

## Friday, March 20th, 1936.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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.

Motion agreed to.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,887,530.81 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1937.
4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,064.96 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1937.
5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,926.70 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1937.
6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,547.24 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Branch, to 31st March, 1937.
7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,353.92 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1937.
8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,630.84 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, Entomology, and Apiary Inspection, to 31st March, 1937.
9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$105,403.04 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1937.
10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,592.80 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crop and Seed Improvement Branch, to 31st March, 1937.
11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,612 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, to 31st March, 1937.
12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, International, National, and Provincial Exhibits, to 31st March, 1937.
13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,220.84 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey Branch, to 31st March, 1937.
14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Automobiles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1937.
15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations and Fairs, to 31st March, 1937.
16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Vancouver Exhibition Association (Buildings), to 31st March, 1937.
17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,532.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Corporation of City of Victoria (Buildings), to 31st March, 1937.
18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Interior Provincial Fair Association, to 31st March, 1937.
19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Chilliwack Agricultural Association, to 31st March, 1937.
20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, In Aid of Kamloops Bull Sale, to 31st March, 1937.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1937.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1937.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Gopher Extermination, to 31st March, 1937.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1937.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*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 20th, 1936.*

*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. 32) 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. *Weir* presented the following papers:—

Annual Report of the Civil Service Commissioner for the Year ended March 31st, 1935.

Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial Home for Girls for the Year ended March 31st, 1935.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*, it was *Ordered* that the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to grant certain Powers to the City of Prince Rupert" be discharged, and the Bill referred to a Committee of the Whole to be considered at the next sitting.

Mr. *Planta* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What was the total revenue received through the Government offices at Pouce Coupe for each of the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

"1929-30, \$46,808.24; 1930-31, \$57,727.68; 1931-32, \$64,977.05; 1932-33, \$52,952.97; 1933-34, \$53,141.67; 1934-35, \$61,654.75; 1935-36 (11 months), \$59,145.52."

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Have any fatal accidents on highways in the Nelson-Creston, Cranbrook, or Rossland-Trail Constituencies been reported between January 1st, 1935, and March 15th, 1936?

2. If so, how many?

3. If so, were any verdicts of Coroners' juries calling attention to dangerous condition of highways reported to the Department?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. Three. Accidental fall from an automobile on Robson Road, 1; accidental fall from a truck on main highway Nelway to Salmo, 1; being hit by a car at junction Kimberley-Cranbrook-Fernie Highway, 1.

“3. No. None of the deaths were caused as a result of dangerous road conditions.”

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Have any cases originating in the Peace River District been tried before Assize Courts during 1934 and 1935?

2. If so, how many, and where were they tried?

3. If answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, in how many cases were convictions secured?

4. If answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, what was the total cost of each case in: (a) Barristers' fees and expenses; (b) travelling expenses; (c) cost of witnesses; (d) other expenses?

5. Does the Department take any precautions to prevent prosecution of persons in cases where evidence taken at preliminary hearings is of such nature that conviction is not indicated?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. Three. Prince George, 1; Quesnel, 2.

“3. One conviction which was reversed on appeal.

“4. Costs of Assize Court trials not segregated.

“5. Yes.”

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Does the Attorney-General's Department engage the services of barristers, who are not regularly employed in the Government Service, to: (a) Investigate the justification of preferring criminal charges; (b) act as Crown Prosecutors?

2. If so, at what rates of pay?

3. If answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, does the Department take precautions to see that time is not put in unnecessarily on such cases?

4. If such barristers are employed, what allowance is given them in cases where they formally apply for remand?

5. Does the Department take any precautions to prevent unnecessary remanding of cases?

6. If so, what?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

“1. (a.) No. (b.) Yes.

“2. Preliminary hearings, \$15 per Court-day; summary convictions, \$15 per Court-day; speedy trials, \$25 per Court-day; Assize Court trials, \$50 per Court-day.

“3. In criminal cases the matter rests with the Court.

“4. \$2.50.

“5. The remanding of cases is within the jurisdiction of the Magistrates or of the Court.

“6. Answered by No. 5.”

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Were any prosecutions arising out of motor-vehicle accidents made on charges of manslaughter during 1935?

2. If so, how many?

3. If answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, in how many cases were convictions entered?

4. What was the total cost of such prosecutions?

5. What amount, if any, was paid to barristers in connection with such cases?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

“1. See Votes and Proceedings, March 12th, 1936, page 4.

“2. Answered by No. 1.

“3. Answered by No. 1.

“4 and 5. Manslaughter charges are tried at the Assizes. Costs of Assize Court trials not segregated.”

Mr. *Savage* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. What was the total number of licences issued to motor-vehicles for the year 1935 on: (a) April 1st, 1935; (b) on May 1st, 1935; (c) on June 1st, 1935?
2. What was the total number of licences issued to motor-vehicles for the year 1935?
3. What was the total number of licences issued to motor-vehicles for the year 1936 on March 7th, 1936?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) Total motor-vehicle licences issued to March 31st, 1935, 63,395; (b) total motor-vehicle licences issued to April 30th, 1935, 70,892; (c) total motor-vehicle licences issued to May 31st, 1935, 78,137.

