LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN

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The Assembly met at 2:30 o'clock p.m. On the Orders of the Day.

WELCOME TO STUDENTS

Hon. C.L.B. Estey (Saskatoon Nutana Centre): — Mr. Speaker, I would like to introduce to the House students from Haultain school who are here today with their teachers Mrs. Hogg and Mr. Street. These students are, I understand from The Leader Post, Mr. Speaker, from the fastest growing city in Canada. I am sure that the other Members of the House join with me in welcoming these people this afternoon.

Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. J.E. Brockelbank (Saskatoon Mayfair): — Mr. Speaker, I would like to introduce through you, and I am not sure whether they are here yet but they may come later in the afternoon, a group of students that will come from Saskatoon Mayfair constituency. They will be located, I understand, in the east gallery. They are from Sion junior high school and they will be accompanied by one of their teachers, Mr. Mooney. I hope that when they do arrive that they enjoy their stay in the Legislative Chamber this afternoon.

Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Hon. G.B. Grant (Regina South): — Mr. Speaker, I have a very pleasurable duty to perform this afternoon in introducing a group of grade eight students from Grant Road school on Grant Road in Grant constituency in the Regina south. These students are accompanied by Mrs. Newman. They have had a tour of the buildings and we welcome them this afternoon and wish them a very enjoyable stay.

Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

MOTIONS

Additional House Sittings

Hon. W.R. Thatcher (Premier): moved, seconded by the Hon. Provincial Treasurer (Mr. Steuart):

That notwithstanding Standing Order 2, this Assembly shall, commencing Friday, March 21, 1969, meet at

10:00 o'clock a.m. each sitting day, and that there shall be a recess from 12:30 o'clock p.m. until 2:30 o'clock p.m.; and

That on Wednesday, March 26, 1969, and on each Wednesday until the end of the Session, Standing Order 5 (2) be suspended so that the sitting of the Assembly may be continued from 7:30 o'clock p.m. until 10:00 o'clock p.m.

He said: Mr. Speaker, when I gave notice of this motion I discussed it with the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Lloyd). I think that he was agreeable. I indicated at the time that, if Crown Corporations had not finished when Friday arrived, we would not proceed this Friday. However I would like the Motion passed in its present form.

The Attorney General (Mr. Heald) introduced two very minor Bills today. I also gave notice of a minor one, and I hope that this will be the last bit of legislation that is introduced. I don't know of anything else to come in. Indeed we have told our appropriate officials that we hope no additional Bills will be introduced. I hope I can persuade my colleagues that this is a wise course.

Personally I would like to meet this Saturday but I understand that the Leader of the Opposition does not feel such a sitting is needed. But we most certainly will propose a motion to sit next Saturday and subsequent ones. We will also be sitting this Friday evening.

Mr. W.S. Lloyd (Leader of the Opposition): — Mr. Speaker, the Member from Moose Jaw North (Mr. Snyder) wants to know what we are going to do on Sunday. The Premier overlooked a perfectly good day.

Mr. Thatcher: — I will try and arrange it if you will agree.

Mr. Lloyd: — I think perhaps you would. Mr. Speaker, as the Premier said we had indicated general agreement with the resolution. It is of course true that Crown Corporations haven't finished and I would think there is at least one full morning left there. We could arrange this, of course, when we get to that point on Friday, if that is the only way open. I understand that tomorrow morning is not open because of one of the other Committees meeting.

I want to say with respect to next Saturday, I think there is no difficulty to us agreeing to a meeting at that time as well. It might be useful if we get to next Thursday or Friday and see what the schedule looks like for the following week. We might be able to avoid a Saturday meeting and still finish

up before the Easter Thursday. I hope that the Government might carry this in mind.

Mr. Thatcher: — One question. Did I understand the Leader of the Opposition to say that - I hadn't realized that Crown Corporations would not be sitting tomorrow - did I understand him to say that the Opposition might be agreeable if it held its meeting some other time than Friday morning?

Mr. Lloyd: — I did not mention that point at all, Mr. Speaker. The Crown Corporations will not be sitting tomorrow because the chairman told us that Private Bills Committee is meeting tomorrow, so that Friday morning is the day on which ordinarily the Crown Corporations would have proceeded and hopefully might have finished its work at that time.

Motion agreed to.

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Mr. Brockelbank: — Mr. Chairman, if I may be out of order for a moment. The students from Saskatoon Mayfair constituency and the fastest growing city in Canada have arrived and they are in the east gallery.

Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

The Assembly adjourned at 5:32 o'clock p.m.