

Monday, February 3, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *C. Barner*.

On the motion of Mr. *Berger*, Bill (No. 6) intituled *An Act to Establish a Law Reform Commission* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 4.58 p.m.

Tuesday, February 4, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. E. Bergbusch*.

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.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *C. M. Shelford*, the following motion appearing in the Orders of the Day under his name was withdrawn:—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to study the following:—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to study the share of the consumer dollar which is spent on food products and whether the advances in technology are being shared through the channels of distribution and whether productivity improvements are being made at all levels from the producer to the consumer and whether improvements can be made that will result in

farmers' income being brought more in line with that in other sectors of the economy. With power to hear public presentations from the food and agricultural industry, organizations, and individuals, and to report its findings to this House.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* (Attorney-General) presented the Forty-sixth Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the year ended December 31, 1967.

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources) presented the Report of the Water Resources Service for the year ended December 31, 1968.

19 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to payments under section 2 of the *Iron Bounty Act*:—

1. Have any payments been made under this section to Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company since January 31, 1967?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the amounts and dates of payment to date?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“ 1 and 2. Iron bounty payments to Cominco during the calendar years 1967 and 1968 were as follows:—

1967		
Date	Cheque	Amount
June 29, 1967.....	232695	\$28,025.70
July 13, 1967.....	268254	27,312.00
August 18, 1967.....	327945	28,372.50
September 14, 1967.....	367016	26,995.80
October 12, 1967.....	419818	15,294.00
Total.....		\$126,000.00
1968		
June 24, 1968.....	828184	\$24,969.30
July 10, 1968.....	855487	25,396.80
August 21, 1968.....	919093	27,783.30
September 10, 1968.....	949751	28,023.90
October 30, 1968.....	023998	19,826.70
Total.....		\$126,000.00 ”

20 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following question:—

How many tons of coal were produced by Crows Nest Industries Limited in 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“ Coal production by Crows Nest Industries Limited: 1965, 767,036 tons; 1966, 823,350 tons; 1967, 703,934 tons; 1968, 157,549 tons.”

21 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

1. How many tons of coal were produced in British Columbia in the year 1968?
2. What was the estimated value of the coal produced?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Production statistics for 1968 not yet available; however, it is estimated coal sales will amount to 950,000 tons.

“ 2. The approximate value of the estimated production is \$7,300,000 f.o.b. mine.”

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.11 p.m.

Tuesday, February 4, 1969

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. R. Loffmark*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (Minister of Finance) presented the following:—

Fourteenth Annual Report of the Assessment Appeal Board for the year ended December 31, 1968.

Statement of Unclaimed Money Deposits, under authority of *Unclaimed Money Deposits Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1968.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.14 p.m.

Wednesday, February 5, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev G. G. Smith.

On the motion of Mr. Gardom, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 14) intituled *An Act for the Payment of Compensation for Persons Injured or Killed by Criminal Acts or Omissions.*

Bill (No. 15) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act.*

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.

On the motion of Mr. L. A. Williams, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

Pursuant to Order, the Hon. L. R. Peterson presented the Report of the Special Committee appointed on the 23rd day of January, 1969, as follows:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 5, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee appointed on January 23rd to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report and recommend that the personnel of the Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be as follows:—

STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS.—Messrs. Bonner (Convener), Tisdalle, Vogel, the Hon. W. D. Black, the Hon. D. R. J. Campbell, the Hon. Grace McCarthy, the Hon. W. McT. Skillings, Messrs. Dowding, Hall, Macdonald, and Gardom.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND PRINTING.—Messrs. Wolfe (Convener), LeCours, Mussallem, Vogel, the Hon. W. N. Chant, the Hon. R. R. Loffmark, the Hon. W. McT. Skillings, Messrs. Barrett, Dowding, Strachan, and McGeer.

MINING AND RAILWAYS.—Messrs. Smith (Convener), Phillips, Wenman, McDiarmid, the Hon. P. A. Gaglardi, the Hon. W. K. Kiernan, the Hon. R. G. Williston, Messrs. Calder, Nimsick, Strachan, and L. A. Williams.

AGRICULTURE.—Messrs. Jefcoat (Convener), Phillips, Smith, Tisdalle, the Hon. Patricia Jordan, the Hon. W. K. Kiernan, the Hon. F. X. Richter, Messrs. Barrett, Hartley, Stupich, and Gardom.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.—Messrs. *Vogel* (Convener), *Bonner*, *Capozzi*, *Jefcoat*, *Wenman*, the Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell*, the Hon. *Patricia Jordan*, Messrs. *Hall*, *Lorimer*, *R. A. Williams*, and *Cox*.

FORESTRY AND FISHERIES.—Messrs. *Chabot* (Convener), *Jefcoat*, *Mussallem*, *Phillips*, *Smith*, the Hon. *W. N. Chant*, the Hon. *Isabel Dawson*, the Hon. *P. A. Gaglardi*, the Hon. *Patricia Jordan*, the Hon. *F. X. Richter*, the Hon. *C. M. Shelford*, Messrs. *Berger*, *Calder*, *Hartley*, *Stupich*, *R. A. Williams*, *Brousson*, and *L. A. Williams*.

