennial year, but there was no action taken.

MR. SPEAKER: I must remind the honourable gentleman he's straying away from the subject at hand. I'm sure he will agree

MR. MOLGAT: I'm referring to the fact that the Auto Insurance Committee did not sit and proceed with its work. So, Mr. Speaker, we are objecting most strenuously to the manner in which the government is using the Auto Insurance Committee, amongst other committees, to delay the business of Manitoba rather than proceeding with it.

MR. SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question?

MR. LYON: Mr. Speaker, perhaps I could be permitted to make one short observation about the Insurance Committee. I was a former member of that committee along with the Leader of the Opposition and others, and my recollection of the earlier meetings of that committee was this: and it was a distinct understanding in the committee, in fact I think it was said when the committee was formed in the House, that because the Province of British Columbia was embarking upon a very thorough, wide-ranging study in depth of the insurance industry in that province, expending as I recall -- and I'm subject to correction on this figure-- something in the neighbourhood of a half a million or a million dollars in terms of research for their Royal Commission -- that it was generally agreed that this province should not undertake duplicate research of that extensive nature and expense and that we would, by general agreement, await the report of the British Columbia committee, the British Columbia Royal Commission, in order that we might then benefit from the results of the very thorough study that they were undertaking -- without of course accepting in advance any of the recommendations that would be made but rather to benefit from the studies that would be undertaken by that committee. In the interval, when I was a member of the committee a year ago, we heard briefs at some length from the insurance industry on various matters relative to auto insurance which laid a foundation for -- I know in my case -- for a better understanding of the topic that was before the committee. And then subsequently, as I recall by agreement - and I'm subject to correction on this -- but as I recall it was by agreement without any vote being registered, we agreed as a common sense attitude that we would await the report of the British Columbia Royal Commission. Now this year the committee was not called, I'm told, until the 3rd of February -- I'm not a member of the committee this year. But in any case the report from the British Columbia Royal Commission did not come down until late this fall some time. And in that intervening period the superintendent of insurance, as I am advised, made a study of that report - which was understood would be done - and when the committee was called, on the 3rd of February of this year, proceeded to give to the committee a breakdown of his

(MR. LYON cont'd) interpretation of the British Columbia report so that the members of the committee might better understand it.

So while my honourable friends may take some umbrage of the fact that the committee was not called until the 3rd of February, I suggest that this was entirely consistent with the understanding that had prevailed with respect to the work of this committee prior to the committee's being established, and indeed after it was established, and that I am rather surprised to hear some of the outbursts this morning in light of the consensus that I thought had obtained in this committee, and in the important work that it has before it -- and indeed the work of the committee is so important that they have asked -- as I understand in their report this morning -- that they be reconstituted in order that they can continue their study of the British Columbia report. This seems to be eminent good sense and I would trust that in the final analysis we will have the support of all members of the House who are interested in this problem in pursuing it in a workmanlike common sense way which has been the case up to the present.

MR. SPEAKER put the question.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Inkster.

MR. SIDNEY GREEN (Inkster): Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to know whether the debate was being adjourned or whether we were voting on the question.

MR. SPEAKER: We're dealing with the motion of the Honourable Member for Gladstone, seconded by the Honourable Member for Emerson, that the debate be adjourned.

MR. SPEAKER put the question and after a voice vote declared the motion carried.

MR. SPEAKER: Notices of Motion
Introduction of Bills
Orders of the Day

The Honourable Leader of the Opposition.

MR. MOLGAT: Before the Orders of the Day I'd like to address a question to the First Minister. The Throne Speech yesterday indicates that the government intends to bring forward legislation with regards to granting a license for South Indian Lake. I understand that an injunction has been granted by the courts on this subject. Does the government intend to proceed with this legislation?

HON. WALTER WEIR (Premier) (Minnedosa): Mr. Speaker, I'm not aware of any injunction being granted and I know of no change in plans from which were announced in the Throne Speech.

MR. MOLGAT: Mr. Speaker, is the news report not correct that the Minister of Mines and Natural Resources was served yesterday with a subpoena?

MR. LYON: It was served, Mr. Speaker, if I may answer on his behalf, the Minister was served with a document indicating that there would be a motion before a court in Manitoba next week dealing with the question of an injunction -- as I understand it -- I haven't seen the document.

MR. MOLGAT: Is the government then in a legal position to proceed if this matter is before the courts?

MR. LYON: . . . my honourable friend is asking for a legal opinion. I'd suggest that he waits and sees the bill that appears before the House.

MR. SPEAKER: Orders of the Day. The Honourable the First Minister.

