



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 17

FOURTH SESSION, THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYERS

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 201)

Mrs. ROWAT moved:

THAT Bill (No. 201) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act (Grandparent Access)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille (droit de visite des grands-parents), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. ROWAT having spoken,

By leave, Mr. SWAN withdrew his adjournment motion,

And Mr. REIMER, Mrs. TAILLIEU, Messrs. DYCK, LAMOUREUX and FAURSCHOU having spoken,

And Mr. SCHELLENBERG moved:

THAT the debate be now adjourned.

And the Question being put. Pursuant to Rule 23(4) and as previously agreed to by the House, the division is deferred to take place at 11:55 a.m. during Private Members' Business on December 1, 2005.

Ms. KORZENIOWSKI moved:

Resolution No. 1: Warbrides

WHEREAS during the entire six years of the second world war tens of thousands of Canadian soldiers were posted overseas mainly in Britain, but all over the world; and

WHEREAS during that time many servicemen and women married foreign nationals in those countries in which they were stationed; and

WHEREAS there were nearly 45,000 women who married Canadian servicemen stationed overseas during the second world war, with 93% of these women coming from the United Kingdom; and

WHEREAS during and after the war these war brides as they were known left their friends, family and ultimately their home countries in great numbers to come and settle and build their lives in Canada; and

WHEREAS in the period from 1942 to 1948 over 64,000 war brides and dependents immigrated to Canada to start their new lives; and

WHEREAS the war brides along with their returning husbands became the new workers, entrepreneurs and leaders of the burgeoning Canadian economy as well as providing the solid foundation for the next generation of Canadians; and

WHEREAS the important sacrifices and work done by war brides took place far from the public eye has yet to receive the recognition it deserves.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to recognize the enormous sacrifice made by war brides as well as their great contributions to Canada.

And a debate arising,

And Ms. KORZENIOWSKI, Mrs. ROWAT, Hon. Ms. MCGIFFORD, Mrs. MITCHELSON, Mr. JENNISSEN, Mrs. DRIEDGER and Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to, unanimously.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were respectively read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 16) – The Corporations Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les corporations
(Hon. Mr. SELINGER)

(No. 17) – The Securities Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les valeurs mobilières
(Hon. Mr. SELINGER)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Premier of Manitoba to consider covering the cost of insulin pumps that are prescribed by an Endocrinologist or Medical Doctor under the Manitoba Health Insurance Plan. (B. Breckman, M. Homenick, A. Novak and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to consider the need to seek clarification on why the Government did not act on fixing the Crocus fund back in 2001. (A. Maniar, V. Maniar, J. Kowal and others)

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH presented:

Annual Report of the Victim Services Complaints for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005.
(Sessional Paper No. 23)

Annual Report of the Law Enforcement Review Agency for the year ending December 31, 2004.
(Sessional Paper No. 24)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. DYCK, MARTINDALE, CUMMINGS and MALOWAY and Mrs. ROWAT made Members' Statements.

Prior to Grievances, Mr. EICHLER rose on a Matter of Urgent Public Importance and moved:

THAT in accordance with Rule 36(1) the ordinary business of the House be set aside to deal with a Matter of Urgent Public Importance, namely: The Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives, on behalf of all Manitobans and the agriculture community, will be participating in discussions with the Federal Government and Provincial Agricultural Ministers this week to determine a negotiating position for the upcoming World Trade Organization (WTO) talks. Members of the Legislature need to provide advice to the Minister of Agriculture prior to the meeting with her provincial and federal counterparts, leading up to the important WTO round of negotiations.

And Mr. EICHLER, Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH and by leave, Mr. LAMOUREUX having spoken to the urgency of the motion,

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker ruled as follows:

I thank the Honourable Members for their advice to the Chair on whether the motion proposed by the Honourable Member for Lakeside should be debated today. The notice required by Rule 36(1) was provided. Under our Rules and Practices, the subject matter requiring urgent consideration must be so pressing that the public interest will suffer if the matter is not given immediate attention. There must also be no other reasonable opportunities to raise the matter.

I do not doubt that this matter is one that is of serious concern to some Members in the House.

I have listened very carefully to the arguments put forward, however I was not persuaded that the ordinary business of the House should be set aside to deal with this issue today. Although undoubtedly this is a very serious issue that the Member has brought forward, I do not believe that the public interest will be harmed if the business of the House is not set aside to debate the motion today.

Additionally, I would like to note that there are other avenues for Members to raise this issue, including questions in Question Period, and raising the item under Grievances.

Therefore, with the greatest of respect, I must rule that this matter does not meet the criteria set by our Rules and Precedents and I rule the motion out of order as a Matter of Urgent Public Importance.

In accordance with Rule 27, Messrs. PENNER and FAURSCHOU rose on Grievances.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Diabetes Strategy Resolution will be considered next Tuesday, November 29, 2005.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SALE:

THAT Bill (No. 5) – The Dental Hygienists Act/Loi sur les hygiénistes dentaires, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mr. DYCK,

And Mrs. STEFANSON having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. SALE:

THAT Bill (No. 6) – The Dental Association Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'Association dentaire, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And leave having been denied to have the matter remain in the name of Mr. DYCK,

And Mrs. STEFANSON having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK:

THAT Bill (No. 11) – The Winter Heating Cost Control Act/Loi sur la limitation des frais de chauffage en hiver, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. SANTOS and SWAN having spoken,

The debate was allowed, by leave, to remain in the name of Mr. DERKACH.

Hon. Mr. ASHTON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 13) – The Conservation Districts Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les districts de conservation, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. ASHTON having spoken,

And Mr. FAURSCHOU speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 23, 2005.

Hon. George HICKES,
Speaker.