LABOUR.—Messrs. *Bruch* (Convener), *Capozzi*, *Chabot*, *LeCours*, *Wolfe*, *McDiarmid*, the Hon. *Isabel Dawson*, Messrs. *Eddie*, *King*, *Macdonald*, and *Clark*.

SOCIAL WELFARE AND EDUCATION.—Messrs. *Tisdalle* (Convener), *LeCours*, *Mussallem*, *Wenman*, *McDiarmid*, the Hon. *D. L. Brothers*, the Hon. *Isabel Dawson*, the Hon. *R. R. Loffmark*, the Hon. *Grace McCarthy*, Mrs. *Dailly*, Messrs. *Barrett*, *Levi*, *Parkinson*, *Brousson*, and *Clark*.

Respectfully submitted.

L. R. PETERSON, *Chairman*.

By leave of the House, the report was taken as read and received.

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

Mr. *McGeer* moved that the House proceed to "Orders of the Day."

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:—

YEAS—51

Messieurs

<i>Cox</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Phillips</i>
<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Levi</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Parkinson</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

Barrett

Gaglardi

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled *An Act for Legal Aid*, Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 67 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

63 Mr. *King* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With respect to public-school facilities at Mica Creek:—

1. How many children attend public schools at Mica Creek?
2. How many of this number are children of American citizens?

The Hon. *D. L. Brothers* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 1967/68, 198; October, 1968, 252.

“ 2. Information not available as school records do not request information on citizenship of parents.”

79 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

Regarding expenditure on advertising and publicity on Vote 5, 1967/68:—

1. Did the Department share advertising costs on a dollar-for-dollar basis with any private organizations?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the name of each organization and what was the Government's share of the cost in each case?

The Hon. *C. M. Shelford* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. British Columbia Poultry Industries Council, \$1,237.05; Sun-Rype Products Limited (development research), \$5,000; British Columbia Salad Week Committee, \$500.”

88 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Since the implementation of the work release (day parole) programme in the Department of Convictions, how many men and women have been released, on a daily basis, to work?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ Nineteen men and no women on work release programme and 61 men and 20 women on the day parole programme.”

92 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following question:—

With reference to the Stewart-Terrace Highway, is it the intention of the Government to consider the advisability of constructing a bridge over the Nass River at the south-east end of Meziadin Lake in order to connect the Columbia Cellulose Company logging-road and the Department of Fisheries' road within Tree-farm Licence No. 1?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

“ Yes.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.36 p.m.

Thursday, February 6, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Capt. *H. Tilley*.

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 16) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act*.

Bill (No. 17) intituled *An Act to Amend the Companies Act*.

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.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—29

Messieurs

<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>			

NAYS—23

Messieurs

<i>Cox</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Berger</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Stupich</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Parkinson</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Levi</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Calder</i>	

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, seconded by the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, it was *Ordered*,—

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, and that this Order have precedence over all other business, except introduction of Bills, until disposed of.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, seconded by the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, it was *Ordered*,—

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 Her Majesty.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

By leave of the House, the following petitions were presented:—

Mr. *Vogel* presented the petition of Trinity Junior College for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Trinity Junior College*.

On the motion of Mr. *Vogel* the Rules were suspended and the petition of Trinity Junior College was *Ordered* received.

Mr. *Vogel* presented the petition of the Interior Designers Institute of British Columbia for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Interior Designers*.

On the motion of Mr. *Vogel* the Rules were suspended and the petition of the Interior Designers Institute of British Columbia was *Ordered* received.

Mr. *Capozzi* presented the petition of Sister K. Dineen, Sister J. St. Laurent, Sister Christine McIntyre, and Sister Rose Roshau for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate St. Paul's Hospital at Vancouver, British Columbia*.

On the motion of Mr. *Capozzi* the Rules were suspended and the petition of Sister K. Dineen, Sister J. St. Laurent, Sister Christine McIntyre, and Sister Rose Roshau was *Ordered* received.

Mr. *Wolfe* presented the petition of United Home Life Insurance Company for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the United Home Life Insurance Company Act, 1965*.

On the motion of Mr. *Wolfe* the Rules were suspended and the petition of United Home Life Insurance Company was *Ordered* received.

Mr. *Wolfe* presented the petition of the City of Vancouver for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter*.

On the motion of Mr. *Wolfe* the Rules were suspended and the petition of the City of Vancouver was *Ordered* received.

Mr. *Wolfe* presented the petition of Frederick Christopher Pollard, Francis Dorland Trebell, Brian Dean Carr, Harry Mackenzie Boyce, Francis Peter Cundill, John Aston Kaye, Samuel Joseph Horton, Yorkshire Financial Corporation Limited, The Yorkshire & Canadian Trust, Limited, and Yorkshire Trust Company for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Yorkshire Trust Company*.

On the motion of Mr. *Wolfe* the Rules were suspended and the petition of Frederick Christopher Pollard, Francis Dorland Trebell, Brian Dean Carr, Harry Mackenzie Boyce, Francis Peter Cundill, John Aston Kaye, Samuel Joseph Horton, Yorkshire Financial Corporation Limited, The Yorkshire & