

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 230).

Hon. Mr. GERRARD moved:

THAT Bill (No. 230) – The Mental Health Bill of Rights/Déclaration des droits des personnes ayant une maladie mentale, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GERRARD, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS, Mrs. DRIEDGER, Messrs. MARTINDALE and LAMOUREUX having spoken,

And Ms. KORZENIOWSKI speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE moved:

Resolution No. 10: 90th Anniversary of 1919 Winnipeg General Strike

WHEREAS for more than six weeks in the spring of 1919 Winnipeg experienced an unprecedented display of labour solidarity between local union and non-union workers from the private and public sectors; and

WHEREAS the Winnipeg General Strike of 1919 was precipitated by opposition to the principle of collective bargaining, and the need for better wages and working conditions; and

WHEREAS the strikers were seeking to achieve social and economic justice by peaceful means, but were nonetheless confronted with aggressive reactions from their employers and various levels of government, including the events of June 21, 1919 known as "Bloody Saturday", a day when the Royal North-West Mounted Police, riding on horseback, charged and fired into a crowd of strike supporters, resulting in many injured, numerous arrests and one death; and

WHEREAS the Winnipeg General Strike was fundamental in influencing legislators to oblige employers to recognize the rights of workers to bargain through their union; and

WHEREAS the people of Winnipeg showed their support for the goals of the strike by going on to elect many of the strike leaders to public office, including Canadian social gospel pioneer J. S. Woodsworth, who later became the founding leader of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba recognize the significant historical contribution of the Winnipeg General Strike in 1919 to the struggle for social justice in Manitoba; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the Winnipeg General Strike as an important historical event in the development of this province.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. BLAIKIE, Mrs. TAILLIEU, Messrs. MARTINDALE and SCHULER, Ms. MARCELINO and Mr. PEDERSEN having spoken,

And Mr. FAURSCHOU speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mrs. MITCHELSON, Bill (No. 236) – The Child and Family Services Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services à l'enfant et à la famille, was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Premier and the NDP Government to call a meeting of a Standing Committee of the Legislature and invite representatives of the WRHA to appear before it. (L. Rosko, R. Keyser, R. Slayen and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to consider working with the Parkland Regional Health Authority to provide a centrally located ambulance and station in the area of Eddystone, Bacon Ridge and Ebb and Flow First Nation. (R. Rempel, C. Houle, M. Houle and others)

Mr. DYCK – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Health to ensure that patients who are awaiting placement in a personal care home are not moved to distant communities and to consider working with the RHA and the community to speed construction and expansion of long term care facilities in the region. (L. Dewitt, A. Voth, S. Elias and others)

Mr. SCHULER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Transportation consider the immediate twinning of the PTH #15 Floodway Bridge for the safety of the citizens of Manitoba. (J. Toews, C. Bredin, S. Searle and others)

Mrs. MITCHELSON – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Attorney General consider refunding all monies collected from photo radar tickets given to motorists driving the regular posted speed limit in construction zones where no workers were present. (E. Scrapneck, P. Duncan, K. Jackson and others)

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. MAGUIRE, JENNISSEN and DYCK, Ms. BRICK and Mr. PEDERSEN made Members' Statements.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Filipino Community Celebrates 50 Years of Being in Manitoba Resolution sponsored by the Honourable Member for Inkster will be considered next Tuesday, May 26, 2009.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

Ms. BRICK, Deputy Chairperson of the Committee of Supply, presented the Report of the Proceedings of the Committee of May 12, 2009 as follows:

CAPITAL SUPPLY

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that there be granted to HER MAJESTY a sum not exceeding ONE BILLION, THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN MILLION, NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND dollars (\$1,315,979,000) for CAPITAL SUPPLY, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010.

Schedule A Incremental Capital Authority Requirements For Non-Budgetary Programs, 2009/10

The Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board	\$ 535,000,000
Manitoba Opportunities Fund Ltd	137,329,000
The Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation	131,333,000
Business Support (including Manitoba Industrial Opportunities Program)	123,283,000
Post-secondary Institutions	116,829,000
The Manitoba Lotteries Corporation	104,300,000
Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation	60,332,000
Health Capital Program	30,186,000
Special Operating Agencies Financing Authority	
— Vehicles and Equipment Management Agency	23,000,000
Manitoba Student Aid Program	13,926,000
Communities Economic Development Fund	9,225,000
Rural Entrepreneur Assistance Program	8,656,000
Northern Affairs Communities	8,200,000
The Manitoba Water Services Board	5,740,000
Diagnostic Services Manitoba	4,268,000
Special Operating Agencies Financing Authority — Vital Statistics Agency	1,272,000
Manitoba Film Guarantee Program	1,000,000
Leaf Rapids Town Properties Ltd.	1,000,000
Special Operating Agencies Financing Authority — Companies Office	800,000
Special Operating Agencies Financing Authority — Pineland Forest Nursery	300,000

\$1,315,979,000

Resolution was reported and the Report was received.

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

By leave, it was agreed to waive Rule 78(4) in order for the Opposition House Leader to table a list of Ministers to be called for questioning in the debate on the concurrence motion on Wednesday, May 20, 2009.

The House then adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, 2009.

Hon. George HICKES, Speaker.