Friday, February 19th, 1943.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. George Biddle.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland, it was Resolved,—

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland, it was Resolved,—

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Truck Act.'"

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mrs. *MacInnis* was withdrawn:—

That a Return be filed with this Legislature by the Hon. the Minister of Education of all letters, telegrams, documents, and communications of any kind passing between the Department of Education and British Columbia School Boards and Official Trustees, outside the Restricted Area, relative to children of Japanese origin, such communications to cover the period between February, 1942, and February, 1943.

Mr. Guthrie asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:-

- 1. How many dairy cows were there on the farms of Vancouver Island in the year 1930?
 - 2. How many dairy cows are there on the farms of Vancouver Island to-day?

The Hon. Mr. MacDonald replied as follows:—

- "1. Approximately 19,040.
- "2. Approximately 15,500."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

- 1. What was the cost of altering and renovating the Morris Garage, 650 Burrard Street, Vancouver, as headquarters for the Provincial A.R.P. service?
 - 2. What is the rental basis of same?
- 3. Do the terms of tenancy require the reinstatement of premises at the time of vacating same to the condition as existing at date of leasing?
 - 4. If yes, what is the estimated cost of such reinstatement?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:—

- "1. \$11.297.86.
- "2. Rental, \$200 per month, of which one-half is, pursuant to agreement, borne by the Dominion Government.
 - "3. Yes.
- "4. Approximately \$4,500, of which it is expected the Dominion Government, pursuant to agreement, will share 50 per cent."

Mr. Stirling asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. Who holds the rights to the Adams River power-site?

2. Has the Government any information as to why this power-site has not been developed?

3. If yes, what is the reason?

4. Has the Government knowledge of any plans for an early development?

5. If yes, what are those plans?

The Hon. Mr. Gray replied as follows:-

"1. The West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, holds an authorization to make surveys.

"2. No.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. No.

"5. Answered by No. 4."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

Monday, February 22nd, 1943.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon H. V. Hitchcox.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pearson—Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb—Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Kaslo."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb—Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Cultus Lake Park Act.'"

The following Bills were read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to prohibit Children in Unorganized Territory being on the Streets after Nightfall."

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pension Act.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' Maintenance Act.'"

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935."

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to extend certain Benefits, Rights, and Privileges to Members of the Corps of (Civilian) Canadian Fire-fighters for Service in the United Kingdom."

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act.'"

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court of Appeal Act.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act.'"

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Employment Agencies Act.'"

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act authorizing the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to make certain Provisions with respect to Statutory Holidays."

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Welfare Institutions Licensing Act.'"

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Residence and Responsibility Act.'"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act.'"

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Truck Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

The Hon. Mr. Pearson moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland,—

Whereas it is the opinion of this House that provision should be made for the security of the citizens of the Dominion of Canada, protecting them against suffering and want resulting from inability to provide for the necessities of life through old age, sickness, disability, invalidity, unemployment, excessive family burdens, or loss of family head:

And whereas the financial resources of the Provinces will not permit the Provinces without assistance from the Dominion Treasury to fully provide the necessary funds

to give to their citizens this security:

And whereas public statements indicate that the Government of the Dominion of Canada has now in course of preparation a Federal plan for State Health Insurance:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House petition the Government of Canada, urging that it shall set up and bring into operation at as early a date as possible a comprehensive plan of Social Insurance which shall protect its citizens against all forms of want resulting from interruption of earnings, loss of earning-power or lack of earning-power, whether brought about through old age, sickness, invalidity, disability, excessive family burdens, loss of family head, or any other justifiable cause.

And be it further Resolved, That this House petition the Government of the Dominion of Canada, urging that a plan so set up shall recognize the rights and interests of the Provinces in the administration of such a plan, and that it shall allow each Province to develop its Social Insurance standards in conformity with the Social Standards and Social Philosophysis its popular of the plant of the province of the plant of

Standards and Social Philosophy of its people.

And be it further Resolved, That this House petition the Government of the Dominion of Canada to bring into operation immediately a State Health Insurance Plan which shall recognize the rights and interests of the Provinces in the administration thereof.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. *Perry* presented a Return with respect to the matters mentioned in the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *MacNeil:*—

That a Return be filed with the Legislature by the Hon. the Minister of Education of all correspondence, telegrams, and memoranda exchanged between officials of the Department of Education and officials of the British Columbia Security Commission and (or) the Dominion Department of Labour, respecting the education of children of Japanese origin evacuated from the protected area.

Whereupon, by leave of the House, the said notice of motion was withdrawn.

The Hon. Mr. *Anscomb* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 17th, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the Department of Public Works Act," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to validate certain By-laws of the Municipalities of Maple Ridge and Langley," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 17th, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to validate certain By-laws of the Municipalities of Maple Ridge and Langley," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. E. E. Winch, seconded by Mrs. MacInnis, it was Resolved,— That the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare be authorized to inquire into the operations and requirements of any or all institutions maintained wholly or in part from Provincial Government funds.

Mr. Gargrave asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Are grants made to hospitals throughout the Province for (a) building purposes and (b) general maintenance?

2. If yes, what is the basis for such grants?

3. If yes, what hospitals received grants during the past year under each of the above classifications and what were the amounts?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

- "1. Grants are made to general hospitals to assist in the cost of new buildings or extensions; occasionally towards the purchase of new equipment; more infrequently to assist a hospital in financial difficulties; and, in rare cases, annual grants are made in aid of the work of a hospital.
- "2. Grants are made at the Minister's discretion upon information based upon the merits of each particular case and upon the reports of departmental officials.

"3. See Public Accounts."

 $\operatorname{Mr.}$ $\operatorname{\it Guthrie}$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Has an office been built for the resident engineer at Nanaimo?

2. If yes: (a) Were tenders called for; (b) who was the contractor and what was the total cost?

3. Was the money for building this office taken from the Nanaimo road appropriation or the Consolidated Revenue Fund?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

"1. No; but an office was built for the Assistant District Engineer at Nanaimo.

"2. (a.) No. (b.) Built by day-labour; total cost, \$2,318.66.

"3. The cost was distributed over the road appropriations of Alberni, Cowichan-Newcastle, and Nanaimo and The Islands Electoral Districts."

Mrs. Steeves asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. Are any schools now closed in British Columbia owing to the impossibility of obtaining teachers?

2. If so, how many?

3. How many children were attending these schools when last operating?

4. What salaries were paid to teachers in these schools when they were operating? The Hon. Mr. *Perry* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Twenty-six, including one new school, Cheslatta, for Mennonite children, which has not yet opened. Eight of these were in session up to December, 1942.

"3. Three hundred and fifty-nine, not including Cheslatta.

"4. Seven schools, \$780; five, \$800; one, \$830; two, \$840; two, \$850; one, \$865; one, \$875; five, \$900; one, \$950; and one, \$1,500."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

Tuesday, February 23rd, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. James Hood.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith-

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1944;

Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1943;

Schedule A. Sums granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1942, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures; and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House.

February 22nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Hon. Mr. Hart presented the Report of the Comptroller-General, pursuant to the provisions of the "Audit Act," chapter 19, R.S.B.C. 1936.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The Hon. Mr. Hart moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Lefeaux, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Straith presented the Third Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 23rd, 1943.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:—

That the preamble to Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902'" has been proved, and the Bill *Ordered* to be reported without amendment.

That your Committee recommends that the fee of \$300 paid by the promoters of the above-mentioned Bill be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. Straith presented the Fourth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 23rd, 1943.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:—

That the preamble to Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada" has been proved, and the Bill *Ordered* to be reported with amendments.

That your Committee recommends that the fee of \$300 paid by the promoters of the above-mentioned Bill be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Carson, it was Resolved,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters to hear representations from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and any other body desiring to make representation to the said Committee and to report its findings to this House.

- Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to prohibit Children in Unorganized Territory being on the Streets after Nightfall" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.
- Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pension Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court of Appeal Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Employment Agencies Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act authorizing the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to make certain Provisions with respect to Statutory Holidays" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.
- Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Welfare Institutions Licensing Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Truck Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Kaslo" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.
- On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Cultus Lake Park Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.
- Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.
- Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to validate certain By-laws of the Municipalities of Maple Ridge and Langley" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.
 - Mrs. Steeves asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—
- 1. How many inspections were made during the past year under the "Welfare Institutions Licensing Act"?
 - 2. Specify how many under section 2, clauses (a), (b), (c), and (d) respectively.
- 3. Was any follow-up inspection made of institutions in which conditions had been found unsatisfactory?
 - 4. Were any institutions closed after inspections had taken place?
 - 5. If so, how many?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:-

"1. One hundred and sixty-three.

- "2. (a) Children's homes and institutions, 66; (b) maternity homes, 4; (c) aged and infirm homes, 92; and (d) hostels, 1.
 - "3. Yes.
 - "4. Yes. "5. Six."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

Wednesday, February 24th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. Allan.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. MacDonald presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize a Loan to the Fraser Valley Fibre Flax Co-operative Association," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 23rd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to authorize a Loan to the Fraser Valley Fibre Flax Co-operative Association," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. MacDonald, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Perry, it was Resolved,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to consider such matters as may be laid before it by a committee representing the Advisory

Board of Farmers' Institutes; to consider the report of the Dominion-Provincial conference on production; to call members of the British Columbia Agricultural Production Committee, the interdepartmental committee on farm labour and such other Department officials as may be representatives on other agricultural bodies with a view to securing information on matters affecting the agricultural welfare of the Province; to review the report of the Commissioner, Judge Harper, on the operation of marketing boards operating schemes under the "Natural Products (British Columbia) Marketing Act"; and to report its findings to this House.

The Hon. Mr. Hart presented a Return relating to the matters mentioned in the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Gargrave:—

That a Return be filed with the Legislature of the brief presented to the Hon. Premier of British Columbia and members of the Executive Council on Tuesday, January 26th, by the British Columbia Natural Resources Conservation League.

Whereupon, by leave of the House, the said notice of motion was withdrawn.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Shepherd was withdrawn:—

Whereas a recent Dominion-Provincial conference called upon Canadian farmers to increase production of many food products:

And whereas in British Columbia there are indications that production of certain primary products will decline rather than increase:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the House instruct the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to investigate the situation and report its findings to the Legislature.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented the Annual Report of the King's Printer and Comptroller of Stationery for the Fiscal Year ended March 31st, 1942.

Mr. Webber asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

- 1. Did the Provincial Government make a grant towards the construction of the St. Martin's Hospital in Oliver?
 - 2. If so, in what amount?
 - 3. What conditions, if any, accompanied this grant?
- 4. Is it the policy of the Government to require a public tender when Government funds are contributed?
- 5. Were public tenders called for the construction of the St. Martin's Hospital in Oliver?
 - 6. In whom is the ownership of this hospital vested?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

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- "2. \$15,000.
- "3. No specific conditions, but the hospital is operating in accordance with the provisions of the 'Hospital Act' and regulations.
 - "4. No.
 - "5. No information.
 - "6. The Corporation of the Sisters of Saint Ann."