“ 2. Total motor-vehicle licences issued for 1935 licence-year, 96,867.

“ 3. Total motor-vehicle licences issued for 1936 up to and including March 7th, 1936, 59,626.”

*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.

## Friday, March 20th, 1936.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, 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 Mr. *E. E. Winch*—Bill (No. 39) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Workmen’s Compensation Act.’ ”

On the motion of Mr. *E. E. Winch*—Bill (No. 40) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Marriage Act.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 28) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 27) intituled “ An Act respecting the City of Vancouver.”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 30) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Counties Definition Act.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 29) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Creditors’ Relief Act.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 33) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Municipal Elections Act.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 34) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ City of Port Coquitlam Reduction of Interest Act, 1935.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 35) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ City of Prince Rupert Refunding Act, 1935.’ ”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 36) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ City of Port Moody Refunding Act, 1935.’ ”

On the motion of Mr. *Swaiiles*—Bill (No. 41) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Land Act.’ ”

On the motion of Mr. *Tupper*—Bill (No. 31) intituled “ An Act respecting Naturopathic Physicians.”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 37) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Savings and Loan Associations Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 38) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Mortgagors’ and Purchasers’ Relief Act, 1934.’”

On the motion of Mr. *Johnson*, Bill (No. 42) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Barbers Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,935.92 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Minister’s Office, to 31st March, 1937.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$445,213.34 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Salaries, to 31st March, 1937.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1937.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Protection Fund, to 31st March, 1937.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lumber Trade Extension (including Grants in Aid thereof), to 31st March, 1937.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March, 1937.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reconnaissance and Cruising, to 31st March, 1937.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1937.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1937.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, B.C. Hydrometric Service, to 31st March, 1937.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, “Soldiers’ Land Act,” to 31st March, 1937.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Surveys and Maps, to 31st March, 1937.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Refund of Stumpage deposited with Dominion Government by Homesteaders in Former Railway Belt and Peace River Block prior to Transfer, to 31st March, 1937.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Refunds under “Land Act” and “Revenue Act,” to 31st March, 1937.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Publicity, to 31st March, 1937.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1937.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Contribution towards Cost of Road on False Creek, to 31st March, 1937.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,200.88 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General’s Office, to 31st March, 1937.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,181.08 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1937.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,356.64 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1937.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,775.79 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1937.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,783.42 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1937.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,212.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1937.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,355 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1937.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,259.82 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1937.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,092.06 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1937.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$731,277.72 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1937.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

#### REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 20th, 1936.

#### MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time for receiving reports be extended to the 27th instant.  
All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. S. WISMER, *Chairman*.

The Report was read and received.

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

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

1. Were any appointments made in the Peace River Block to the positions of Homestead Inspectors during June, July, August, September, and October of 1935?
2. If so, how many?
3. If so, for what reason were additional inspectors required at this time?

The Hon. Mr. Gray replied as follows:—

"1. Yes; appointments made in April and May, 1935.

"2. Three permanent; six temporary.

"3. No Provincial inspection system in Block prior to these appointments. Temporary inspectors only employed for average of 45 days each to cope with arrears and facilitate work of permanent inspectors."

Mr. *Planta* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:—

What was the total amount of money spent on relief in the Peace River Electoral District during each of the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

“See Annual Reports, Minister of Public Works.”

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

1. Was any money spent in repairs to highways damaged by the flooding of the Bella Coola River in 1934?
2. Was any money spent in repairing the mattress on the banks of the Bella Coola River?
3. What was the total sum spent by the Government in all repairs: For mattress; highways; ballasting mattress?
4. How much was spent for: Material; wages; team-hire; truck-hire?
5. Was any money spent in the Bella Coola area to rectify damage caused through the flooding of the Bella Coola River in 1917, 1922, 1927, 1932, and 1934?
6. What was the total amount spent in each year?
7. What proportion in each year spent for: Wages; material; day-labour; contract?
8. Was any money spent on the Chilcotin Road from Bella Coola to Williams Lake during the years 1934 and 1935?
9. What amount for maintenance and new construction?
10. How many miles of road between Bella Coola and Williams Lake?
11. How many miles require to be constructed to provide through traffic? What is the estimated cost of construction based upon average cost of completed portion?

The Hon. Mr. *MacPherson* replied as follows:—

“1 and 2. Yes.

“3 and 4. \$36,354.76. Material, \$7,640.95; wages, \$27,187.19; team-hire, \$831.37; truck-hire, \$695.25.

“5. Yes.

“6 and 7. See Public Works Reports. Cannot separate cost of repairs from cost of other work done at the same time.

“8. Yes.

“9. \$16,088.13; \$2,700.67.

“10. 305 miles approximately.

“11. To provide for vehicular traffic, at least 100 miles, at a cost of not less than \$500,000, depending on standard adopted.”

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

1. Has a Resident Mining Engineer been appointed for Mineral Survey District No. 6?
2. If so: (a) Who is the Resident Mining Engineer; (b) where are his headquarters;
- (c) what remuneration does he receive; (d) is he a registered professional engineer (mining);
- (e) if so, what was the date of his registration?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. (a) B. T. O'Grady; (b) Vancouver, B.C.; (c) \$3,900 per annum, gross; (d) yes; (e) about 1920.”

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

1. Did the Department of Mines receive any intimation that the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd., had placed restrictions against the acceptance of siliceous ores at Trail Smelter during 1935 and 1936?
2. If so, upon what dates, and from whom?
3. If so, did the Resident Mining Engineer make any report upon the matter?
4. If so, of what nature, and with what recommendations, if any?
5. If answer to No. 1 is in affirmative, did the Minister make any representations to said company?
6. If so, of what nature, and with what result?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. No. Department obtained information from other sources.
- “ 2. October, 1935.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. Interim report, directed to economy of installation concentrating-mill, Boundary District. Conclusions as yet indefinite.
- “ 5. Yes.
- “ 6. Yes. Offer of lease of company's concentrator at Trail to group of custom shippers.”

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

- 1. Did the Department of Mines cause an examination to be made of holdings of the Cardinal Mining and Development Co., Ltd. (N.P.L.)?
- 2. If so, for what reason?
- 3. Did any person or company request an examination into the affairs of the said company?
- 4. If so, whom?
- 5. If answer to No. 1 is in affirmative, who made the investigation, and between what dates?
- 6. If investigation was made, was snow lying on the ground, and to what depth?
- 7. If investigation was made, what publicity was given to such investigation?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. In regular course of Resident Engineer's season's field-work.
- “ 3. No.
- “ 4. Answered by the above.
- “ 5. B. T. O'Grady, Resident Mining Engineer; headquarters, City of Vancouver; approximate date, late October, 1935.
- “ 6. Conditions, Mr. O'Grady's report says: 'Examination was curtailed by snow-storm.'
- “ 7. Distribution among daily and technical press.”

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.28 p.m.

## Monday, March 23rd, 1936.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker suspended the sitting for ten minutes, pending the arrival of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

THIRTEEN MINUTES TO THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the chair,—

*William H. Langley*, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

- (No. 3) An Act respecting the Issuance of Writs for certain Elections in the Omineca and Vancouver-Burrard Electoral Districts.
- (No. 5) An Act to amend the “Coal and Petroleum Act.”



- (No. 6) An Act respecting Liability for Damages for Negligence where more than One Person is at Fault.
- (No. 7) An Act to amend the "Codling-moth Control Act."
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the "Canadian Farm Loan (British Columbia) Act."
- (No. 9) An Act to amend the "Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act."
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905."
- (No. 11) An Act to relieve the Kettle Valley Railway Company from certain Obligations imposed under an Agreement bearing Date the Twenty-eighth Day of February, 1910, between His Majesty the King and the Kettle River Valley Railway Company, and a certain other Agreement bearing Date the Twenty-eighth Day of February, 1914, between His Majesty the King and the Kettle Valley Railway Company.
- (No. 13) An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Nelson.
- (No. 16) An Act to amend the "Sheep Protection Act."
- (No. 19) An Act to amend the "Interpretation Act."
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the "Game Act."

His Honour was pleased, in His Majesty's name, to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the House, and Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Renewal of a certain Lease granted to the Lightning Creek Gold Gravels and Drainage Company, Limited Liability," was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Provincial System of Health Insurance," a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hanna*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935,'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Wismer*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments respecting the Practice of Land Surveying."

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to enable The Corporation of Delta to establish Drainage Areas and Drainage-works."

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act respecting the City of Vancouver."

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'City of Port Coquitlam Reduction of Interest Act, 1935.'"

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'City of Prince Rupert Refunding Act, 1935.'"

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'City of Port Moody Refunding Act, 1935.'"

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act.'"

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934.'"

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act respecting Okanagan Loan & Investment Trust Company."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Victoria Foundation."

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to grant certain Powers to the City of Prince Rupert" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of The Corporation of the City of New Westminster" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Abandonment of certain Tax Sales in the City of Prince Rupert" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Site Act, 1918'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mrs. *Steeves* on 18th instant, as follows:—

Whereas the present Government of British Columbia has repeatedly declared itself in favour of a policy of setting the unemployed to work at necessary public works and substituting a "work and wages" policy for the present system of work for relief; and

Whereas the Canadian House of Commons has recognized the necessity for housing and slum-clearance schemes by making loans available to individuals and corporations for the purpose of financing housing schemes; and

Whereas a housing plan is of all schemes of public works most suited to give employment to many classes of skilled and unskilled labour, and to distribute the largest possible amount of money in the form of wages and purchasing-power:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House appoint a Committee to make a survey of the housing needs of British Columbia and to draw up a housing plan for the Province.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Stoan*,—

To strike out all the words after the word "schemes" in the sixth line, and to insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"Therefore be it Resolved, That the Economic Council be instructed to make a survey of the housing problem in British Columbia from all angles and report its findings."