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day I'd like to lay on the table of the House a Return to an Order of the House No. 29 dated April 1st on the motion of the Honourable Member for Emerson. A copy of the Return has been forwarded to the Clerk of the House and I am informed that the Clerk has already forwarded a copy of the Return to the Honourable Member for Emerson.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable . . .

HON. THELMA FORBES (Minister of Government Services) (Cypress): Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day I should like to lay on the table of the House a Return to an Order of the House No. 32 on the motion of the Honourable Member for Elmwood. The Clerk of the House has informed me that he has forwarded a copy of this return to the Honourable Member for Elmwood. I would also like to lay on the table a Return to an Order of the House No. 45, on the motion of the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, and a copy of this has also been forwarded to the Honourable Leader of the Opposition by the Clerk of the House; and a copy of Return to the Order of the House No. 49 on the motion of the Honourable Member for Lakeside; and I understand that the Honourable Member for Lakeside has also received a copy of this

(MRS. FORBES cont'd) Return from the Clerk of the House.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Burrows.

MR. DOUGLAS CAMPBELL (Lakeside): Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge receipt of the Order No. 49 that has just now been laid on the table by the Honourable the Minister, and thank her for sending it to me while the House was prorogued, and mention that they were very simple questions that had been asked in that one and it took only a little bit over a year to get the information.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Burrows.

MR. BEN HANUSCHAK (Burrows): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Honourable Minister of Consumer Affairs. I understand that the dairies are making application to the Milk Control Board for an increase in the price of milk. Is it his intention to appear before this Board when the application is presented on behalf of the people of Manitoba?

HON. J. B. CARROLL (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) (The Pas): I'll take the question as notice, Mr. Speaker.

MR. MOLGAT: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to address a question to the First Minister. I see no reference in the Throne Speech yesterday to the Boundaries Commission. Is there any truth to the rumor that the First Minister intends to abolish that commission?

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, if there is any thought or any announcement to be made on that why we'll make it in the House at the proper time.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Inkster.

MR. GREEN: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the Honourable the Attorney-General. I wonder whether the Honourable the Attorney-General has under his consideration the problem which appears to have received some publicity, vis-a-vis certain of Manitoba's citizens not wishing to appear before one of the magistrates of this province. I'll be more specific if the Minister has not -- (Interjection)-- Apparently there is a move being made . . .

MR. SPEAKER: Order, please. I wonder if the honourable gentleman would ask his question.

MR. GREEN: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I thought perhaps the Minister knew what I was referring to, but if he doesn't I will be more specific in the question. There has been a suggestion that there is going to be an application for a change of venue each time one of the native people of Manitoba is on trial before Magistrate Rice in the City of Winnipeg Magistrates Courts and I'm wondering whether this unique situation is receiving the consideration of the Honourable the Attorney-General.

MR. LYON: Mr. Speaker, the answer is yes.

MR. GREEN: I'd like to ask a supplementary question. I know that often the native people have been discriminated against, but is there any way in which this desirable privilege can be afforded to all citizens of the Province of Manitoba?

MR. LYON: I was about to say, Mr. Speaker, that regardless of the personality of the magistrate I'm sure that no people in Manitoba want to appear before any of our magistrates at any time but some of them are required to do so because of infractions of the law.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Minister of Industry and Commerce.

HON. SIDNEY SPIVAK, Q.C. (Minister of Industry & Commerce) (River Heights): Before the Orders of the Day, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to lay on the table of the House a Return to an Order of the House No. 27 on the motion of the Honourable Member from St. John's as amended by the Honourable Member from Rhineland. This Order for Return has been filed and I'm informed that it has been forwarded to the proper people.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Selkirk.

MR. HILLHOUSE: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to address a question to the Honourable Minister of Mines and Natural Resources. Could he advise the House of the exact date and time that he was served with a Notice of Motion by the residents of South Indian Lake for an injunction restraining the issuing of an Order in favour of Hydro?

HON. HARRY J. ENNS (Minister of Mines and Natural Resources) (Rockwood-Iberville): Yes, Mr. Speaker. It was at 2:00 p.m. yesterday -- in my office.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Elmwood.

MR. RUSSELL DOERN (Elmwood): Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the Attorney-General. Several weeks ago I wrote him concerning the case of two juveniles who were arrested and detained, leading to a bad case of frostbite, and I would like to know when we might receive a report from his department on this case.

MR. LYON: The report is coming. I would take issue only with the suggestion that the arrest and the detention contributed to the case of frostbite. That may well have anti-dated any arrest or detention. The report will be forthcoming shortly. I imagine it can be dealt with in estimates. The question that we have to keep in mind of course is that to the best of my knowledge these cases have not been disposed of in the court and it would be improper for us to be discussing matters that are subjudice.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for St. George.

