

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN
First Session — Seventeenth Legislature
10th Day

Thursday, February 24, 1972.

The Assembly met at 11:00 o'clock a.m.
On the Orders of the Day.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION AND RETURN OF MR. A.R. GUY

Mr. Speaker: — The Legislative Assembly has received from the Chief Electoral Officer a certificate of the following election and return: Of Allan R. Guy, Esquire, as Member for the constituency of Athabasca.

Some Hon. Members: — Hear, hear!

VACANCY IN REPRESENTATION

Mr. Speaker: — Before the Orders of the Day I should like to inform the Assembly of the following vacancy in the representation in the constituency of Souris-Estevan by the death of R. Brown, Esquire, and the certificate of the following election and return of K. Thorson, Esquire, as Member for the constituency of Souris-Estevan and of J. Wiebe, Esquire as Member for the constituency of Morse.

ANNOUNCEMENT

RETIREMENT OF J.E. BROCKELBANK AS DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker: — I beg to inform the Assembly that I have received the following communication from The Hon. Mr. Brockelbank, Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Circumstances make it necessary that I ask the Legislative Assembly to allow me to retire from the post of Deputy Speaker, a position which I have felt greatly honoured to have occupied.

I have endeavoured to uphold the traditions connected with the office, and if any success has been achieved therein, it is because of the support and co-operation received from yourself, and the other Members of the Assembly.

Please convey my sincere thanks to them.

Yours very truly,
John E. Brockelbank.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

Hon. A.E. Blakeney (Premier): — Mr. Speaker, I should like to make a motion consequent upon your last announcement. I should like to move, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Romanow:

That Beverly M. Dyck, Esquire, Member for the Constituency of Saskatoon City Park be Deputy Speaker of this Assembly.

Agreed to.

PROROGATION

At 11:07 o'clock a.m. His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Chamber, and having taken his seat upon the Throne, was 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 you and congratulate you on the work you have done.

You have taken important steps to restore free access to health care services by removing deterrent fees and by extending free medical and hospital care to persons 65 and over.

You have removed a discriminatory financial burden from families of the mentally ill.

I thank you for moving so expeditiously to restore free collective bargaining and to improve hours and conditions of work in the province.

You have provided greater security for farmers facing financial difficulty by enacting The Family Farm Protection Act.

In taking leave of you, I desire to 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. Romanow, 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 the time set by His Honour for the Second Session of the Seventeenth Legislature for the dispatch of business and the Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.