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

Mr. *H. E. Winch* moved, seconded by Mr. *E. E. Winch*,—

Whereas, according to authoritative press dispatches dated January 15th, 1936, the Dominion Provincial Committee on Financial Problems reported that, "Subject to the necessary amendments to the 'British North America Act,' the Provinces agreed to a proposal by which, if they are to enjoy Federal guarantees in support of their refunding and borrowing operations, they must place these matters under practical control of the Dominion Treasury"; and

Whereas it is definitely stated in said press dispatch that, "Once they accepted such guarantees under the proposed scheme, all then future borrowings would be subject to approval of the Federal Treasury"; and

Whereas, if such a course was acceded to by this Province, it would further enable the Federal House and Eastern financial and industrial interests to control and retard the development of British Columbia:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly go on record as opposed to any abrogation of Provincial rights or jurisdiction.

And be it further Resolved, That this Assembly urges upon the Government the vital necessity of the Province retaining full autonomy to control its own borrowings and spending within its own geographical borders, under authority of the "British North America Act."

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* rose to a point of order with reference to the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Murray*:—

Whereas this House is on record as approving construction of the British Columbia-Alaska Highway when other Governments concerned are able to come to an agreement regarding same:

And whereas consent of the Government of the Dominion of Canada with respect to right-of-way through the Yukon Territory is necessary to enable the project to go forward:

And whereas the Government of the United States has expressed willingness to associate itself with the Dominion of Canada in the launching of this project:

And whereas the Government of British Columbia by favourable action at this time has an opportunity to greatly aid development of the northern hinterland:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House reaffirm its approval of urging a joint effort on the part of the Governments affected towards securing an international accord under which plans for construction may be carried forward.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing in the name of Mr. *Sutherland*, was withdrawn:—

That the reports and recommendations of Mr. Pipe, H. H. Wolfenden, Professor G. F. Drummond, and Professor N. B. McLean in connection with State Health Insurance be tabled.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented the following papers:—

Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Planta*:—

1. How many persons are employed in the Government office at Pouce Coupe, Peace River District, and give names and salaries of each person employed?

2. What is the total overhead cost of maintaining the Government office at Pouce Coupe?

3. Are there any sub-Government offices or agents in the Peace River District? If so, where are they located, who are employed in each, and what commissions or salaries are paid in each case?

4. What is the total capital investment in Government buildings and real estate in Peace River District?

5. What money, if any, has been spent in the years 1934 and 1935 on repairs, new construction, and equipment for the Government offices in Pouce Coupe?

6. Has any money been spent for a safe for the Government office at Pouce Coupe; and, if so, how much? If not, is it the intention of the Government to procure a safe during the coming year, and has provision been made for the same in this year's Estimates; and, if so, how much?

7. Does the Government Agent at Pouce Coupe get any allowance for living-quarters; and, if so, how much, specifying house, wood, ice, and garden as separate items?

8. Does the Government Agent at Pouce Coupe get any other moneys from any other departments or for any other duties in addition to that of Government Agent? If so, how much in each case, and for what services?

9. Does the said Government Agent get an allowance for transportation; and, if so, how much was allowed for each year during 1933, 1934, and 1935?

10. Has any money been provided in the Estimates at any time for the construction of a new Government office at Pouce Coupe; and, if so, how much?

Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Bakewell*:—

1. How many companies in British Columbia filed income returns showing incomes: (a) In excess of \$100,000; (b) \$25,000 to \$100,000; (c) \$10,000 to \$25,000; (d) \$5,000 to \$10,000; (e) \$2,000 to \$5,000, during the year ended March 31st, 1935?
2. What was the total income tax collected on each of these grades?
3. What was the total net income of companies within these grades?
4. How many individuals filed income returns showing incomes: (a) In excess of \$100,000; (b) \$25,000 to \$100,000; (c) \$10,000 to \$25,000; (d) \$5,000 to \$10,000; (e) \$2,000 to \$5,000; (f) less than \$2,000, during the year ended March 31st, 1935?
5. What was the gross income tax collected on each of these grades?
6. Was any sum paid as refund on excess income tax collected?
7. If so, what amount?
8. Has any income tax been collected from non-residents of British Columbia under the above heads?
9. If so, have any refunds been made to such persons?
10. If so, to how many people and companies, and to what amount?

Mr. *Planta* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Have any homesteads or pre-emptions been cancelled in the Peace River District during the years 1934 and 1935?
2. If so, how many in each year, and for what reasons?
3. How many were resident and how many non-resident pre-emptions?
4. How many of cancelled pre-emptions or homesteads have been refiled upon, if any?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. 212 in 1934 and 429 in 1935 for non-occupation or failure to complete required improvements.

“3. 1934, 134 records issued under section 16 of the ‘Land Act’ (resident) and 36 under section 28 of the ‘Land Act’ (partial residents); 31 homesteads (Department unable to segregate number of resident and non-resident). 1935, 276 under section 16 of the ‘Land Act’ (resident) and 39 under section 28 of the ‘Land Act’ (partial resident); 114 homesteads (Department unable to segregate number resident and non-resident; to answer question will necessitate search of individual files in office of local Land Commissioner).

“4. 127.”

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

1. Has any acreage at Sumas previously acquired by Victor Spencer for tobacco-raising reverted to the Government?
2. If yes: (a) What was the original acreage acquired; (b) what acreage has reverted?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

“1. No.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

Mr. *Planta* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

What was the total amount of money expended by the Department of Lands in the Peace River Electoral District during each of the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

“1930, \$13,359.40; 1931, \$18,970.43; 1932, \$2,445.14; 1933, \$2,270.83; 1934, \$6,918.60; 1935, \$8,842.48.”