MR. ELMAN GUTTORMSON (St. George): Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the Minister of Education. Will the Boundaries Commission be submitting a report on the Interlake with respect to the school divisions?

HON. DONALD W. CRAIK (Minister of Youth and Education) (St. Vital): The answer is yes, Mr. Speaker.

MR. GUTTORMSON: Could the Minister indicate when, because at least two towns, locations, that I know of -- and I refer to Ashern and Moosehorn -- are in desperate straits as far as new accommodation is concerned and if a report isn't submitted soon it's going to make it awfully difficult to have new structures built this year. When does he expect the report will be submitted?

MR. CRAIK: I expect, Mr. Speaker, that the report will be available during this sitting of the Legislature.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Leader of the New Democratic Party.

MR. RUSSELL PAULLEY (Leader of the New Democratic Party) (Radisson): Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the Honourable the Minister of Education or possibly the Provincial Treasurer. Announcements were made yesterday in the speech of His Honour to a change in the percentage rates of the Foundation Program which of course affects school budgets. Is it the intention of the government to have this matter dealt with in time for the changed foundation rate to be included in this year's budget?

MR. CRAIK: Details of any changes will be brought forward, Mr. Speaker; but in answer to the specific question, changes as announced in the Throne Speech were intended to apply to 1969-70. -- 1969.

MR. PAULLEY: A supplementary question then. It will be done in time to have an effect on this year's tax levy at the municipal level? Am I correct in that assumption?

MR. CRAIK: Yes.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Selkirk.

MR. HILLHOUSE: I'd like to direct a question to the Minister of Education. Has the Minister any remarks to make regarding the statement made by Davis Lewis at the University of Winnipeg wherein he charged you of misrepresenting the impact of the Official Languages Act?

MR. CRAIK: Mr. Speaker, I'm not fully familiar with the remarks which Mr. Lewis made. I anticipate, or from the remarks that I did see that he made, I concluded that he was representing Toronto New Democratic Party opinion with regards to the Languages Bill, and I'm sure that people in western Canada will be very interested to read this and judge it accordingly.

MR. GREEN: Perhaps the Minister of Education can announce very shortly his opinion with regard to the Languages Bill.

MR. CRAIK: Mr. Speaker, I think that the truth of the matter is that I did mention this yesterday and that Mr. Lewis did not have any opinion and could only discuss what I had said and had none of his own.

MR. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Honourable the First Minister. Mr. Speaker, I am assuming that the written briefs and presentations that were made at the recent Federal-Provincial Conference on constitutional and other matters will be made available to the members of this House. The question I wanted to ask following on that, Mr. Speaker, was, were all of the proceedings of that conference taken down verbatim? And if they were -- and I'm assuming that they were because on the part that was on television it seemed to me that someone was looking after a machine that apparently was recording the discussions. If they were, will all of those discussions also be made available to the members of this House?

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, the written ones that were presented certainly will be made available to the members of the House. In terms of the others, I know that there were some

(MR. WEIR cont'd) recordings kept, I am not aware of the detail or the manner in which they will be published but we will check and see whether it is possible or whether it's not.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'm taking it, Mr. Speaker, that if they are that the Honourable the First Minister will attempt to get them for all the members of the House.

MR. WEIR: Yes, Mr. Speaker. They're extremely bulky knowing what I saw from -- we saw the last one. I'm not sure -- if they are published, they'll be being published by the Government of Canada and I don't know whether we'll be on rations or whether they will be available. But we'll check it and if they are available why we'll make them available to the members of the House.

MR. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker, one final question on that matter. I take it that there were some sessions of that conference that did not appear on T. V. Is that correct? Were they all on T. V. ?

MR. WEIR: Well, Mr. Speaker, I'm not aware what went across the nation but the darn cameras sure never left the room and everything that went on there was televised. The matter of distribution between channels and whether it was split between regions of the country, I really can't answer the question, but it was all televised.

MR. PAULLEY: I wonder if my honourable friend would like a playback of all that went across Canada that he did not see.

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, I don't mind answering that question. I think I have a pretty good idea of what was going on at that conference.

MR. FROESE: Mr. Speaker, just to follow up what the Honourable Member for Lakeside asked, will copies also be made available of the conference that was held last fall?

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, I don't know what conference the honourable member is talking about, last fall.

MR. FROESE: I think the one you just referred to, that was very bulky.

MR. WEIR: Well Mr. Speaker, that wasn't last fall at all. The one referred to earlier was about a year ago, better than a year ago now, and I'm not sure whether they are available in quantity or whether they're not either.

