

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN
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The House met at three o'clock p.m.
On Orders of the Day

RAND FORMULA

Hon. I.C. Nollet (Minister of Agriculture) — Mr. Speaker, I am sure members would be interested in hearing of the discussion which has just taken place on the Rand formula.

I want to make it clear that we met with the Farmers' Union delegation and pointed out to them the difficulties of preparing legislation since the Session is so close to proroguing. We pointed out, too, our legal difficulties that need to be cleared up; and I believe I made it as clear as I could possibly have made it, that it would be very difficult to bring down legislation as late as this in the present Session.

RE NEWS STATEMENT

Hon. C.M. Fines (Provincial Treasurer) — Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day are called, I wish to bring to the attention of the Assembly an error made in the press. It appeared in both the 'Star Phoenix' and the 'Leader Post', and I just want to say at the outset that I think it was really a very excellent summary of The Vehicles Act — a most difficult Act to try to get a summary prepared for. The only reason I mention it is because it might encourage some people to break the law even more than they are doing today. The item lists 12 changes, and one of those says "Permitting passing on the right on one-way streets or where lane driving is in force." Now the first part of that is right, but the amendments do not permit passing on the right, even where there are lanes on the streets. What we are doing, this year, is to insist that motorists shall signal when going from one lane to another, and then, if they can learn to move properly from one lane to another, I hope, next year, that we might be able to introduce this legislation to allow them the privilege of passing on the right-hand side; but certainly the way they are driving, today, I would not want to take any chances on it.

The Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on several Bills and, after spending considerable time therein, adjourned at 10 o'clock p.m.