Mr. *Swailes* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Have any of the Sumas purchasers been evicted recently, or served with notice of eviction?
2. If yes, how many?
3. What provision has been made, or is contemplated, to care for the families of those evicted?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. No; one eviction in progress.
- “ 2. Answered by No. 1.
- “ 3. Answered by No. 1.”

Mr. *Price* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

- 1. Was a conviction obtained against the operators of the Narrows Café in North Vancouver in January, 1935, for violation of “Liquor Act”?
- 2. If so, was any penalty imposed by the Court?
- 3. If so, was the penalty enforced?
- 4. If not, for what reason?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. Yes; fined \$1,000.
- “ 3. No.
- “ 4. The accused had no funds with which to liquidate the fine. An order was made by the Magistrate to levy by distress on the goods and chattels of the Narrows Café, Ltd. The Sheriff carried out these orders, but found that there was no property on which to realize.”

Mr. *Price* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

- 1. Has any report been received regarding explosions in the vicinity of the Warfield Chemical Plant (near Trail)?
- 2. If so, what were the dates of such explosions, and what damage was done?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes; by the Provincial Fire Marshal.
- “ 2. December 14th, 1931, explosion of gas caused by synthetic column; damage, \$11,000. February 6th, 1936, explosion of hydrogen and air in both crank-cases simultaneously in the Canadian Ingersoll-Rand compressor; damage, \$3,000.”

Mr. *Price* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

- 1. Has the Department any information as to the amount of explosive materials stored at Warfield?
- 2. If so, is it considered detrimental to the safety of residents of the district?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. There is no material in itself explosive stored at Warfield. Hydrogen is stored in quantities in suitable gas-holders.
- “ 2. There are no residents in the near vicinity of the Warfield plant.”

*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 5.15 p.m.

Monday, March 23rd, 1936.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* on the motion moved by Mr. *H. E. Winch* to-day, as follows:—

*Honourable Members*,—A point of order was raised by the Honourable the Prime Minister on the following motion by the honourable first member for Vancouver East (Mr. *H. E. Winch*):—

"Whereas, according to authoritative press dispatches dated January 15th, 1936, the Dominion Provincial Committee on Financial Problems reported that, 'Subject to the necessary amendments to the "British North America Act," the Provinces agreed to a proposal by which, if they are to enjoy Federal guarantees in support of their refunding and borrowing operations, they must place these matters under practical control of the Dominion Treasury'; and

"Whereas it is definitely stated in said press dispatch that, 'Once they accepted such guarantees under the proposed scheme, all then future borrowings would be subject to approval of the Federal Treasury'; and

"Whereas, if such a course was acceded to by this Province, it would further enable the Federal House and Eastern financial and industrial interests to control and retard the development of British Columbia:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly go on record as opposed to any abrogation of Provincial rights or jurisdiction.

"And be it further Resolved, That this Assembly urges upon the Government the vital necessity of the Province retaining full autonomy to control its own borrowings and spending within its own geographical borders, under authority of the 'British North America Act.'"

The preamble to the motion states that "The Provinces agreed to a proposal by which, if they are to enjoy Federal guarantees in support of their refunding and borrowing operations, they must place these matters under practical control of the Dominion Treasury."

No evidence appears to exist that the Provinces so agreed, and I am of the opinion, after inquiring of the representatives of this Province, the Resolution is based upon unfounded and incorrect facts, and is therefore irregular and out of order.

It is unnecessary to consider the regularity or otherwise of the motion in regard to other points of order on which the Resolution may trespass, as a motion affirming a fact, the incorrectness of which is clear, is sufficient to make the motion out of order.

B.C. Journals, March 14th, 1933. *Desjardins*, 643, 665, 667.

H. G. PERRY, *Speaker*.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* on the notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Murray*, as follows:—

*Honourable Members*.—A point of order was raised by the Honourable the Prime Minister on the following notice of motion by the honourable member for Lillooet (Mr. *Murray*):—

"Whereas this House is on record as approving construction of the British Columbia-Alaska Highway when other Governments concerned are able to come to an agreement regarding same:

"And whereas consent of the Government of the Dominion of Canada with respect to right-of-way through the Yukon Territory is necessary to enable the project to go forward:

"And whereas the Government of the United States has expressed willingness to associate itself with the Dominion of Canada in the launching of this project:

"And whereas the Government of British Columbia by favourable action at this time has an opportunity to greatly aid development of the northern hinterland:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this House reaffirm its approval of urging a joint effort on the part of the Governments affected towards securing an international accord under which plans for construction may be carried forward."

The Resolution asks "this House reaffirm its approval of urging a joint effort on the parts of the Governments affected towards securing an international accord under which plans for construction may be carried forward."

The only Resolution I can find that can be the one referred to and which the Resolution now seeks to reaffirm is the amended Resolution passed by this House on March 23rd, 1935, as follows:—

"Be it therefore Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly will be glad to facilitate the project of the Alaska Highway through British Columbia if and when the various other Governments interested and concerned submit proposals for same."

The Resolution now before the House is obviously limited in scope to affirming again an opinion which has already been approved by this House in the above-mentioned amended Resolu-

tion. (B.C. Journals, 1935, March 23rd, page 121.) I do not think the passing of the Resolution necessarily entails public expenditure.

I rule the motion is in order, and that it be allowed to proceed.

H. G. PERRY, *Speaker*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$159,102.83 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1937.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$197,418.34 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$84,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1937.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1937.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1937.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds (Bounties, Salaries, and Expenses), to 31st March, 1937.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1937.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Revision of Statutes—Legislative Counsel, to 31st March, 1937.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies (not otherwise provided for), to 31st March, 1937.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$126,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Expenses (including Administration, Maintenance of Buildings, Launches, Autos, and other Equipment, etc.), to 31st March, 1937.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Water Surveys, to 31st March, 1937.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,656.40 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, General Office, to 31st March, 1937.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1937.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,858.52 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1937.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,594.84 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1937.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,344 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Inspector of Apprenticeship, to 31st March, 1937.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Vocational Guidance and Employment of Youth, to 31st March, 1937.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Economic Council, to 31st March, 1937.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,270.48 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Employment Service, to 31st March, 1937.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,465.58 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1937.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,244.96 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office—General Administration, to 31st March, 1937.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,336.24 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,256.80 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,491.94 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,145.34 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Mineral Survey and Development Act," to 31st March, 1937.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,703.20 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1937.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants, to 31st March, 1937.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, etc., to 31st March, 1937.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Lectures on Practical Geology and Mineralogy, to 31st March, 1937.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy *re* Explosives to assist *Bona-fide* Mineral Prospectors, to 31st March, 1937.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Advertising, Miscellaneous Bulletins, Incidentals, and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1937.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Silicosis Investigation, to 31st March, 1937.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,815.66 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, to 31st March, 1937.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again 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 11.25 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24th, 1936.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Provincial System of Health Insurance."

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Wismer*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.



Bill (No. 32) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Public Schools Act ' " was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,564.92 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1937.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,322.32 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1937.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,625.90 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Probate and Succession Duties Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$65,640.94 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,807.62 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,900.86 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office and B.C. House, London, England, to 31st March, 1937.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$631,499.30 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1937.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,492.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1937.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Revenue Receipts, Bonds, Cheques, Estimates, etc., to 31st March, 1937.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Suitors' Funds Deposits, to 31st March, 1937.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Delinquent Extra-municipal School Taxes, to 31st March, 1937.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1937.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Bureau of Information and General Publicity (including Grants), to 31st March, 1937.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grant to the City of Greenwood, to 31st March, 1937.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grant to the City of Rossland, to 31st March, 1937.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,965.96 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1937.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$171,666.40 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1937.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$151,309.76 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1937.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,736 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1937.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,415,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1937.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Highways within Municipal Limits, to 31st March, 1937.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$317,845.80 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance and Repairs to Government Buildings and Rental of Offices (except Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1937.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,773.12 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, to 31st March, 1937.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,822 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, to 31st March, 1937.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 24th, 1936.*

*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. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle 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:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*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 24th, 1936.*

*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 '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.

On the motion of Mr. *Whittaker*, Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Chiroprody Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented the report of the Select Committee on Statute Revision appointed on the 4th instant, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 23rd, 1936.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee on Statute Revision begs leave to report as follows:—

Your Committee has examined into the draft revision, classification, and consolidation of the public general Statutes of the Province which has been made and printed under the direction of the Attorney-General, and into the Statutes which have expired or which have been rearranged, varied, changed, repealed, amended, corrected, or altered in the course of the said revision, classification, and consolidation, and finds that the work of revision, classification, and consolidation has been properly carried out.

Your Committee recommends that a Bill be introduced and passed at the present Session approving of the said revision, classification, and consolidation of the Statutes, and making provision for the incorporation therewith of the amendments and public general Acts enacted during the present Session, or which may be enacted during any other Session of the Legislature held in the year 1936, and for the publication of the same when completed; and also providing that the Statutes so completed shall come into force and effect as law from a date to be declared by Proclamation of the Lieutenant-Governor.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GORDON MCG. SLOAN, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

Mr. *Price* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Was an investigation made of the Wayside mine, Bridge River District, pursuant to the powers contained in the "Securities Act"?
2. If so, when?
3. If an investigation was made, who was the representative or who were the representatives of the Attorney-General in such investigation?
4. Was a report received from such representative or representatives?
5. Did the report, if any, disclose that any fraudulent act had been committed?
6. Did the report, if any, disclose that any offence against the "Securities Act" had been committed?
7. Will the report or reports, if any, be tabled?
8. What action has been taken as a result of the report, if any?
9. What is: (a) Total amount paid to each representative in fees; (b) travelling expenses of each; (c) for all other expenses?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

"1. No. An investigation, however, was made of the Wayside Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd. (Non-Personal Liability).

"2. Fifty-seven days between August 16th, 1934, and November 14th, 1934.

"3. G. L. Fraser, barrister, etc., Vancouver.

"4. Yes.

"5 and 6. *See* answer to No. 8.