MR. FROESE: . . . get the date of the copy then.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Burrows.

MR. BEN HANUSCHAK (Burrows): Mr. Speaker, this morning we received a list of reports required by legislation and there appears to be an omission, or at least I certainly can't find it. I believe the Manitoba Arts Council Act calls for a report to be presented to this House and I fail to be able to find it anywhere in here. I would direct my question to the First Minister or anyone who . . .

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, we'll take note of it. I am not aware of it and I cannot give the answer offhand but we'll take a note of it and see.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for St. George.

MR. GUTTORMSON: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the First Minister. Could he indicate at this time when he will be tabling the report of the Electoral Boundaries Commission?

MR. WEIR: Mr. Speaker, offhand I believe the Act calls for me to lay it on the table within six days of the opening or thereabouts, and we will be meeting the requirements of the Act.

MR. NELSON SHOEMAKER (Gladstone): Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day are proceeded with, I would like to direct a question to my honourable friend the Minister of Public Works. We do have one, don't we? Or Transportation. They've changed the name of it - the Minister of Transportation. Has the Government of Manitoba entered into any kind of an agreement for the sale of, or the lease of what is known as the MacDonald Airport?

MRS. FORBES: No, Mr. Speaker. We have an option that has not been exercised as yet. We are waiting for that, and we have nothing to report at this time.

MR. SHOEMAKER: A subsequent question. What is the date on the option? When will we get to know?

MR. FORBES: April 30th, I think, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SHOEMAKER: April 30th? Thank you.

MR. GREEN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs. I wonder whether the Minister can advise the House whether

(MR. GREEN cont'd) the government has formulated its attitude with regard to the City of Winnipeg tax freeze?

HON. OBIE BAIZLEY (Minister of Municipal Affairs) (Osborne): I'm sure, Mr. Speaker, that the question will be dealt with during this session.

MR. SHOEMAKER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to my honourable friend the Minister of Health and Welfare. Is it his intention at this session of the Legislature to deal with the report on dental services that so many of us worked so diligently on for two or three years? Is it his intention to table it at this session of the Legislature?

HON. GEORGE JOHNSON (Minister of Health and Social Services) (Gimli): Not at this time, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable the Minister of Transport.

HON. STEWART E. McLEAN, Q.C. (Minister of Transportation) (Dauphin): Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day, I wish to lay on the table of the House a Return to an Order of the House No. 19 made March 18, 1968, on the motion of the Leader of the Opposition. This Return was filed with the Clerk and provided to the Honourable Leader earlier. A further return to an Order of the House No. 37 made April 29, 1968, on the motion of the Honourable Member for Wellington, and a copy of this was filed with the Clerk and forwarded to the honourable member earlier. A Return to an Order No. 39 made May 6, 1968, on the motion of the Honourable the Member for Burrows. This Return was filed with the Clerk and a copy forwarded to the honourable member. A Return to an Order of the House No. 54 made March 15, 1967, on the motion of the Honourable Member for Portage la Prairie. This Return was tabled with the Clerk and forwarded as well to the honourable member. A Return to an Order of the House No. 71 made April 3, 1967, on the motion of the Leader of the Opposition, and this was filed with the Clerk and forwarded to the honourable member earlier. And if I may, Mr. Speaker, I should like to lay on the table of the House the annual report of the Highways Department for the fiscal year 1967-68. Copies of this report were forwarded to all members when they were printed.

MR. SHOEMAKER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct another question to my dear friend the Minister of Health and Welfare. Could he inform the House the number of prosecutions that have taken place under the Dental Act against the denturists, dental mechanics et al, in the last twelve months?

MR. JOHNSON: No, Mr. Speaker, but I can find out.

MR. SHOEMAKER: . . . you will endeavour to inform the House as quickly as possible the number of prosecutions. It shouldn't take long.

MR. SPEAKER: Orders of the Day. Consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The Honourable Member for Rock Lake.

MR. HENRY J. EINARSON (Rock Lake): Mr. Speaker, I am very pleased that you are once again occupying the Speaker's Chair on the occasion of it being my privilege in moving the adoption of the Throne Speech. It is indeed an honour to congratulate you, Sir, on the way you have overseen the business of this Assembly during the past two sessions, and we anticipate with confidence your ability to handle with fairness and impartiality the debates to come in the days ahead. I consider it a great honour and a privilege to have this opportunity to move an address to His Honour in reply to the Speech from the Throne in the third session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, and I wish to express my thanks to the Premier for having given me this opportunity.

This is not a personal honour because I am speaking as a representative of all my fellow members, and it is with this thought in mind that I humbly approach the task that is bestowed upon me.

