

## THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

8:00 o'clock, Monday, July 17, 1972

Opening Prayer by Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER: Presenting Petitions; Reading and Receiving Petitions; Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees; Ministerial Statements and Tabling of Reports; Notices of Motion. The Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs.

NOTICES OF MOTION

HON. HOWARD R. PAWLEY (Minister of Municipal Affairs)(Selkirk): Mr. Speaker, I would hereby give notice that it is my intention to move a resolution tomorrow which would allow the Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs to continue its study with respect to Local Government Districts to facilitate matters. Copies of the proposed resolution will be distributed to all members for their consideration.

MR. SPEAKER: Introduction of Bills; Oral Questions; Orders of the Day. The Honourable Leader of the Liberal Party.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

MR. I. H. (IZZY) ASPER (Leader of the Liberal Party)(Wolseley): Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Tourism, I wonder -- (Interjection) -- Do you want to draw lots? Perhaps the question might go to the House Leader, Mr. Speaker, or to the Municipal Affairs. Perhaps the Minister of Municipal Affairs might be able to inform us if the province has or intends to make available financial assistance to the City of Winnipeg for the purchase of land at the junction of the Assiniboine and the Red River for the purpose of a public park?

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs.

MR. PAWLEY: Mr. Speaker, the question should really be referred to the Minister of Finance. It is a policy question but I'll take it as notice.

MR. SPEAKER: Orders of the Day. The Honourable House Leader.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

HON. RUSSELL PAULLEY (Minister of Labour) (Transcona): Mr. Speaker, it's my understanding and I must confess to my colleague the Minister of Municipal Affairs he put me behind the eight ball, but it is my understanding, Sir, that tonight the Committee on Municipal Affairs and also the Committee on Industrial Relations would meet at approximately 8:30 this evening to consider bills referred to them. Now, Mr. Speaker, I understand that the Committee on Agriculture met this afternoon to consider measures referred to them; it's also my understanding that the said committee have heard public representations. I indicated today that the House tomorrow morning might consider -- tomorrow morning - that the Committee on Law Amendments would meet and that Bill No. 53, which was originally scheduled for consideration for the Committee on Public Utilities in respect to Bill 53, that Bill 53 would be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Now I think it would be fitting and proper, subject of course to the will of the House and the committees thereof, that tonight we would go into Industrial Relations Committee and also Municipal Committee to hear matters referred to those two committees; that tomorrow morning the Committee on Law Amendments would meet to hear all bills referred; and I would suggest, Mr. Speaker, that the House would meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 to hear other matters referred. My colleague the Minister of Municipal Affairs has introduced a resolution to the effect that --(Interjection)-- My colleague the Minister of Municipal Affairs has introduced a motion to the effect that the Committee on Municipal Affairs should meet in-between sessions, and possibly this could be considered when we meet tomorrow afternoon, and a decision arrived at as to whether we should meet or not. Now I think for this evening, Mr. Speaker, that it would be fitting and proper that instead of the House being adjourned until tomorrow morning or to some subsequent time, that the Speaker leave the Chair now, the Mace remain on the table for the purpose of -- and that the Committee on Industrial Relations, or Labour Relations I should - no, Industrial Relations, and also the Committee on Municipal Affairs should meet and that at some other time this evening, Mr. Speaker, that the House reconvene to consider our procedures.

So, Mr. Speaker, if there is no objection then I would suggest, Mr. Speaker, then I would

(MR. PAULLEY cont'd) . . . . suggest, Sir, that you leave your Chair, the Committees go into their deliberations, and that at the call of the House Leader or the government that we reconvene at some later time this evening to consider the procedures of the House.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Leader of the Liberal Party.

MR. ASPER: Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, did I understand the decision of the House Leader was that we go into committee at 8:30 or now?

MR. PAULLEY: Mr. Speaker, in all deference to my friend, I think the hour of 8:30 was given publicly and that I would suggest, Mr. Speaker, that you do now leave the Chair and that the Committees would be convened somewhere around 8:30 but you hold yourself, Sir, ready to come back on call at some later time either tonight or tomorrow or some convenient time.

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable Leader of the Liberal Party.

MR. ASPER: Mr. Speaker, I wasn't aware that the question period had ended. Inasmuch as we have a few minutes, Mr. House Leader, I wonder if the House Leader would consent to reopen questioning while we wait.

MR. PAULLEY: Mr. Speaker, I have no objections whatsoever, I give full latitude to my honourable friend providing it is done of course with the consent of the House.

MR. SPEAKER: Before we proceed, and I ask the House whether they wish to revert to oral questions, may I ask the House Leader -- Order, please. I haven't asked -- Would the Honourable Member for Riel sit down? All I wanted to do was ask the House Leader whether he would ring the bell for the other members who may not be members of the two committees he mentioned, so that they would know when the House would meet. Is that agreeable?

MR. PAULLEY: Mr. Speaker, I didn't hear what you said because of some interruptions on this side of the House and also other sides of the House. It is my intention, Sir, that you leave your Chair now, the Mace stay on its table, and the House reconvene itself at call.

MR. SPEAKER: Exactly the point I was asking of the House Leader. Will he ring the buzzer so the other members who are not members of the committee will know when to come in. If he agrees to that, I am leaving the Chair -- Is there a point of order? The Honourable Member for Riel.

MR. DONALD W. CRAIK (Riel): On a point of order, a resolution has been introduced by the Minister as a Ministerial Statement and I believe he has put the House Leader in a very unenviable position because a resolution like this has to normally appear in Votes and Proceedings before being considered by the House and I think that they ought to get together and consider whether this is possible, this . . .

MR. SPEAKER: Order, please. The Honourable Member for Riel's point of order is not one that can have validity. The motion was made under Notices of Motion which is correct in respect to procedure. The Honourable Minister of Labour.

MR. PAULLEY: To allay the minds of all members, I will ask that the bells ring in order to recall the members from their various occupations for the reconvening of the House which is not necessary, but I will do it and I hope the bells in the head of the Member for Lakeside do not ring ahead of time.

MR. SPEAKER: I am now leaving the Chair and shall return at the call of the Assembly. I indicated that I will now leave the Chair and return at the call of the Assembly.

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#### REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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

MR. WALLY JOHANNSON (St. Matthews): Mr. Speaker, with leave, I beg to present the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs.

MR. SPEAKER: Is leave agreed to? Agreed.

MR. CLERK: Your Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs begs leave to present the following as their Fourth Report.

Your Committee has considered: Bill No. 109 - An Act to amend The City of Winnipeg Act.

And has agreed to report the same with certain amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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

MR. JOHANNSON: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Honourable Member for St. George that the Report of the Committee be received.

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

MR. SPEAKER: The Honourable House Leader.

MR. PAULLEY: Mr. Speaker, I am sure that honourable members are aware that the suggestion was that we would meet tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in Law Amendments Committee to consider bills referred thereto including Bill 53, and that that would be the procedure, Sir, for tomorrow morning; and that the House would meet tomorrow afternoon at the regular time of 2:30. Unless I have any strenuous objections of the members of the Assembly I suggest that this should be the order of procedure for tomorrow. Has the Honourable Leader of the Opposition some comment? Okay.

So, therefore, Mr. Speaker, I beg to move, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance that the House do now adjourn and stand adjourned until 2:30 tomorrow afternoon.

MR. SPEAKER presented the motion and after a voice vote declared the motion carried and the House adjourned until 2:30 tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon.