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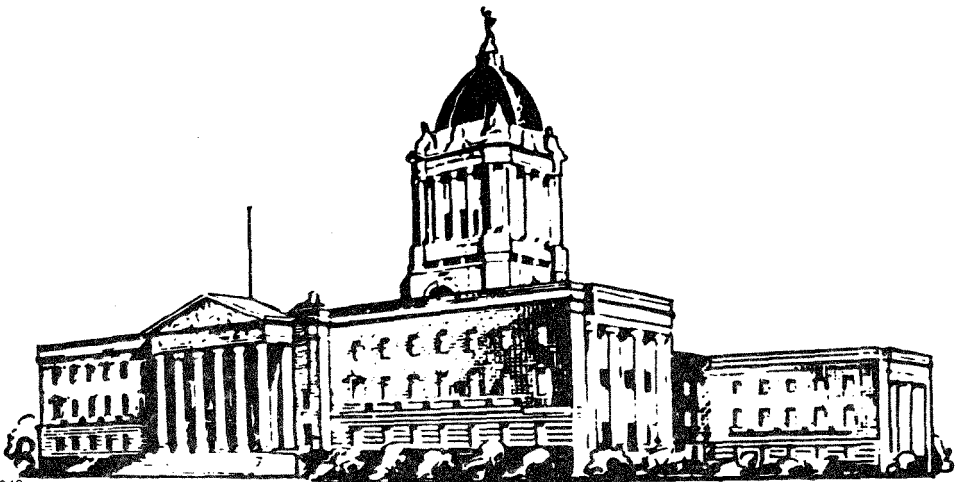
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they go and see the doctor and he recommends them to Deer Lodge they certainly will look at it. It's some of the same administration, Dr. McDonald is there, and I'm sure that they will be well taken care of.

**MR. CHAIRMAN:** Order please. The hour is 4:30, time for Private Members' Hour. The committee will reconvene at 8:00 p.m.

**IN SESSION  
PRIVATE MEMBERS' HOUR**

**MR. SPEAKER:** Order please. The time being 4:30 and Private Members' Hour, the first item on the agenda for Tuesday afternoon are Adjourned Debates on Second Readings of Private Bills.

**ADJOURNED DEBATES  
ON SECOND READING - PRIVATE BILLS  
BILL NO. 38 - THE SOCIETY OF  
MANAGEMENT  
ACCOUNTANTS OF MANITOBA ACT**

**MR. SPEAKER:** On the proposed motion of the Honourable Member for Inkster, Bill No. 38 standing in the name of the Honourable Member for Roblin-Russeil.

**MR. W. MCKENZIE:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In addressing this Bill No. 38, several municipal secretaries have been in contact with me and expressed certain concerns and reservations regarding this bill, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, for many years the Secretary-Treasurers of municipalities in the province have been encouraged by the Department of Municipal Affairs to take an extension course at the University of Manitoba to upgrade their qualifications. Not only, Mr. Speaker, were the secretaries encouraged to take the course, after they completed the course, they were designated and had the authority of the designation of certified municipal administrators and used the letters CMA after their names as I understand.

The Act creating the Manitoba Secretary-Treasurers Association in 1955, as I review it, was amended and was changed to the Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association Act I believe, or Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association Incorporated.

The Secretary-Treasurers, Mr. Speaker, object to the portion of the bill which would prevent any other party or association from using the designation CMA, and which would give the right to The Society of Management Accountants of Manitoba to have the sole use of those initials. In the bill, Mr. Speaker, it gives them the authority to bring a court action with fines from \$25 to \$500.00.

So, Mr. Speaker, I would think that we better take a close look at this bill and on behalf of the Municipal Secretary-Treasurers of the province and see if we can avoid, in committee, some of the problems that have been drawn to my attention.

**QUESTION put, MOTION carried.**

**SECOND READING - PRIVATE BILLS**

**MR. SPEAKER:** Bill 59, the Honourable Member for Inkster is not present.

The Honourable Member for Riel. (Stands)

**ADJOURNED DEBATE  
ON SECOND READING - PUBLIC BILLS**

**MR. SPEAKER:** On the proposed Motion of the Honourable Member for St. Norbert, Bill No. 41, standing in the name for the Honourable Member for Concordia.

**MR. P. FOX:** Stand, Mr. Speaker.

**MR. SPEAKER:** On the proposed motion of the Honourable Member for Brandon West, Bill No. 56, standing in the name for the Honourable Member for Springfield.

**MR. A. ANSTETT:** Stand please, Mr. Speaker.

**RES. NO. 13 - YOUTH PARLIAMENT  
OF MANITOBA**

**MR. SPEAKER:** Resolution No. 13.  
The Honourable Member for Virden.

**MR. H. GRAHAM:** Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.  
I beg to move, seconded by the Honourable Member for Concordia:

WHEREAS Youth Parliament of Manitoba desires to incorporate under The Corporations Act of the Province of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Director of Corporations of Manitoba will not allow the name Youth Parliament of Manitoba to be used unless a consent is obtained from the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba consents to the Youth Parliament of Manitoba incorporating under the name Youth Parliament of Manitoba.

**MOTION presented.**

**MR. SPEAKER:** The Honourable Member for Virden.

**MR. H. GRAHAM:** Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I have had the pleasure of sitting in this Assembly with members who have in the past taken an active part in the Youth Parliament movement. I believe this started under the name the Tuxis Boys' Parliament some 60 odd years ago, but it has carried on for many years under various names. Last year on November 3rd a group under the name Youth Parliament of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario applied to the Director of Corporations in Manitoba for incorporation as a non-profit organization.

At that time the Director of the Corporations Branch rejected the application; didn't reject it in total, in his remarks he said, "Subject to appropriate consents from the offices of the Legislative Assemblies of Manitoba and Ontario." That reply was dated on the 5th of

November last year. I will table this. That's a copy of the reply from Mr. Conn.

Subsequent to that there was an application by the council for the Youth Parliament group, Mr. Harold Clubine, and I believe that application probably went through your office, Sir. A recommendation went to the Rules Committee of this Assembly for an application for their consent and this appeared before the Rules Committee which met on February 7th of this year, and I won't bother members with reading of the various debate that went on at that time, but if anybody is interested in reading it, they can look at Pages 78 and 79 of the Hansard of the Standing Committee on Rules of the House on February 7th of this year.

At that time, as a member of that committee, I raised an objection to the Rules Committee giving that consent based on the fact that I felt that it was only proper that the entire House should make the decision on such matters. So, as a result, somebody at that committee meeting said, well, who's going to look after it in the House, so I agreed to sponsor the resolution, and the Member for Concordia — (Interjection) — in his remarks sort of agreed with me, so that was why I had asked him to - he can speak later - why I got him to second the motion.

Well, Mr. Speaker, I subsequently received a letter from Mr. Clubine addressed to me on the 20th of April, in which he said, "I act for the Youth Parliament in Manitoba who wish to incorporate under The Manitoba Corporations Act. The Director of Corporations of Manitoba will not allow the incorporation under the above name unless the Legislative Assembly consents to the use of the name. I enclose a copy of a resolution in duplicate covering the consent by the Legislative Assembly, and I request that you present same to the Assembly."

Well, Mr. Speaker, in the meantime, when the Director of Corporations suggested that they required the consent of both Legislative Assemblies and seeing as how the Youth Parliament is predominantly Manitoban, they have decided to apply for registration under the name Youth Parliament of Manitoba and that doesn't mean that the people that have been attending from northwestern Ontario will not continue to attend. They will still be invited and still take part as before.

One of the reasons that I asked of the people from the Youth Parliament, and I should mention their names: Mr. Bruce Johannson, who will be the incoming Premier of the next Youth Parliament, and Mr. Jim Bell, who will be the incoming Speaker.

One of the questions I asked them was, why would they want to incorporate? Because for many years, they have operated without incorporating, but the financial times have changed, Mr. Speaker, and this group have traditionally relied on corporate and private donations to help them in covering the cost of their operations. They provided me with a financial report for 1982-83 - a copy of which I will also table - which indicates that in excess of 20 percent of their income they received from donations, so one-fifth of the money they require to carry out their operations, they received from donations of some kind or another. Now, if they were incorporated as a non-profit charitable organization and had a tax number that they could use for charitable donations, it would assist them significantly in receiving donations. That, I think, is the

main reason why they have applied for incorporation. So, I will table this financial statement for any member that wishes to peruse it.

As a consequence, I was convinced that it was a worthwhile cause, and I believe most members of this Assembly are convinced that it's a worthwhile cause. You realize in today's society where the unemployment in the young people is almost three times as high as the average in the province. You realize then why it's somewhat difficult for them to cover the entire costs of the operation of their Youth Parliament, which goes on for three or four days here during the Christmas break. When you have young people as dedicated as they are to the political spectrum, and interest in current affairs, I think they should be encouraged in their activities. This Legislature has always seen fit to encourage them by granting them the use of this Assembly for their deliberations and I hope that practice continues for many years to come.

If you take all these reasons together, Mr. Speaker, I think that it's a very worthwhile resolution that's before us. I would hope that it gets speedy passage in this House, so the young people can carry on with their wishes to incorporate under the name, Youth Parliament of Manitoba. Thank you very much.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The Honourable Member for Concordia.

**MR. P. FOX:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think the members should hold their applause until I'm finished, they may not like what I have to say.

I want to indicate that I want to support this resolution. Having perused it and, of course, done a bit of research on it have come to the conclusion that it is desirable and it is necessary. I have in the past supported Youth Parliament, especially when I was the Presiding Officer of this Legislative Assembly, and I know that it is a worthwhile effort. As I indicated at the beginning, I have no intention of making a speech. My colleague, the Member for Thompson, is anxious to give his participation and he also has a commitment, which he's in a hurry to make, so I'll turn it over to him. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The Honourable Member for Thompson.

**MR. S. ASHTON:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. After an introduction like that I feel almost speechless - not quite though. — (Interjection) — They never called me "Silent Steve" yet.

I, too, support this motion, Mr. Speaker, and I congratulate the members who've moved and seconded this motion, for bringing it in. I think it gives us an opportunity to reflect on the importance that institutions, such as the Youth Parliament play, in terms of educating our youth about our parliamentary system. I feel this is an important aspect that's often overlooked, even within the schools themselves. We do have a fair amount of education about our system, but I find often that some of the intricacies of the system, some of the unique features of our system, are overlooked in many of our school texts. The advantage of the Youth Parliaments is they give our young people a chance to see directly

how the system works and how it does differ from other systems, as practised in other democratic countries.

I personally never had the fortune to attend a sitting of the Youth Parliament. The Parliament at that time was pretty well restricted to Winnipeg and it traditionally, of course, has taken place over the Christmas Holidays. That was a time when I was going to university, I went home for the holidays and I never did have the opportunity to attend the sitting. I did attend a number of sittings of the model U.N., which was held in another time of year, and I found that had much the same sort of impact that the Youth Parliament did, only in regard to the United Nations.

Since then though I've had the opportunity to attend a couple of sittings of the Youth Parliament in Thompson, a new aspect of the Youth Parliaments, which I think is excellent for people in areas like Thompson, isolated areas, to participate directly in this kind of function.

It's unfortunate that in the days I was going to school it wasn't offered, but since then there's been a very aggressive well-organized group of people in Thompson who have put this together. These sittings have included not only people from Thompson but from throughout the North and also a number of people from Winnipeg as well. I attended the banquet for the most recent Youth Parliament only a few weeks ago and they had a very good turnout from Winnipeg, which indicates I think the amount of interest there is in holding Youth Parliaments throughout the province.

As I said, Mr. Speaker, I feel that Youth Parliaments are an important aspect of education in regard to our parliamentary system. I think it indicates, certainly to me, the fact that it's an organic system. It's not strictly a legalistic system; it's not set out in any particular legal document, any constitution. It's a system that's developed over many hundreds of years, and I think that's something that comes through, and some of the particular features of the parliamentary system that we, in this Legislature, know only too well. I think that's an important aspect in terms of the learning process, because I think it gives people an idea of just how much history is behind the parliamentary system that we have here in Canada and throughout the British Commonwealth.

I think beyond that it also give the participants in the Youth Parliament another important skill, and that's a skill in terms of their own personal situation, Mr. Speaker. It gives them confidence in themselves beyond their normal every day existence. I've sat through the Sessions and I've heard the members, you know, for the mythical constituencies, speak at quite great length about issues of importance.

I noted the agenda of the recent Youth Parliament in Thompson and some of the issues they were looking at then. They included some issues that we are discussing even today in the Legislature, and some perhaps that are even too contentious for this particular body. Those participants got quite actively involved in it; they expressed their views and they tried to take a broader position, Mr. Speaker. They tried to put themselves in the position of a politician representing a constituency and I think that was important because it gave them a sense of themselves not just as individuals, but as public citizens and that's one aspect I think that we do need to encourage greatly, Mr.

Speaker. Because regardless of how our system works, in terms of its ends or particular means to get to that system, as far as I'm concerned it can only be healthy if all the people in society have a sense that they too are public citizens. It shouldn't be just up to us, as elected representatives, to debate and discuss matters of public importance, it should be a matter for all citizens. You can see that through the Youth Parliament, Mr. Speaker.

Some past participants in the Youth Parliament have gone on to political careers. I know of a number who have served in this House, who were former participants in the Youth Parliament, but many have not. They've gone to be private citizens, in one sense, Mr. Speaker, but also I think public citizens in another in that through the skills they've developed through the Youth Parliament they haven't hesitated to get involved in the public process, get involved in the political process at various levels. And as I said, Mr. Speaker, I think that's very important.

So I would like to give my wholehearted support for this particular motion and indicate that perhaps we should reflect on this kind of thing somewhat more often in this House, Mr. Speaker. I think that the more we reflect on exactly what the parliamentary system means the more that we can participate in that system and give it proper credit here in Manitoba in the 1980s. As I said, it's a system that has hundreds of years of tradition, a system that I respect greatly and through institutions, such as the Youth Parliament, I believe we could foster that respect throughout the province at a very important stage and development of the province, Mr. Speaker, and through the development of its young people. So, as I said, I support this motion wholeheartedly.

**QUESTION put, MOTION carried.**

## **RES. NO. 6 - HYDROGEN RESEARCH IN MANITOBA**

**MR. SPEAKER:** The next resolution is Resolution No. 6, the proposed motion of the Honourable Member for River East, and it is standing in the name of the Honourable Member for The Pas, who has 17 minutes remaining.

**MR. H. HARAPIAK:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased once again to get up and say a few words on the resolution put forward by the Member for River East, the resolution on hydrogen development.

In his resolution, Mr. Speaker, he states that Canada has a unique opportunity to become the world leader in hydrogen if we take an ambitious route to establish an early leadership in the area of hydrogen development. I feel that Canada is in that position, because of all the excess Hydro we have at this time, that we are in a position to become involved in hydrogen research. The Federal Government itself seems to believe in the research, because of the funds that they have put forward to research in this area.

He also states that Manitoba has both the cheapest electricity in Canada and the largest undeveloped potential. At this point, we have a surplus of hydro-electric development in Northern Manitoba, and we