Before I proceed any further, Mr. Speaker, may I take a moment here to express my sincere sympathy to the relatives of the late Harry Shewman. Harry will long be remembered by all who sit in this Legislature for the way in which he contributed to the proceedings of this Assembly for over a period of 17 years.

With your indulgence, Mr. Speaker, may I take this opportunity to congratulate the Honourable Member for Minnedosa, the Premier, for his superb performance in Ottawa during the federal-provincial conference. It was here that Mr. Weir again confirmed his tremendous leadership abilities and once again set forth the foundation that his first and foremost concern is for the people of our province, and in doing so provided reassurance to the people that his continued guidance and leadership will see them through Manitoba's period of growth and readjustment.

(MR. EINARSON cont'd)

May I also congratulate the Honourable Member from Arthur on his elevation to that cabinet position as Minister of Agriculture. I am sure the entire province will benefit from the wisdom and judgment that you, Honourable Sir, bring to that portfolio.

I would also like to say how healthy and ready for debate the members of our opposition look, and I hope that we will enjoy a happy productive session. I know there will be much debate from the honourable members of the opposite side as to what will happen in 1969.

May I as well, Mr. Speaker, say how pleased I am to see all the members of the press gallery up in their seats with their pencils poised, ready to report - good or bad - the proceedings of this Legislature. We all know that they in their line of duty report a true picture, impartial and honest, regarding the debates that take place in this hallowed room.

It would be remiss of me not to mention briefly the civil servants that occupy many of the offices here, and we hope that we will enjoy a rapport with these people as we have done in the past, thus utilizing their talent to the fullest extent.

Mr. Speaker, I intend to speak about the constituency which I have had the privilege and pleasure of representing in the 28th Legislature. I would like to express my thanks to the constituents for having given me that opportunity. There is one thing that my constituents are delighted about, as I am sure are all people in our province, and that is the fact that Manitoba is about to balance another budget, making this its second time to do so. We note with pride that Manitoba is the only province in Canada that is doing so, and it is my belief that this fact alone says a great deal about the kind of leadership we have in this province and where the interests of the government lie.

I represent the constituency of Rock Lake, and I would like, Mr. Speaker, to take this opportunity to inform the Assembly of some of the features of this constituency which lies in the south central part of Manitoba. The constituency includes the rural municipalities of Argyle, Louise, Roblin, Strathcona, and good portions of Lorne and Riverside. I farm two sections of land in the municipality of Argyle, a mixed farming area, and because of this fact I am fully cognizant of the attributes and the detriments of our riding. There are almost 11,000 people living in this area, people who derive their income largely from the excellent agricultural base that exists; the various service industries that are included in the towns and villages; and to some extent from a new emerging industry with a good deal of potential, that of tourism and recreation.

I would like to tell you a little about these important areas of human endeavour. With respect to agriculture, it largely comprises a very stable type of mixed enterprise farming. Over 850,000 acres of land are being farmed with about 625,000 acres of improved land. This land is well kept and productive. The progressive nature of the farmers in the constituency is shown by their adoption of the latest technology in the use of fertilizers, agricultural chemicals and good management practices. One of the indicators of this trend is the fact that summer-fallow has been reduced to almost 20 percent during the past five years. This indicates more intensive use of land and higher productivity. Almost half of the crop area was in wheat in 1968, with the remainder mainly in coarse grains and seed. About 67,000 head of cattle are raised in the area and about 28,000 hogs. A fair proportion of the grains produced in the area are used for livestock feeding, thus adding to the effective use of the agricultural resource base. There is also a certain amount of dairying attached to the farming industry in my riding. We have two creameries, one operated in Crystal City owned by Canada Packers and managed by Mr. Harry MacKay; the other owned privately in the town of Cartwright and operated by Shewfelt Bros. It is significant to note that farm adjustment in my constituency has progressed very favorably, more so than provincial average, which again indicates a fair degree of agricultural stability.

The tremendous opportunities in tourism in this beautiful area of the province have just recently been recognized and development is moving along with the building of new motels and, in many cases, the renovation and reconditioning of older motels. They have been modernized in such towns as Ninette, Belmont, Pilot Mound, Crystal City and Baldur. A chain of beautiful lakes - Pelican, Rock and Swan, along with numerous other smaller lakes - provides an unusually diverse type of recreational opportunity for hunting, fishing, boating and camping. In addition, all this is located centrally within easy reach of all the major centers of the province. Even more important perhaps, from the standpoint of economics, is the ready access of people from south of the border. In fact there is discussion going on with the State of North Dakota for the

(MR. EINARSON cont'd.) development of co-operative projects and promotion of tourist development which will no doubt attract large numbers of people from North Dakota and neighbouring states. Provincial Highway No. 258 runs through the middle of this constituency from north to south, and when this road is completed in the near future, it will provide a contact from Mexico to Northern Manitoba.

