

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA
8:00 o'clock, Monday, March 11th, 1963

MADAM SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question?

Madam Speaker put the question and after a voice vote declared the motion lost.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeas and Nays, please, Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: Call in the members. The question before the House being the proposed motion of the Honourable Leader of the Opposition in amendment thereto as follows: "but this House regrets that your Honour's government has, by its indecision and procrastination, failed to resolve the problems which confront the people of Manitoba and therefore lacks the confidence of this House."

A standing vote was taken, the result being as follows:

YEAS: Messrs. Campbell, Cherniack, Froese, Gray, Guttormson, Hillhouse, Hryhorczuk, Molgat, Paulley, Peters, Smerchanski, Tanchak, Wright.

NAYS: Messrs. Baizley, Beard, Bilton, Carroll, Cowan, Evans, Groves, Hamilton, Hutton, Jeannotte, Klym, Lissaman, McDonald, McGregor, McKellar, McLean, Martin, Mills, Roblin, Shewman, Smellie, Stanes, Steinkopf, Strickland, Watt, Weir, Witney. Mrs. Morrison.

MR. CLERK: Yeas, 13; Nays, 28.

MADAM SPEAKER: I declare the motion lost. The proposed motion of the Honourable Member for Turtle Mountain for an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in answer to his speech at the opening of the Session.

MR. T. P. HILLHOUSE, Q. C. (Selkirk): Madam Speaker, I wish to move, seconded by the Honourable Member for Lakeside, that the debate be adjourned.

Madam Speaker presented the motion and after a voice vote declared the motion carried.

MADAM SPEAKER: The adjourned debate standing in the name of the Honourable Member for Inkster. The Honourable Member for Pembina.

MRS. CAROLYNE MORRISON (Pembina): Madam Speaker, I beg leave of the House to let this motion stand.

MADAM SPEAKER: The proposed resolution standing in the name of the Honourable Member for Inkster.

MR. GRAY: Madam Speaker, I asked for some information from the department almost a week ago and I still didn't get it. If they don't bring it in tomorrow, I am going to speak.

MADAM SPEAKER: Stand. The adjourned debate standing in the name of the Honourable Leader of the New Democratic Party. The Honourable Member for Roblin.

HON. DUFF ROBLIN (Premier) (Wolseley): Madam Speaker, my honourable friend has informed me that he would be unavoidably detained in the early part of the proceedings tonight, so I would ask that this matter stand.

MADAM SPEAKER: The proposed resolution of the Honourable Member for St. Boniface.

MR. GUTTORMSON: Madam Speaker, the member for St. Boniface is ill. Please have the matter stand.

MADAM SPEAKER: Second reading of Bill No. 14. The Honourable Member for Selkirk.

MR. HILLHOUSE presented Bill No. 14, an Act for the relief of Leslie Lidstone and Lucienne Marie Lidstone, for second reading.

Madam Speaker presented the motion.

MR. HILLHOUSE: Madam Speaker, the explanation of this bill is completely found in the petition, but maybe some of the members have not read the petition so I will read it to them. Leslie Lidstone is the father of an infant child known as Lucienne Marie Lidstone who was born on the 10th day of February, 1958. She was admitted to Ste. Rose Hospital in Manitoba on the 25th day of May, 1958, to receive treatment for asthma. She was four months old at that time. While in the hospital, she was severely burned. The petitioner -- he lives in Port Alberni in the Province of British Columbia -- he took the child back to British Columbia and, on his arrival, he consulted a Mr. McCulloch of a certain law firm in connection with taking action against the hospital. Negotiations were started by the solicitor on behalf of Mr. Lidstone with General Accident and Fire Life Insurance Corporation, the insurer of the hospital, and these negotiations

(Mr. Hillhouse cont'd) carried on until the middle of 1960 when Mr. McCulloch was disbarred by the British Columbia bar. The insurance company did pay for certain medical expenses incurred in connection with this child, but they refused to pay in respect of an operation that was performed; and it was only after the refusal of the insurance company to pay that the father found to his dismay that there was a period of limitations in our Hospital Act. At no time prior to that had he ever been informed by the lawyer who was acting for him that there was a period of one year within which to bring action.

The purpose of this petition is to enable the petitioner to bring an action in a court in Manitoba. It is not for the purpose of settling the liabilities of the Hospital, but for the purpose of allowing the petitioner to bring the action and have the court set these liabilities. I would therefore ask that the House pass this bill.

Madam Speaker put the question and after a voice vote declared the motion carried.

MADAM SPEAKER: Bill No. 16, an Act to incorporate the Nelson Finance Corporation. The Honourable Member for Selkirk.

MR. HILLHOUSE presented Bill No. 16 for second reading.

Madam Speaker presented the motion.

MR. HILLHOUSE: Madam Speaker, in Manitoba, as in Canada, we are the only two jurisdictions which require a loan company to apply to the Legislature for a special Act. In all other jurisdictions they can apply under their respective Companies' Act. That is the reason why this bill is coming before you in the form that it is rather than an application to the Provincial Secretary under The Companies' Act.

MR. GRAY: Madam Speaker, can anyone in this House tell us how many loan companies we now have in Manitoba?

HON. GURNEY EVANS (Minister of Industry & Commerce) (Fort Rouge): Presumably that might be directed to me, Madam Speaker, and I can't offhand. If the honourable member would care to ask for an Order for Return I have no doubt the information could be provided.

MR. RUSSELL PAULLEY (Leader of the New Democratic Party) (Radisson): I would like to move, seconded by the Honourable Member for Inkster, that the debate be adjourned.

Madam Speaker presented the motion and after a voice vote declared the motion carried.

MADAM SPEAKER: Bill No. 17, an Act to incorporate Bel Acres Golf and Country Club. The Honourable Member for Assiniboia.

MR. GUTTORMSON: Madam Speaker, may we have this matter stand please.

MR. ROBLIN: Madam Speaker, I beg to move, seconded by the Honourable Minister of Industry and Commerce, that the House do now adjourn.

Madam Speaker presented the motion and after a voice vote declared the motion carried and the House adjourned until 2:30 Tuesday afternoon.