Mr. Finland asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

- 1. What was the total school tax assessed against lands in the unorganized districts in the Province of British Columbia for the year ending March 31st, 1943?
 - 2. What was the total school tax collected for the same period?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:—

- "1. Total school tax levy on lands and personal property in unorganized districts for the calendar year 1942 was \$1,014,704.90.
- "2. Total school tax collected for same period: Arrears, \$256,507.03; 1942 taxes, \$746,844.18; total, \$1,003,351.21."

Mr. Guthrie asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:-

How much money has been expended, including interest, by the Provincial Government on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway up until the end of the last fiscal year?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:—

"See Public Accounts for fiscal year ended March 31st, 1942, page EE vi."

Mr. Turner asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

- 1. Have any conversations or negotiations been carried on by the Government with any private interests having in view the disposal of undeveloped water-power resources in the Province?
 - 2. If yes, what are the names of the companies concerned?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes
- "2. Not considered in the public interest to disclose the name of the company at the present time."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.03 p.m.

Thursday, February 25th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. A. Reynolds.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Asselstine, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 23rd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Gray presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of Special Timber Licence No. 13300," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 23rd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of Special Timber Licence No. 13300," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Protection of Children," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House.

February 24th, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to provide for the Protection of Children," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Mrs. Steeves asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:-

- 1. Was an announcement made by the Government that a Home Economics course would be established in the University of British Columbia?
 - 2. If yes, has any action been taken in this matter?

The Hon. Mr. Perry replied as follows:-

"1. An announcement was made that the Provincial Government would provide funds for the establishment of a course in Home Economics at the University of British Columbia. See Vote 74, Department of Education, Estimates, fiscal year 1943-44.

"2. The Senate of the University has considered the matter and has recommended that the course be established this year. The question is now receiving the attention of the Board of Governors."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:— Since February 11th, 1942, what steps, if any, have been taken to place increasing emphasis on preventive measures and on follow-up and after-care of psychopathic cases?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"Increased home visits to extramural patients."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:— Since February 11th, 1942, have psychiatric facilities been enlarged to provide for the inmates of the Saanich Mental Institution?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"Yes; arrangements for regular periodic visits by senior physician."

Mr. Webber asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

- 1. (a.) How many people were suffering from tuberculosis according to departmental records in September, 1939? (b.) How many are now suffering from tuberculosis?
- 2. Since September, 1939, what, if any, expansion relating to tuberculosis has there been with regard to (a) educational programme; (b) diagnostic facilities; and (c) facilities for treatment?

3. How many persons were examined at the Vancouver Unit and the Victoria Unit of the Division of Tuberculosis Control respectively in the years, 1940, 1941, and 1942?

- 4. Who are the full-time specialists in tuberculosis diagnosis and treatment employed at the Vancouver Stationary Tuberculosis Clinic and the Victoria Stationary Tuberculosis Clinic?
- 5. Are all persons, either with previous tuberculosis history or suspected of tuberculosis, attending either stationary clinic for examination examined by one or more of the competent tuberculosis specialists?

6. If not, by whom are they examined, what are their qualifications, and who decides upon the diagnosis and subsequent treatment of each case?

- 7. If a patient attending either stationary clinic is not satisfied with the diagnosis he receives may he apply for re-examination by another specialist or by a board of specialists? If so, by whom would the examination be made in (a) Vancouver Clinic and (b) Victoria Clinic?
- 8. Are in-patients at the Vancouver and Victoria Stationary Units respectively taught the same precautions necessary to prevent them spreading infection as are taught at Tranquille Sanatorium? If not in either case, what precautions are taught and why do differences exist?
- 9. Is it the policy of the Vancouver Stationary Clinic and the Victoria Stationary Clinic to permit known active cases of tuberculosis to circulate freely among the general public as out-patients? If so, under what conditions, and in accordance with what precautions?
- 10. What, if any, steps are taken to provide for adequate fumigation of handiwork by active tuberculosis patients before being made available for sale through the Kiwanis Occupational Crafts Workshop?
- 11. How many out-patients of the Vancouver and Victoria Stationary Units respectively in the years 1939, 1940, and 1941 have since died from tuberculosis? In each case when and where hospitalized, if at all.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"1. (a) 6,235 persons; (b) 8,730 persons in December, 1942 (provisional figure).

"2. (a.) The educational programme has been extended in the schools by moving pictures, poster contests, and tuberculin surveys. It has been extended in the general community through district nurses and travelling units, lectures, distribution of pamphlets, and radio talks. (b.) The diagnostic facilities of the Division have not expanded. Loss of staff to armed services produced some curtailment of diagnostic facilities to rural areas. To meet this all hospitals not immediately adjacent to one of

the units of the Division of Tuberculosis Control were authorized to take X-rays of cases referred to them by local physicians. These films, with consultation forms, are forwarded to one of the units of the Division for interpretation. The cost of this is borne by the Provincial Government. An ambulatory unit for taking miniature X-ray films in rural areas and in industries has been on order for over a year. Delivery has been delayed by the priority board in Washington. It is anticipated that this unit will be available within the next few months. Plans have been made for surveying employees in war industries as soon as the equipment reaches British Columbia. (c.) There has been no expansion of facilities for treatment.

"3. Victoria Clinic: 1940, 2,537; 1941, 2,062; 1942, 1,906. Vancouver Clinic:

1940, 14,828; 1941, 14,780; 1942, 15,784.