A short while ago I, along with two honourable members of my caucus, were privileged to visit the Legislature of North Dakota where we were guests of representative Oscar Soberg of Rolla, North Dakota. During our brief visit we were honoured to spend an hour with Governor William Guy who expressed a distinct desire to enter a tourist promotion program with four other states surrounding the State of North Dakota. He told us that he had recently sent a letter to the Honourable Premier requesting that a representative from the Manitoba Government be present at the initial hearings to determine the tourist promotion program. It is my belief that this joint effort will do much to further tourism in my constituency and therefore to further the economic well-being of my riding.

In order to conserve and develop the greatest potential of the exceptionally versatile water resources in the constituency, people in the area have banded together to study this in co-operation with members of the Honourable Harry Enns' Department, namely the Water Control Commission. With some additional study and effective joint planning it is my contention that this will result in a most significant development for the most effective multiple use of these water resources. I urge immediate action on this matter because in my opinion this resource is one on a par with the agricultural foundation in my constituency and therefore requires urgent legislation.

Because of the agricultural base in my area the various programs and policies of the Department of Agriculture have served us well. Crop insurance is wholly widely used by farmers in the riding, and this adds even more stability to our farming business. The use of agricultural credit helps build and develop many efficient farm units that exist in the area. The new proposed agricultural credit and development Act will no doubt continue to serve even more effectively in the future. Other programs in soils, crops, livestock production, farm management and youth work are being used in an effective and positive manner by the residents. Certainly, like locales elsewhere, we are not entirely free from problems. Farm adjustment is gradually taking place but there is still room for improvement. With the adoption of new technological advancements we are operating our farms but we must now endeavour to find new markets for our produce. A farm that is producing is gratifying but if we do not supply marketing outlets for the produce of these farms then I ask, Mr. Speaker, why improve production at all. Let the experts that are so quick to encourage greater farm production and efficiency now concentrate their learned efforts on opening new areas to market the end products of agriculture.

We will also need to carefully plan our approach to the development of recreational potential in order to achieve the best results for the benefit of the people in the area. We are concerned about adequate facilities for our senior citizens and I am pleased to report that plans for a new senior citizens' home at Baldur have just recently been approved by the Minister of Health and Welfare. The one at Pilot Mound has been there for several years and is being thoroughly enjoyed by those citizens who are now resident there.

Education still remains a crucial issue. Because of our fast changing technological world it is essential that we provide the very best education for our young. And as the father of three school-age children this is an area that is of prime importance to me, as it is to every parent of school-age children. I am delighted that I am able to at this point to officially announce the construction of an addition at Cartwright School in Cartwright. It will be an addition of 2,400 square feet of instructional area to be used as an area for physical education, with a gross overall area of 4,000 square feet.

The government medicare plan effective April 1st will do much to ensure comprehensive medical coverage for the citizens of my constituency and all of Manitoba. Comprehensive coverage means a full range of services by doctors in hospitals, at the patient's home or in the physician's office. The Manitoba Government plans to go beyond the coverage towards which Ottawa will be contributing by adding (i) refractions provided by optometrists as well as chiropractic services. These will be covered by the established premium. With the introduction of this service to the residents of Manitoba may I emphasize we all have a responsibility not to abuse the plan. It is noteworthy to mention that the present plan is not Manitoba's original, but it is the plan that the Federal Government has forced us to adopt. But we are not about to let

(MR. EINARSON cont'd) this beat us. We will endeavour to make the best possible use of the proposed medicare scheme.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, I would like to borrow the well-known words of the alcoholics' creed, which reads: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference." I believe that now as we are about to sit down together to mold the future legislation of our province that we would do well to remember the meaning of this injunction and work together toward finding solutions to our problems and establishing patterns to insure a prosperous and happy future for all of Manitoba.

Mr. Speaker, I beg to move, seconded by the Honourable Member for Roblin, that a humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as follows: We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has been pleased to address us at the time of the opening of the present Session.

MR. SPEAKER presented the motion.

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MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for Roblin.

MR. WALLY McKENZIE (Roblin): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and distinguished guests of MLA's. In rising to second this motion, Mr. Speaker, I would first of all like to offer my heartiest congratulations to you on the resumption of your duties of that particular high office. I think we have every confidence that you will continue to conduct the affairs of this House in your capacity as its presiding officer with fairness and with the impartiality which has been the tradition of the Speakership of this Assembly through many years, and that you, Sir, will in fact at all times show the ability to rise high above all partisan opinion, sentiment and prejudice. I also be so presumptuous as to applaud you for the manner in which you are continuing to represent with great distinction the people of Swan River who you have served well for so long.

