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The House met at three o'clock p.m.

On Orders of the Day.

**CORRECTION OF PRESS ITEMS**

**Mr. W.J. Berezowsky (Cumberland):** — Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day are called, I wish to draw your attention to a news report in the 'Leader-Post' this morning. It says here that I said the Federal Government had done nothing to find new trapping grounds for the Indians — I was referring to the Indians in the Primrose Lake area that had been displaced, some 2,000 of them, who had joined the ranks of the unemployed; and that it was the Provincial Government that had solved the matter.

I said no such thing. What I have said is what I quoted from the previous report in the same press. Here is what I said:

“Mr. Pickersgill said the Indians moved from the Cold Lake range depended upon sale of the furs for a living; it was up to his Department to find new trapping grounds, and new areas are scarce. He had discussed the question of compensation with Defence Minister Campney, but no solution had been found.”

I want to point out that no solution had been found by the Federal Government, and I had not said that this Government found a solution.

**Mr. A. Lopton (Saltcoats):** — Mr. Speaker, I would like to draw the attention of the House to a report of the debate on the Livestock Commission resolution, yesterday afternoon. It is reported as if the House had endorsed the Livestock Marketing Board. I think that statement should be corrected, because the resolution was entirely debated to the effect that we recommended that Livestock Commissioners be appointed; it had nothing to do with a Livestock Marketing Board.

**CAMPBELL BROTHERS RECEIVED**

**Mr. Walter Erb (Milestone):** — Mr. Speaker, before we proceed to the next order of business, it is my privilege to inform you that six distinguished residents of Saskatchewan, who have brought great honour to this Province, and who have been invited here by Your Honour on behalf

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of this Assembly, await your summons to attend upon Your Honour.

**Mr. Speaker:** — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly that the Hon. Member have leave to bid the distinguished guests of the Assembly to enter the Chamber?

(Agreed)

**Premier Douglas:** — Mr. Speaker, by leave of the Assembly, I move, seconded by the Hon. Leader of the Opposition (Mr. McDonald):

“That proceedings be now suspended in order that the Assembly may greet and do honour to its distinguished guests.”

(Agreed)

**Mr. Erb (Standing at the Bar):** — Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to you, and through you to the Assembly, Messrs. Lloyd, Glen, Don and Garnet Campbell, brothers, of Avonlea, Saskatchewan, winners of the Macdonald's Brier Tankard, emblematic of the Curling Championship of Canada and, indeed, of the World, and their proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. 'Sandy' Campbell.

**Mr. Speaker:** — Let the Bar of the House be raised that our honoured guests may enter and take the seats provided for them.

I will now call on the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. McDonald, to say a few words on behalf of the Opposition.

**Mr. A.H. McDonald (leader of the Opposition):** — Mr. Speaker, Honoured Guests, Members of the Assembly, it is a great honour for me to have the privilege of saying a few words here, this afternoon, and I am sure I am speaking for all the people of Saskatchewan when I say that we appreciate so very much the excellent work done by the Saskatchewan Curling Association and the Jubilee Committee in making the Macdonald Brier the largest and most enthusiastic ever held in the Dominion of Canada.

I also want to extend my equal thanks and appreciation to our Honoured Guests, this afternoon, — the Campbell brothers and their families, from Avonlea, — on their achievement in bringing the Macdonald Brier Tankard to Saskatchewan. I am sure that we have never attended a sporting event where there was more enthusiasm on the part of the large crowds, or more support for our local team. We, in Saskatchewan, are very proud of our team and want to congratulate you on the great contribution you have made to the good sportsmanship of Saskatchewan, and also the great honour you have brought us in winning the Macdonald Brier in this, our Jubilee year.

As we all know, this is the first occasion that Saskatchewan has ever won this great sporting event. What could have been more appropriate than to have accomplished this in our Jubilee year?

Our many thanks to you, the Campbells from Avonlea.

**Hon. T.C. Douglas (Premier):** — Mr. Speaker, Distinguished Guests, fellow members and ladies and gentlemen; I want to concur most heartily in the good wishes that have been extended by Mr. McDonald, the Leader of the Opposition. I am particularly glad, at this time, to see the good relations that have now been established between the McDonalds and the Campbells, because students of Scottish history will remember that, something over 200 years ago, one dark night, the Campbells went to Glencoe and massacred all the McDonalds. Apparently they missed one or two! And for many years, the Campbells and the McDonalds were not on speaking terms. I am sure you were delighted, today, to hear a McDonald now praising the Campbells, and that the good relationship of the past has now been re-established between the two clans.