"4. Dr. Frederick Kincaid is full-time specialist in the Victoria Stationary Clinic. Dr. Gordon Kincade is full-time specialist in the Vancouver Stationary Clinic. In addition a number of part-time specialists are employed for diagnosis and treatment. These include specialists directly in tuberculosis and specialists in other branches of medicine necessary to the diagnosis and treatment of the tuberculous patient, such as surgery, genito-urinary disease, orthopædics, dermatology, ophthalmology, otolaryngology, and dentistry.

" 5. Yes.

- "6. It is to be noted here that every case of tuberculosis is considered at a conference held weekly at which all members of the medical staff attend. In addition to initial treatment all problems in diagnosis and treatment are discussed at these weekly conferences.
- "7. Any patient who is not satisfied with the diagnosis or treatment he has received may refer his problems to the Central Office of the Division. All necessary advice and consultation is given through this office.

"8. Yes.

- "9. It is not the policy of the Division to allow infectious active cases of tuberculosis to circulate freely among the general population. However, the policy of strict isolation for all infectious cases cannot be readily enforced due to: (a.) Lack of adequate regulations in this regard. (It is understood that these will be amended shortly.) (b.) Lack of bed facilities. With the facilities available every endeavour is made to see that as much isolation as possible is carried out. The District Nurse is an important factor in this regard.
- "10. No fumigation is carried out of any handiwork as it is not considered necessary. It is considered that the articles completed and made available for sale are not in any way a source of infection.

"11. This question is not clearly stated and it is impossible to answer it in its

present form. Out-patients are divided into the following categories:-

- (a.) Those that have been in-patients and are followed up as out-patients receiving treatment such as pneumothorax, having been discharged as quiescent or arrested cases.
- (b.) Those originally diagnosed as arrested or quiescent cases and followed up, but continuing work.
- (c.) Those referred by private physicians for opinions and who are carrying on their treatment under their own physicians.

(d.) Those following unorthodox types of treatment.

"Regarding deaths, in 1941, of the 'other than Indians' population, 53.2 per cent. of the tuberculosis deaths were in tuberculosis institutions; 19.18 per cent. in general hospitals; 9.4 per cent. in mental institutions; 17.3 per cent. in the home; and 0.3 per cent. neither in home nor institution."

 $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Herridge$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What was the total expenditure for reconstruction of the Taghum Hill Highway near Nelson in the years 1941 and 1942?

[&]quot;1941, \$20,570.02; 1942, \$9,485.07 (including costs of right-of-way and fencing)."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

- 1. Since February 11th, 1942, have any senile cases been removed from Essondale to be cared for elsewhere?
 - 2. If yes, how many?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Forty-seven patients."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.03 p.m.

Friday, February 26th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Major McCaughey (Salvation Army).

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Kenney, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Pearson, it was Resolved.—

That on Monday, March 1st, and all following days of the Session there shall be two distinct sittings in each day; one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Mrs. Jamieson asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

- 1. Was a report on adult education prepared by the Public Library Commission at the request of the Minister of Education in 1941?
 - 2. If yes, was this report completed and tabled on the floor of the Legislature?
 - 3. Is this report now available to the public?

The Hon. Mr. Perry replied as follows:—

"1. Yes; at the request of the former Minister of Education.

"2 and 3. A preliminary study of adult education has been made by the Public Library Commission. I have received one copy of the report in which was inserted a note that copies of the report had been sent by the Commission to persons who, the Commission thought, would be interested."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:—
Of the sum collected from the estates of deceased old-age pensioners during the calendar year 1942 what were the respective amounts representing (a) principal and (b) interest?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:-

"(a) Principal, \$73,561.79; (b) interest, \$2,589.07."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. What moneys, if any, have been received by the Government on behalf of the Municipality of Burnaby from the Ocean View Burial Park Company and the Forest Lawn Cemetery Company respectively in relation to taxes during each of the past five years?

2. On what basis were the respective yearly reports and payments made by each

company?

3. Of the moneys received during the respective years, what sums have been paid to the municipality in respect to each of these years relative to each company?

4. What is the total sum, if any, now held by the Government to the credit of the municipality in respect to each company?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:—

"1. Moneys deposited with the Minister of Finance and credited to the Cemetery Tax Fund in accordance with the provisions of section 10 (4) of the 'Cemetery Companies Act,' chapter 43, R.S.B.C. 1936, in the calendar years and by the companies set out herein:—

Ocean View. Forest Lawn.

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| 1938 | \$430.00 | |
| 1939 | | \$226.88 |
| 1940 | 385.75 | 260.72 |
| 1941 | 502.50 | 437.13 |
| 1942 | 388.25 | 357.50 |
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"2. On the basis of the provisions of section 10 (3) of the 'Cemetery Companies Act,' chapter 43, R.S.B.C. 1936.

"3. Interest paid to the Municipality of Burnaby in the calendar years and in respect of the capital moneys deposited by the companies set out herein:—

| | Ocean View. | Forest Lawn. |
|------|-------------|--------------|
| 1938 | \$269.97 | \$1.54 |
| 1939 | 242.18 | 5.33 |
| 1940 | 280.34 | 14.53 |
| 1941 | 294.09 | 23.19 |
| 1942 | 313.40 | 40.29 |

"4. Total amount deposited by the undernoted companies and credited to the Cemetery Tax Fund: Ocean View Burial Park Company, \$8,374.10; Forest Lawn Cemetery Company, \$1,747.50."

Mr. Shepherd asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Was any commission or allowance paid by the Government to any persons or companies for collecting the 7-cents-per-gallon gasoline tax in the fiscal year 1941-42?

2. If so, (a) to whom was the commission or allowance paid and (b) in what amounts?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:—

"1 Yes.

"2. The British American Oil Co., Ltd., \$2,682.92; B.C. Fuel Co., Ltd., \$5,688.45; General Oil Co., Ltd., \$378.53; Home Oil Distributors, Ltd., \$15,969.52; Imperial Oil, Ltd., \$24,421.78; McColl-Frontenac Oil Co., Ltd., \$656.02; Shell Oil Co. of B.C., Ltd., \$19,575.09; Signal Oil Co., Ltd., \$438.98; Standard Oil Co. of B.C., Ltd., \$12,067.51; Union Oil Co. of Canada, Ltd., \$10,985.27; miscellaneous, \$114.71; total, \$92,978.78."

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:— Since February 11th, 1942, what steps, if any, have been taken to enlarge the staff of the Psychiatric Clinic so that its work may be extended and so as to enable it to do more field-work throughout the Province?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"Preliminary ground-work and recent recommendations for Travelling Clinic."

Mrs. MacInnis asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. How many persons in British Columbia were in receipt of the old-age pension on February 1st, 1942?

2. How many on February 1st, 1943?

- 3. What was the average monthly amount of the pension for the year ended December 31st, 1942?
- 4. What is the actual or estimated saving to the Pensions Board for the year ended December 31st, 1942, due to the assumed ability of children to contribute to the maintenance of parents in receipt of the old-age pension?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:-

- "1. 14,615.
- "2. 14,752.
- "3. Average old-age pension, \$19.26; blind, \$19.75.

"4, \$3,560."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

Monday, March 1st, 1943.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father Lawrence Hart.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Pattullo, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented the Third Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Municipal Superannuation Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1942.

 $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Finland$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What are the working-hours each day of men employed by the Department of Public Works in any district as (a) district engineer, (b) construction foreman, (c) warehouse foreman, (d) foremen of any work, and (e) maintenance-men?

- "(a) Seven hours, (b) eight hours, (c) eight hours, (d) eight hours, and (e) eight hours.
- "Note.—The above are normal working-hours. Conditions occasionally result in men employed in these capacities working longer hours than normally required."

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Mr. Guthrie asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:-

1. What is the total cost of administering the "Conciliation and Arbitration Act" since its inception?

2. What has been the cost of arbitration hearings for the years 1939, 1940, 1941,

and 1942?

3. How many arbitration cases were held on the question of union recognition?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"1. Total cost of administering the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act' since its inception in 1937, \$54,575.30.

"2. Cost of arbitration hearings: 1939, \$1,105.20; 1940, \$4,963.59; 1941, \$5,482.13;

1942, \$3,187.09.

- "3. There have been no arbitrations held solely on the question of union recognition since the inception of the Act, but there have been twenty-five Boards of Arbitration which have considered the question of union recognition with other matters, such as wages and working conditions."
- Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. What is the known or estimated number of old-age pensioners, now resident in

British Columbia, who are receiving pensions from other Provinces?

2. Has the Dominion Government signified its willingness, or otherwise, to pay any percentage of an additional cost-of-living bonus or grant if made by any Province to such pensioners?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:-

- "1. (a) Estimated number of pensioners who were granted pension by British Columbia and part of the pension is paid by another Province, 5,754; (b) number of pensioners residing in British Columbia who were granted pension by another Province, 1,510.
- "2. We have no information as to what the Dominion Government's attitude might be."

Mr. MacNeil asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

1. What steps have been taken during the past year to review the procedure relating to appointments, promotions, classification, and salary ratings of all those persons in the employ of the Provincial Government?

2. Has an interdepartmental committee been appointed for the purposes indicated above; and, if so, what is the personnel of such committee and how were its duties

defined?

3. What was the extent of the inquiry conducted by such committee?

4. From what sources was evidence procured by said committee relevant to employment conditions in the Civil Service?

5. Has said committee submitted a report or recommendation as to adjustments in Civil Service employment? If so, will such report or recommendation be made available to members of the Legislature?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:—

"1. A special committee was set up under instructions from the Hon. the Premier on May 6th, 1942, to survey the salaries of Civil Servants in the lower brackets and to report any existing inequalities or cases requiring special consideration.

"2. Yes; Civil Service Commissioner Norman Baker; J. V. Fisher, Assistant Deputy Minister of Finance; and E. W. Griffith, Assistant Deputy Provincial Secretary.

"3. Inquiry conducted was extended to cover a general review of the operation of the 'Civil Service Act.'

"4. From officials under whom employees served.

"5. A report recommending increases in salaries was submitted and was adopted in full. Recommendations for further study of the 'Civil Service Act' and its operation were made. Instructions have been issued to the same committee to complete its study and make recommendations at as early a date as possible. Report is unfinished and consequently is not available to members of the Legislature."

Mrs. MacInnis asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. How many students were enrolled in High School and Elementary School Correspondence Courses in this Province on February 1st, 1943?

2. How many of the students enrolled in Elementary School Correspondence were, prior to 1940, in schools now closed?

3. What is the tuition fee per course per grade for an 18-year-old student?

4. What is the tuition fee per course per grade for an 18-year-old student of Japanese origin not under the jurisdiction of the British Columbia Security Commission?

The Hon. Mr. Perry replied as follows:—

"1. Enrolment to February 1st, 1943: High Correspondence School, 3,320; Elementary Correspondence School, 1,174.

"2. The number of pupils enrolled in the Elementary Correspondence School who were, prior to September, 1942, enrolled in schools now closed or closed during some

part of the school-year 1942-43 is 130. No data available before 1942.

"3. Except as indicated in the reply to No. 4 there is no charge for correspondence courses in the Elementary School grades whether the student is over eighteen years or not. The tuition fee for correspondence courses in High School subjects for students eighteen years of age to twenty years of age is \$2 per course per grade. In the case of students who are twenty-one years of age or over twenty-one years of age the tuition fee is \$5 per course per grade.

"4. Lessons in Elementary School courses are provided upon the request of the British Columbia Security Commission to Japanese students irrespective of their ages. The Commission meets the full cost, which ranges from \$2.85 for Grade I. lessons to \$5.25 for Grade VIII. lessons. Correspondence lessons in High School subjects are provided to all Japanese students who apply for them at the full cost of tuition, which

is \$9 per course per grade."

Mr. Finland asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the Duke Road?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?
 - 3. Of what did such work consist?
 - 4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:—

- "1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.
 - "2. Between Albert Head and Metchosin Roads.
 - "3. Answered by No. 1.
 - "4. \$139.55."

Mr. Finland asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the Albert Head Road?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?
 - 3. Of what did such work consist?
 - 4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

- "1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.
 - "2. Between Metchosin and Albert Head.
 - "3. Answered by No. 1.
 - "4. \$325.80."

Mrs. Rolston asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:-

1. Has the Department of Mines any control over (a) coal production and (b) the marketing of the coal produced?

2. If the Department of Mines has no control over coal production and marketing,

what, if any, control is authorized and by whom?

3. Could coal production in British Columbia be increased?

4. If so, (a) where and (b) by what means?

5. Has any assistance tending to increase production been given to coal-mines in British Columbia by any authority?

The Hon. Mr. Carson replied as follows:—

"1. (a.) No control of any kind. (b.) No control. The 'Coal Sales Act' ensures that invoices cover the trade-name of the coal from the mine to the consumer.

- "2. The Coal and Petroleum Board of British Columbia has authority to permit the opening of new mines or the reopening of temporarily abandoned mines and to prevent the opening of mines if the Board sees fit. The Emergency Coal Production Board, established by Dominion Order in Council No. 10674, November 23rd, 1942, has wide powers in the matter of causing the opening of new mines and prohibiting the operation of inefficient mines, recommending to the Minister of Finance the transfer of labour to mines, suspending any law or regulations which the Board may consider an impediment to production, entering any premises and taking any supplies of coal at prices as may be prescribed by the Coal Administrator and allocating such at such terms and conditions as the Board sees fit.
 - "3. Yes.
- "4. (a.) In all mining areas. (b.) By ensuring adequate man-power for the presently operating mines, reopening presently abandoned mines, and opening new mines.
- "5. Since November, 1942, to the end of February, 1943, 104 men with some mining experience and 78 men with no mining experience were sent to the coal-mines by the Selective Service Board; of these 29 men had left the mines at the end of February. In the same period 47 soldiers with some mining experience and 13 without experience had been furloughed to work in the mines; of these four had left the mines and returned to the Army at the end of February."
- $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Webber$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
- 1. (a.) How much money, if any, has been spent by the Provincial Department of Public Works on the Hope-Princeton Road since December 7th, 1941? (b.) What is the total monetary expenditure by the Provincial Government on this road since the original construction began?
- 2. (a.) Where are the construction camps on this road situated? (b.) How many men are in each camp: (i.) Japanese and (ii.) non-Japanese?
- 3. (a.) What equipment is in use on this road? (b.) What part of this, if any, is Provincial Government equipment?
- 4. (a.) Does an agreement exist between the Federal and Provincial Governments in regard to the Hope-Princeton Road? (b.) If yes, what are the terms thereof?

- "1. (a) \$2,907 and (b) \$579,388.
- "2. (a) and (b). From Hope: Mile 11, 63 Japanese and 10 non-Japanese; Mile 15, 30 Japanese and 1 non-Japanese. From Princeton: Mile 11, 75 Japanese; Mile 17, 52 Japanese; Mile 27, 75 Japanese. Non-Japanese, nil for these camps.
- "3. (a) and (b). Provincially-owned equipment in use on road: Three shovels, seven trucks, five tractors, three compressors, two pull-graders, and one bulldozer. Dominion-owned or rented equipment: Six trucks and five bulldozers.

[&]quot;4. No."

Mr. Herridge asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. At any time between January 1st, 1940, and January 1st, 1943, did the Minister of Public Works, or the Department, make plans to remodel the Gray Creek ferry?

2. Was the ferry-boat in use prior to January 1st, 1940, of the steam-propelled

type?

3. Did such plans (as referred to in No. 1) include revision or change of the type of power used for propulsion?

4. If so, what type of engine was proposed?

5. Was a Diesel or semi-Diesel engine for the Gray Creek ferry ordered from the Vivian Engine Works, Ltd., Vancouver, or from any other person or company?

6. If yes, what was the price of such engine, as quoted to the Department?

7. Were chains and accessories for such engine ordered?

8. If so, from whom, and what was the price quoted to the Department?

9. Did the Department of Public Works complete the purchase of (a) such an engine, (b) such chains, and (c) such accessories?

10. If such purchases were not completed was any settlement made with the persons or firms from which they were ordered?

11. If so, what was the nature of such settlements?

12. What was the date of the placing of such order or orders for purchase?

13. What was the total cost of repairing or remodelling the ferry at Gray Creek? The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:—

- "1. Arrangements made by the Minister of Public Works to remodel the Kootenay Lake ferry.
 - "2. Yes.
 - "3. Yes.
 - "4. Diesel.

"5. Yes; from Vivian Engine Works.

- "6. Quotation of \$102,000 for complete remodelling of ferry included cost of new engines, chains, and accessories installed.
 - "7. See No. 6.
 - "8. See Nos. 5 and 6.
 - "9. (a) No, (b) no, and (c) no.
 - "10. Yes.
- "11. By arrangement the Department of Public Works took over at cost the chains and other accessories which had been manufactured or purchased, and in addition compensated the Vivian Engine Works to cover their out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the project; the Diesel engines were retained by the Vivian Engine Works.

"12. September 23rd, 1941.

"13. \$19,547.34 (hull repairs to comply with Steamship Inspector's requirements)."

Mr. Finland asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the Quarantine Road?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?
 - 3. Of what did such work consist?
 - 4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

- "1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.
 - "2. Between Metchosin and Quarantine Station.
 - "3. Answered by No. 1.
 - "4. \$769.05."

Mr. Finland asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the West Shawnigan Lake Road?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?

3. Of what did such work consist?

4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

"1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.

"2. Between Shawnigan Lake Road and Halhead Road.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. \$152.30."

 $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Finland$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the Shawnigan Lake Cut-off?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?

3. Of what did such work consist?

4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

The Hon, Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

"1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.

"2. Island Highway and Cobble Hill Road.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. \$3,157.48."

 $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Finland$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the roads at Port San Juan?
 - 2. Between what points on such roads was such work done?

3. Of what did such work consist?

4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

"1. General maintenance such as gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.

"2. All roads, their entire length.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

" 4. \$644.28.

"Note.-The above answers refer to roads in the vicinity of Port Renfrew."

 $\operatorname{Mr.}\ \mathit{Finland}\ \operatorname{asked}\ \operatorname{the}\ \operatorname{Hon.}\ \operatorname{the}\ \operatorname{Minister}\ \operatorname{of}\ \operatorname{Public}\ \operatorname{Works}\ \operatorname{the}\ \operatorname{following}\ \operatorname{questions}:—$

- 1. What are the duties of the construction foreman employed by the Department of Public Works in the Esquimalt District?
- 2. What are the duties of the warehouse foreman employed by the Department of Public Works in the Esquimalt District?

- "1. To carry out engineer's instructions in relation to preparation, organization, and execution of construction projects.
- "2. To supervise the storage of all camp equipment, tools, and materials in the Langford warehouse and to maintain a perpetual inventory of these materials and equipment; to reservice, where possible, worn-out tools and equipment."

Mr. Paton asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:-

- 1. What was the tonnage of coke produced last year from coal mined in the Province?
 - 2. What are the names of these producing mines and their location?
- 3. From what mines in the Province can coal be obtained to make coke of a quality suitable for blast-furnace operations in connection with smelting iron?

4. What is the annual production of these mines?

5. Are they capable of extension should a new demand be created?

6. What would be the cost of producing coke mentioned under No. 3?

- 7. If quality of coke could not be produced from any one mine would it be possible by mixing the coals from more than one mine-seam or mine, and, if so, from what mines would the coal come from?
 - 8. Are there any by-product coke-ovens in this Province?

9. If so, where?

10. What is the annual value of (a) the coke produced, (b) the by-products produced, and (c) tonnage of coal used?

The Hon. Mr. Carson replied as follows:-

"1. Ninety-six thousand one hundred and fifty-nine short tons produced at Michel. This does not include gas coke produced by gas-works in Vancouver, Victoria, or Winnipeg (some British Columbia coal shipped to the latter plant).

"2. Michel Colliery at Michel.

- "3. Coal Creek Colliery at Coal Creek, Michel Colliery at Michel, Comox Colliery at Cumberland, and, possibly, Aveling Colliery at Telkwa.
- "4. Gross production, 1942, long tons: Coal Creek, 179,623; Michel, 868,080; Comox, 330,916; Aveling, 1,813.

"5. Yes.

- "6. During the last three months of 1942 the price of coke, f.o.b. Michel, averaged \$6.43 per ton. Estimated cost of bee-hive oven-coke from run-of-mine Comox coal is approximately \$10 per ton.
 - "7. Answered by No. 3.
 - "8. Yes.
 - "9. At Michel; also at gas-works in Victoria and Vancouver.
- "10. Re coke produced at mines: (a) Approximately \$620,000, (b) \$27,386, and (c) 143,803 short tons."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

Tuesday, March 2nd, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker.

Whereupon Mr. Finland, Deputy Speaker, took the chair, pursuant to the Statute in such case made and provided.

Prayers by the Rev. J. W. McLean.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mrs. *Rolston*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

The report on Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to prohibit Children in Unorganized Territory being on the Streets after Nightfall" was considered, Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Kaslo" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to validate certain By-laws of the Municipalities of Maple Ridge and Langley" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Cultus Lake Park Act.'"

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Fifteen million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Post-war Rehabilitation Act.'"

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to authorize a Loan to the Fraser Valley Fibre Flax Co-operative Association."

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

On the motion of Mr. E. E. Winch—Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the Mental Hospitals Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Cemeteries Act.'"

On the motion of Mrs. Jamieson—Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. MacDonald—Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Animals Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Credit Unions Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart—Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Strathcona Park Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Carson—Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to permit Females over the Age of Eighteen Years to be employed in the Surface Operations of any Mine or Metallurgical Plant in British Columbia."

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:-

1. Were the (a) inmates, (b) staff, and (c) movable equipment of New Haven transferred to Oakalla during the past year?

2. Is the principle of "Borstal" training being continued at Oakalla?

- 3. If yes: (a.) Who is in direct charge of same? (b.) What is the present number of inmates receiving such training? (c.) What is the number of staff engaged in this work?
- 4. Was an inventory kept of all furniture and basic equipment sent to New Haven (a) prior to and (b) during its operation?
- 5. Was an inventory made of all such equipment removed from the institution following its closing?

