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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Speaker's Statement — Commonwealth Day

Hon. Members, today, March 11th, 1996 is Commonwealth Day and is commemorated by parliamentarians throughout the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth has a special importance for us because it consists of a group of nations which share our own tradition of parliamentary self-government. It is worthy of our deepest commitment and our strongest support. Commonwealth Day gives us the opportunity of pledging ourselves to rid our world of poverty, ignorance and injustice and to do our best for the promotion of world peace and prosperity. The Alberta Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association is comprised of all Members of the Legislative Assembly and the association has enriched the sharing of parliamentary ideas with our colleagues. In commemoration of Commonwealth Day 1996, Members will find a copy of Her Majesty's Message on their desks.

Notices of Motions

Mr. Doerksen, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the Red Deer College Kings on winning the Canadian Colleges men's volleyball championship for the second year in a row on Saturday, March 9, 1996, in Truro, Nova Scotia.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier:

Letter, dated March 11, 1996, from Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, to Jann Arden, Music Works Inc., Calgary, offering congratulations on being awarded the 1996 Juno Award for Best Video, "Good Mother"

Sessional Paper 699/96

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development:

Letters, dated March 11, 1996, from Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, to Alberta participants at the 1996 Arctic Winter Games in Alaska, offering congratulations for medals won

Sessional Paper 700/96

Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development:

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M228 asked for by Dr. Nicol on May 10, 1995:

Copies of all published data and materials compiled between January 1, 1992, and April 4, 1995, to justify the Government's position that Alberta farmers support the right to access a continental market for wheat and barley.

Sessional Paper 228A/96

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M229 asked for by Dr. Nicol on May 10, 1995:

All data from January 1, 1993 to April 5, 1995, which illustrates the level of credentials or participation in retraining by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development employees whose job description has been reclassified to Regional Specialists.

Sessional Paper 229A/96

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M230 asked for by Dr. Nicol on May 10, 1995:

How many escapes of domesticated game animals to the wild and how many incidences of domesticated game animals and wild game animals mixing on game farms have occurred since the inception of game farming in Alberta to March 30, 1995.

Sessional Paper 230A/96

Hon. Mr. Ady, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-5.5, s13:

Alberta Advanced Education and Career Development, Business Plan and Supplementary Information, 1996-99

Sessional Paper 11/96

Hon. Mr. Ady, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development:

Medicine Hat College, Annual Report 1994-95

Sessional Paper 701/96

Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Annual Report 1995

Sessional Paper 702/96

Grant MacEwan Community College, Annual Report 1994-95

Sessional Paper 703/96

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-27, s12(2) and 13(2):

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Second Quarter Investment Report, 1995-96

Sessional Paper 704/96

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Third Quarter Investment Report, 1995-96

Sessional Paper 705/96

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer:

Documents relating to the Province's sale of its securities in Vencap Equities to Onex Corporation

Sessional Paper 706/96

Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Transportation and Utilities:

Response to Written Question No. Q158 asked for by Mr. N. Taylor on March 6, 1996:

How many non-fatal and how many fatal accidents occurred each year between January 1, 1992 and December 31, 1995 on each of the following roads: the bridge over the North Saskatchewan River, immediately north of Fort Saskatchewan; between the north end of the bridge and the north east end of the Manning Freeway; on highway 37 between the north east end of the Manning Freeway and Highway 28A; and on the Manning Freeway between the north east end of the Freeway and Highway 28A?

Sessional Paper 158/96

Response to Written Question No. Q163 asked for by Mr. Wickman on March 6, 1996:

What are the detailed procedural steps used to determine the 92 percent pay out level of video lottery terminals owned by the Government?

Sessional Paper 163/96

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M171 asked for by Mr. Wickman on March 6, 1996:

Copies of tests and/or data which certify the 92 percent pay out level of individual video lottery terminals owned by the Government.

Sessional Paper 171/96

Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M276 asked for by Mr. Dickson on November 1, 1995:

A copy of the report Review of Privatization of Correctional Services in Alberta.
Sessional Paper 276A/96

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore:

News release, dated March 8, 1996, from the Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation, entitled, "Decision Made on Future Operations of Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation"

Sessional Paper 707/96

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Letter, dated March 11, 1996, from Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding concerns about diminished accountability arising from recent changes to the budget review process

Sessional Paper 708/96

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan:

Letter, dated March 6, 1996, from Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, to Hon. Ms Copps, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Canadian Heritage, regarding recent increases in AGT (Alberta Government Telephones) rates for residential users

Sessional Paper 709/96

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, filed the following:

News release, dated March 8, 1996, from the Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation, entitled, "Decision Made on Future Operations of Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation"

Sessional Paper 710/96

Tabling Returns and Reports

Unanimous consent of the Assembly was granted to revert to Tabling Returns and Reports.

Hon. Mr. Schumacher, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 109:

Legislative Assembly Office, Annual Report 1995

Sessional Paper 711/96

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Doerksen, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the Red Deer College Kings on winning the Canadian Colleges men's volleyball championship for the second year in a row on Saturday, March 9, 1996, in Truro, Nova Scotia.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to unanimously.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

11. Moved by Hon. Mr. Dinning:

Be it resolved that the Message of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 1996-97 Lottery Fund Estimates, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

12. Moved by Hon. Mr. Dinning:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(6), the number of days that the Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 1996-97 Lottery Fund Estimates shall be one day.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, indicated by memo to Hon. Mr. Schumacher, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, dated February 21, 1996, he would absent himself from the Assembly during debate on Bill 6, Gaming and Liquor Act, because of a private interest in the Canmore Hotel.

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 7 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment and Repeal Act, 1996 —
Mr. Severtson

A debate followed.

Mr. Henry moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 6 Gaming and Liquor Act — Hon. Dr. West

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Dr. West, Acting Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., at 5:18 p.m. it was agreed that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1996 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Days 12 and 13 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Subcommittees)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Clegg reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Provincial Treasurer (Subcommittee A), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Public Works, Supply and Services (Subcommittee C), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to table copies of a document tabled by Hon. Mr. Dinning, during Committee of Supply (Subcommittee A) consideration of the Estimates of the Provincial Treasurer:

Pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-5.5, s13:

Alberta Treasury Business Plan and Supplementary Information,
1996-97 to 1998-99

Sessional Paper 126/96

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 11 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 1996 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:32 p.m. until Tuesday, March 12, 1996, at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Monday, March 11, 1996