Mr. Speaker, this is indeed a historic and unique occasion. It is historic because this is the first time in the history of the Macdonald Brier Bonspiel that Saskatchewan has brought the Tankard back to this Province. It is also historic because this is the first time, I think, in the history of this Province that the Legislature has brought a group of citizens on to the floor of the Legislative Assembly to publicly thank them and to publicly honour them for their contribution to the Province. It is unique in that I think this is probably the first time in the history of the Macdonald Brier contest that it has been won by four brothers, four brothers from one community, four brothers all of whom were born in this Province.

As the Leader of the Opposition has said, it is particularly fitting that this victory should have been won in the very year in which Saskatchewan is celebrating its Golden Jubilee. I think that the tremendous crowds that were present at the Bonspiel, the marked enthusiasm which they showed, the strong support which they gave the Saskatchewan rink, all are indicative of the fact that our people, in their Golden Jubilee year, were proud of the province and were hoping very much that our rink would bring home the Tankard. You have done that, and by doing that you have not only brought honour to the Province, but you have stimulated the pride which our people have in their own Province of Saskatchewan.

You have done something much more. You have given a demonstration to the young people of this Province of good sportsmanship and clean living and fine upstanding manhood. We are exceedingly proud to do you honour, today. We hope that the record which you have established will set a goal for other young athletes in our Province.

May I say, Mr. Speaker, that Saskatchewan is not going to be content with just the Macdonald Brier. We are going to go out after the junior hockey championship; we are going to go out, if we can, after the Dominion Drama Cup, and we are going to go out after the Grey Cup, emblematic of the football championship of Canada. We are going out to make this a good year. If the other groups who will be representing Saskatchewan during 1955 do as well as you have done in your field of athletics, then this will indeed be a very happy year. Whether we win or whether we lose in these other contests, nobody can take away from us the fact that you have brought the Macdonald Brier Tankard to Saskatchewan, and, most important of all, you have set a standard of good sportsmanship which, if it is followed by our

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other Saskatchewan athletes, will bring credit and renown to this Province.

It is, therefore, my privilege to make a formal presentation on behalf of the people of this province, through their elected representatives. All the people of this province, I am sure, would like to have some presentation made to you, that will tell you and your children, throughout the years, of this historic and unique event. We wanted something that you would be able to keep, something that the people in your community and the people in your own family, for many years to come, will be able to point to and say that 'that was presented to a member of our family by the people of Saskatchewan, through the Legislative Assembly, in 1955, when we brought home the Macdonald Brier Tankard.'

**Mr. Garnet Campbell:** — Mr. Speaker, Mr. Premier, on behalf of our rink I would like to thank you for the opportunity of being present here, today, and I would also like to thank all the people of Saskatchewan for giving us these very lovely gifts.

**Mr. Speaker:** — I would like to ask the father of these boys to say a few words. I think he is worthy of a lot of congratulation. I remarked to him that I have raised five boys, but I couldn't keep them together, working as a team, as his boys have done.

**Mr. 'Sandy' Campbell:** — Mr. Speaker, our Premier, and members of the Legislature, I thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me the privilege of saying a few words. After listening to the two previous speakers and hearing all those nice and flattering words about our boys, I just hope they will be better for it, and that their hats will still fit them.

My wife received a letter from a friend of hers, a few days ago, and in this letter this woman said that when she heard the boys speak over the radio, she thought they were plain 'home boys'. I like those words, Mr. Speaker. I think it is one reason that they have reached the top in curling, because they are just plain 'home boys'.

You have heard that old saying 'that all things come to those who wait'. When the boys went away for a week or so curling and their wives stayed home to keep the fires burning, and they would come back perhaps with some luggage, or a wrist watch or a shot gun, it wasn't much for the wives to get enthused over; but after seeing the lovely gifts that have been presented to our boys, this afternoon, I think it is quite appropriate, and I am sure that their wives will be delighted. I think perhaps, this time, the wives have got the best of the deal.

On behalf of the Campbells I would like to express our appreciation for those lovely gifts, also for an educational, entertaining and very pleasant afternoon.

Getting back to curling for a moment, it is almost incredible to think that this Cup has been in competition for the last twenty-six years and has never been brought to Saskatchewan before. However, Mr. Speaker, I hope now that we have it here we are going to keep it here, and when the boys lay down their brooms in curling, I hope some other young fellows will take them up and keep this Cup in Saskatchewan

for a long, long time.

The business of the Assembly was resumed.

The Assembly then adjourned at 4.25 o'clock p.m.