6. Did the inventories reconcile?

7. Where is this equipment now, (a) used or (b) in storage, and (c) is there a certified inventory of same, and (d) accounted for by a responsible officer?

The Hon. Mr. Maitland replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Yes.

"3. (a.) T. A. Camm, Assistant Chief Gaoler. (b.) Seven inmates. (c.) Four staff members, including Mr. Camm.

"4. (a.) No; not so far as can be ascertained. (b.) An inventory of tools was received from the office of the organizer of technical education covering tools loaned by that branch in May, 1938, and an inventory of furniture only was taken at New Haven on June 16th, 1941.

"5. Yes; complete inventory was made when equipment was removed from the

institution following its closing.

"6. Furniture inventories agree, with the exception of one small table. There is a slight discrepancy in the tool and equipment inventories, but not more than could be expected by general wear and tear and breakages.

"7. (a) and (b). All equipment now at Oakalla Prison Farm, some in use and the balance stored. (c.) Yes. (d.) Inventory is accounted for by E. C. North, Bursar; W. Welker, Chief Goeler, and T. A. Gerry, Assistant Chief Goeler."

W. Walker, Chief Gaoler; and T. A. Camm, Assistant Chief Gaoler."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3rd, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker and of the Deputy Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. Hart moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Carson,-

That Robert Henry Carson, member for Kamloops Electoral District, do take the chair and perform the duties and exercise the authority of Speaker.

Upon the question being put by the Clerk, it was agreed to unanimously.

Whereupon the said Robert Henry Carson took the chair.

Prayers by the Very Rev. Dean S. H. Elliott.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Paton, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Regulation of Shops and the Employment of Young Persons therein and providing for a Weekly Half-holiday for Shop Employees."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pearson—Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Labour Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Nursing."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pearson—Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vital Statistics Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Carson—Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to permit Persons to be employed in War-time in certain Capacities in Coal-mines without Certificates of Competency."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Juvenile Courts Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to provide for the better Definition and Extension of the Jurisdiction of certain Magistrates."

On the motion of Mr. Lefeaux—Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act.'"

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the Trustee Board of the Presbyterian Church in Canada" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the Deserted Wives' Maintenance Act" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to extend certain Benefits, Rights, and Privileges to Members of the Corps of (Civilian) Canadian Fire-fighters for Service in the United Kingdom" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to authorize a Loan to the Fraser Valley Fibre Flax Co-operative Association" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Cemeteries Act."

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Animals Act.'"

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Credit Unions Act.'"

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to ratify certain Agreements made between the Dominion and the Province," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 1st, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to ratify certain Agreements made between the Dominion and the Province," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Allowances Act," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 1st, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved. That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Allowances Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Maitland presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting. The Hon. Mr. Carson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to exempt certain Free Miners from performing and recording Work on their Mining Property pursuant to the Mining Laws of the Province," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to exempt certain Free Miners from performing and recording Work on their Mining Property pursuant to the Mining Laws of the Province," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
Report adopted.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Carson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Settlement of Differences between the Dominion and the Province respecting Staking for Minerals on Indian Reserves in British Columbia," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to provide for the Settlement of Differences between the Dominion and the Province respecting Staking for Minerals on Indian Reserves in British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
Report adopted.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Perry presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,' a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Hart presented a Return of all moneys paid and received by Official Administrators, pursuant to the "Administration Act," chapter 5, R.S.B.C. 1936.

The Hon. Mr. Maitland presented a Return with relation to the matters mentioned in the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Guthrie:—

That an Order of the House be granted by the Attorney-General giving the names and years of service of all Police Inspectors in the Province, together with their respective salaries.

Whereupon, by leave of the House, said notice of motion was withdrawn.

- Mr. Finland asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
- 1. What moneys have been spent on the following roads during 1942, namely, Shawnigan Lake Road, Shawnigan West Road, Halhead Road, and Shawnigan-Mill Bay Road?
 - 2. How many men from Shawnigan are employed at present on road-maintenance?
- 3. Is there an Assistant District Engineer employed by the Public Works Department in Esquimalt District?
 - 4. If so, what salary is paid to such Assistant District Engineer?
- 5. Is such salary paid out of the district appropriation for public works in Esquimalt District?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

- "1. Since March 31st, 1942: Shawnigan Lake Road, \$3,157.48; Shawnigan West Road, \$152.30; Halhead Road, \$86.57; Shawnigan-Mill Bay Road, \$177.50.
 - "2. None.
 - "3. Yes.
 - "4. \$225 per month.
 - "5. No."
- $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Finland$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the Metchosin Road?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?
 - 3. Of what did such work consist?
 - 4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

The Hon, Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

- "1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.
 - "2. Between Sooke Road to corner of Happy Valley and Quarantine Roads.
 - "3. Answered by No. 1.
 - "4. \$1,879.54."
- $\operatorname{Mr.}\ Finland$ asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
- 1. Since March 31st, 1942, what, if any, maintenance-work has been done on the Hall and Hawkins Road?
 - 2. Between what points on such road was such work done?
 - 3. Of what did such work consist?
 - 4. What sum or sums of money were expended on such work?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

- "1. General maintenance such as asphaltic repairs, gravelling, ditching, installation of culverts, and repairs to bridges.
 - "2. Between Island Highway and Cuthbert Road.
 - "3. Answered by No. 1.
 - "4. \$94.70."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.37 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3rd, 1943.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. MacDonald, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.05 p.m.

Thursday, March 4th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. C. Devenish.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Finland, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Thursday, March 4th, 1943.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Perry*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland (in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Pearson), Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dentistry Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.13 p.m.