"7. No. Such report is by the 'Securities Act' not subject to disclosure.

"8. The following were prosecuted for unlawfully committing an offence under the provisions of the 'Securities Act,' Statutes of British Columbia, 1930, and amendments thereto, to wit: By violating the provisions of the 'Securities Act' relating to trading in shares of the capital stock of Wayside Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd.: Vancouver Stock and Bond Co., Ltd.; George St. John; Purvis E. Ritchie; and Colquhoun, de Wolfe & Co., Ltd.; all of whom pleaded guilty, resulting in fines to the amount of \$20,000.

"9. (a) and (b) G. L. Fraser, counsel and solicitor's fees and expenses on the investigation, \$3,750; A. B. Macdonald, K.C., counsel fees and expenses on prosecutions, \$271; (c) chartered accountants, \$1,500; stenographers, \$446."

Mr. *Planta* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What rate per acre is being charged to irrigationists in each of the Water Districts in the Province?

2. Did the Government install a domestic water system on the South Okanagan irrigation project at Oliver; and, if so, what was the cost thereof?

3. If so, what rates are being charged, and does the rates so charged meet all overhead costs in connection with the system?

4. If not, what has been the annual loss during the past eight years?

5. What arrangement, or agreement, has been made between the Government and the settlers in the project for the supply of electric current for: (a) Pumping water; (b) domestic use; and what rates are being charged to the users?

6. Does the electric rates so charged meet all overhead costs in connection with the system; and, if not, what has been the annual loss during the past eight years?

7. How many officials were employed by the Government in the project at Oliver during the year 1935, and what has been the total cost?

8. Are all highways in the project at Oliver built and maintained by the Government?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

"1. See table on pages 87 and 88.

"2. Yes; \$61,418.70.

"3. Domestic water charge. Service charge varies from 20 cents to \$2.50 per month, according to size of service; and use charge for all water used up to a maximum of 600 cubic feet per month, \$2.50; for each 100 cubic feet or any part thereof used in excess of 600 cubic feet a month, 9 cents. The rates charged meet the annual cost of repairs and operation.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"5. No arrangement or agreement was made to supply electrical energy to settlers.

"6. Answered by No. 5.

"7. Two officials and a stenographer are employed on project. There are a number of other employees engaged when necessary.

"8. Yes."

Answer to Question 1.

Year.	District.	TAXES.							Tolls.	Discounts.
		Grades.				Rates per Acre.				
		A.	A 1.	A 2.	A 3.	B.	C.	D.		
1935	Black Mountain	-----	\$6.59	\$5.80	\$4.59	-----	-----	-----	\$1.95 per acre up to June 30th plus \$4.14 per acre-foot from July 1st to termination of season	No discount on taxes; 10 per cent. discount on tolls if paid before May 29th.
1935	Cawston	\$2.00	-----	-----	-----	\$0.50	-----	-----	\$8.00 per acre	No discount.
1934	East Creston	12.50	-----	-----	-----	10.00	\$6.50	\$3.00	No irrigation tolls	No discount.
1935	Girouard	2.00	-----	-----	-----	4.00	-----	-----	\$1 per acre on Grade A lands; \$1.50 per acre on Grade B lands	No discount.
1935	Glenmore	2.00	-----	-----	-----	.50	-----	-----	\$1.64 per acre-foot from May 6th to June 16th; \$3.28 per acre-foot from June 17th to November 30th	No discount.
1935	Grand Forks	-----	1.50	1.50	-----	-----	-----	-----	4½ cents per 1,000 cubic feet on Unit No. 1; 5½ cents per 1,000 cubic feet on Unit No. 2	No discount on taxes; 10 per cent. discount on tolls if paid before February 15th, 1936.
1935	Heffley	1.35	-----	-----	-----	2.95	2.10	-----	\$1.10 per acre-foot	No discount.
1935	Kaleden	15.00	-----	-----	-----	11.00	-----	-----	\$3.25 per acre, but if paid before September 15th, 1935, \$3 per acre accepted	2 per cent. discount on taxes if paid before December 15th, 1935; discount on tolls as mentioned in toll column.
1935	Keremeos	10.00	-----	-----	-----	5.00	-----	-----	No irrigation tolls	10 per cent. discount on one-half Grade A tax if paid by July 15th, 1935, and 10 per cent. on other half of Grade A tax and also Grade B tax if paid by January 15th, 1936.
1935	Malcolm Horie	2.50	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	No irrigation tolls	No discount.
1935	Marble Canyon	1.00	-----	-----	-----	.80	-----	-----	No irrigation tolls	No discount.
1935	Naramata	5.50	-----	-----	-----	4.00	2.00	-----	\$6 per acre	50 cents per acre discount on Grade A land only; no discount on tolls.
1935	Oyama	10.00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$7.70 per acre on Grade A land, Interlaken area; \$9.50 per acre on Westside low-level area; \$12.85 per acre on Westside high-level area	10 per cent. discount on taxes if paid before November 1st, 1935; no discount on tolls.
1935	Peachland	11.00	-----	-----	to	7.00	-----	-----	No irrigation tolls	No discount.
1935	Penticton Municipality	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$14 per acre	No discount.
1935	Robson	-----	-----	3.00	-----	-----	-----	-----	No irrigation tolls	No discount.

Answer to Question 1—Continued.

Year.	District.	TAXES.							Tolls.	Discounts.
		Grades.				Rates per Acre.				
		A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.	G.		
1934	Scotty Creek.....	\$3.30	\$3.07	\$2.77	\$2.64	\$2.14	\$1.38	\$0.76	-----	10 per cent. discount on taxes if paid by March 1st, 1936.
1935	South-east Kelowna.....	A. 6.10	A 1. -----	A 2. -----	A 3. -----	B. 3.05	C. -----	D. -----	\$2.50 per acre-foot.....	10 per cent. discount on tolls if paid by May 1st, 1936.
1935	Summerland.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$12 per acre for parcels of land containing 7 acres or more of irrigable land; higher charges for lesser areas	10 per cent. discount if paid before May 1st, 1936.
1935	Trout Creek.....	4.00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	No irrigation tolls.....	10 per cent. discount if paid on or before September 1st, 1935.
1935	Vinsulla.....	3.05 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	-----	-----	-----	3.95 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	-----	-----	55 cents per acre-foot.....	No discount.
1934	Vernon.....	3.95	-----	-----	-----	3.95	-----	E 2. 1.10	27 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cents per acre-foot for Grade A lands in Coldstream Internal area for water delivered up to June 16th, 1934; \$2.75 per acre-foot for Grade A lands in Coldstream Internal area for water delivered after June 16th, 1934; \$1.75 per acre-foot for other Grade A lands and Grade B lands in district for water delivered to June 9th, 1934; \$2.75 per acre-foot after June 9th, 1934	30 cents per acre tax discount on Grades A and B and 10 cents per acre discount on Grade E 2; 25 cents per acre-foot toll discount given on the \$2.75 and \$1.75 toll charges if paid before February 28th, 1935.
1935	Westbank.....	2.54	-----	-----	-----	1.27	-----	-----	\$5 per acre.....	No discount.
1935	Winfield and Okanagan Centre	1.15	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$6 per acre-foot (payable to Okanagan Centre Irrigation & Power Co.)	Discount of 15 cents per acre of tax if paid before February 28th, 1936.

Mr. *Swailles* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What Government timber was purchased by the White Pine Lumber Company, Nakusp, adjacent to the Big Bend Road or north of Revelstoke, in the Kamloops Forest District, since July 1st, 1935?

2. If any timber-sales were purchased, what was the price?

3. If so, were the same publicly advertised?

4. Have any driving rights on the Columbia River, between the Big Bend and Arrowhead, been granted to the White Pine Lumber Company?

5. If so, under what terms?

6. If so, were the same advertised?

7. If so, were property-owners adjacent to the river notified according to the "Water Act"?

8. What timber, other than timber-sales, is owned by the White Pine Lumber Company adjacent to the Columbia River between Arrowhead and the Big Bend?

9. Was any portion of a logging-road between Brouse and Wilson Lake purchased by the Department of Public Works?

10. If so, was any compensation paid to the White Pine Lumber Company for the road since 1933?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

"1. None in the name of the White Pine Lumber Company, but *see* answer to No. 2 *re* sales made to S. Leary.

"2. Timber Sale X18360, August 20th, 1935: 975 M.B.M. at 70 cents and \$1.35 per M.; 85,000 lineal feet at  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  cents per lineal foot; 450 cords bolts at 50 cents per cord. Timber Sale X18977, October 2nd, 1935: 462 M.B.M. at 60 cents, 80 cents, \$1.25, and \$2.50 per M.; 31,150 lineal feet at  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  cents per lineal foot. Timber Sale X18971, October 3rd, 1935: 560 M.B.M. at 60 cents, 80 cents, \$1, and \$2.50 per M.; 47,610 lineal feet at  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  cents per lineal foot; 60 cords bolts at 50 cents per cord. Timber Sale X15601, October 17th, 1935: 333 M.B.M. at 60 cents, 75 cents, 80 cents, and \$1.50 per M.; 4,350 lineal feet at  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cents lineal foot; 1,588 cords bolts at 55 cents per cord. Timber Sale X19123, December 4th, 1935: 668 M.B.M. at 60 cents, 75 cents, \$1, and \$1.50 per M.; 66,000 lineal feet at  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  cents per lineal foot.

"3. Yes.

"4. None in the name of the White Pine Lumber Company, but S. Leary was granted Conditional Water Licence No. 12629—Clearing-streams Purpose.

"5. Ordinary provisions of the 'Water Act.'

"6. Yes.

"7. Yes.

"8. In the name of White Pine Lumber Company, Limited, Licence Timber Berth 303, containing an area of 1.02 square miles, situated south of Revelstoke.

"9. No information.

"10. *See* answer to No. 9."

Mr. *Planta* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Was any money spent in establishing the new townsite of Bella Coola, pursuant to the "Bella Coola Townsite Lands Disposal Act," 1926-27?

2. If so, what was the total amount, including cost of lands; subdivision and public works, including roads; moving of buildings; construction of bridges?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. \$88,087.02."

*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 5.26 p.m.