I would further like to congratulate the Honourable the Premier as he enters his second year as the leader of the government forces in this House and in this province. His dynamic personality, his understanding of the personal problems of Manitobans I think is an asset to this Assembly, Mr. Speaker, and will serve well to keep the members of this House fully cognizant of the duties that all members here must fulfill.

I would also, Mr. Speaker, be remiss if I didn't express my gratitude to the voters of Roblin constituency for doing the honour of electing me to sit in this Assembly. All that I can say is that I trust with diligence that I shall be able to serve those people well.

With your indulgence, Mr. Speaker, I would also like to pay tribute to the people of this province who have made it possible for the presence of three newly elected members of this Assembly -- (Interjection) -- I haven't heard of the fourth yet. Three is all I'm aware of, Mr. Speaker. One from Birtle-Russell, one from Morris and one from Wolseley, and I welcome the opportunity to share our bench with these newcomers to the provincial political game and I'm sure that their contributions in our caucus will be beneficial and meaningful to all.

In seconding this motion, Sir, I think it gives us of this Assembly an opportunity to reaffirm our pledge of loyalty to Her Majesty Elizabeth the Second by the Grace of God Queen of Canada. The term "Throne" as it relates itself to this great province and to our nation is symbolic of those sublime principles which received their birth in the reeds of Runnymede, and which in every generation of our history have been nourished by men and women without distinction of colour or class or creed; and within our province, Mr. Speaker, there are many people who have come from other lands of this earth. Many of them have come from lands that have had very little opportunity to offer to them and they come to us that they might taste the sweets of opportunity and justice and freedom that this province can offer. They've come bringing their skills and their endeavours that they may share their fate with our destiny. And what a destiny, Mr. Speaker. With these newcomers in our midst and with their training and with their knowledge, Manitoba will continue to grow in population, stature and unity. There is I daresay, Mr. Speaker, no part of Canada more richly endowed than this province in which we live and Manitoba has played a great part in the drama of the stewardship of humanity and has done its share to answer the universal cry of this world for daily bread. I have the privilege of representing a constituency that is comprised of many ethnic people from many parts of the world and these people are striving to live and to work together for the good of our nation and for the good of our province. And that is after all, Mr. Speaker, what Canada is all about. We are still a young country in the eyes of the world, but we are united not divided, and it is through that unity, Mr. Speaker, that I say Canada's second one hundred years will see even more fantastic growth and accomplishment than it has already enjoyed.

May I speak briefly, Mr. Speaker, about my constituency and some of the points of interest which I think might be newsworthy to the members of this Assembly. The overall picture of the constituency as I stand here this morning continues to show economic growth even though there are pockets of problems in the agricultural sector which have come about mainly due to the uncontrollable elements of weather, and while these elements have added considerable burden, not only to my area but I think to most of our province, there are other discerning factors I think that must be rectified if we're to improve the plight of our farmer in this province. My people, Mr. Speaker, are facing surpluses of unsold grain because it is damp, frozen, and with quotas as low as one bushel on this the 28th day of February. I submit, Mr. Speaker, that we face a serious problem that could have many repercussions unless money somehow can be placed in the pockets of our farm people to meet at least some of the current

(MR. McKENZIE Cont'd) . . . bills that they face today, such as hydro, telephone, fuel accounts, and now we will have a medicare which will be on a monthly basis. And somehow, some way, I say that we must find solutions for some of those who are trapped in the crux of this unfortunate financial situation.

The beef industry in my constituency continues to show continual stability even though many of the farmers are faced with a shortage of grazing and pasture land. And whether the expansion of the community pasture philosophy or the release of additional Crown lands holds the solution it is yet to be determined. But it is a problem that must be dealt with and dealt with soon if we are to preserve the success of this sector of the farm operation. Some of western Canada's finest herefords and shorthorn breeders live in the constituency which it is my honour to represent, and these men have been consistent winners at the national, international shows of North America with their stock. I think with that base in the area that we should concentrate on fuller development of that sector so that the present foundation which is already there remains firm and steady and that the industry itself continues to provide the successful growth which comes from the herds that are already established.

March, Mr. Speaker, is national honey month. -- (Interjection) -- Spread it around. May I submit, Mr. Speaker, that a more strict form of predator control must be implemented or legislated for the honey producers adjoining the Duck Mountain and National Mountain Park of this province. I can cite as I stand here before you this morning one honey producer who in 1967 extracted some 170,000 pounds from his 900 hives and found that his 1968 production was reduced some 100,000 pounds due mainly to the increase of the bear population in these parks. We've witnessed a planned alleviation of this problem and I hope, Mr. Speaker, that our government will continue to press for all-out protection for those honey producers who must face this problem. I had a letter come across my desk this morning in my mail I think which might be of interest, Mr. Speaker, and maybe should be read into the record. It says here that the beekeeping industry realizes very small financial returns proportionate to the value of pollination service supplied to the world at large. Statistics compiled in the State of Ohio in 1963 show a record of beekeepers products and the manufacture of bee supplies, of bee farmers benefits through honey bee pollination, realized \$95 million annually for bee food and seed. When considering these facts we realize how vital a role the honey bee actually performs in the sustenance of life.

May I draw to the attention of this distinguished assembly, Mr. Speaker, that local industry in my constituency does much to enhance the well-being of the town. In Roblin riding the Roblin Forest Products industry draws their resources from the Duck Mountain National Park, and they have created a locally found industry that is continually expanding and creating employment which currently exceeds 100 persons; and I submit with great pride that it is of considerable interest for us to note this morning that the town of Roblin has not experienced a welfare budget in excess of \$200 since 1963. The town continues to grow and enjoy an enviable position as one of the fastest growing towns in rural Manitoba.

Another industrious town, in my opinion, in the Roblin riding, that should enjoy a considerable position comparable to that of the town of Roblin is the town of Grandview, and with very small effort this community, I think, could take its rightful place on the ladder of continuing success. The Chambers of Commerce of the municipalities and the towns of Grandview and Rosburn themselves are insisting, and rightfully so, that a connecting road must be built through the Riding Mountain National Park and it must have a priority. This would do much to bring about the bringing together of the dairy herds of those communities so that they would be in range of the cheese factory that just opened recently in Rosburn. In order to fully realize the tourist potential of the Duck Mountain National Park I think it's imperative, Mr. Speaker, that a first class highway must be built to connect the business facilities of the town of Grandview to that of that huge playground up there of lakes, fishing, wildlife, and natural beauty that Manitoba is so well known for throughout North America.

One of the greatest improvements I think that I can see, and it's the one that is closest to where I live, is the current Shellmouth Dam project, and the Asessippi Provincial Park that will see completion for our centennial year. This Shellmouth Reservoir will be some 50 miles in length when it reaches full capacity - and I submit most sincerely, Mr. Speaker, that we must consider naming this body of water "Lake Roblin", in honour of that family who have contributed so much to our great province.

I invite every Manitoban during our centennial year to personally visit the village of

(MR. McKENZIE Cont'd.) Inglis where I reside, and it would be my pleasure to escort those who can take the time to visit that constituency, I will escort you through this playground of nature's wonders, and I'm sure there will be something for everyone, regardless of age, including water sports, solitude amid the beauties of nature's bountiful supply of things that are there.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, I feel that the Speech from the Throne fully recognized the true picture of this great province and it has the interest of all our people and the welfare of each and every resident at heart; and whether we sit on your right here as the supporters of this government or on the left as the members of the opposition parties, I think each party and each member in this House will be possessed by the common resolve and inspired by a common purpose, and that is of working for and improving the plight of the people whose trust and hope in us made our presence here today possible. We recognize that as the citizens of a true democracy that realizes a reverence for the laws of God and the love for humanity, that they are fundamental to our society and to our survival. We pledge to dedicate ourselves and our efforts to this end, Mr. Speaker, so that the government of the people, by the people, and for the people, will not perish from this earth.

I have much pleasure, Sir, in seconding this resolution and asking for its adoption.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Member for St. George.

MR. GUTTORMSON: Mr. Speaker, I believe there was -- sorry.

MR. SPEAKER: Does the Honourable Member for St. George wish to take the floor?

MR. GUTTORMSON: Mr. Speaker, I believe there was agreement with the House Leader that the debate would stand in the name of the Leader of the Liberal Party.

MR. LYON: Mr. Speaker, I believe the undertaking was that if someone moved on behalf of the Leader of the Opposition that debate be adjourned that he would not thereby lose his right to participate in the debate.

MR. GUTTORMSON: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Member for Lakeside, that the debate be adjourned.

MR. SPEAKER presented the motion and after a voice vote declared the motion carried.

MR. LYON: Mr. Speaker, I beg to move, seconded by the Honourable Provincial Treasurer, that the House do now adjourn.

MR. SPEAKER presented the motion and after a voice vote declared the motion carried and the House adjourned until 2.30 Monday afternoon.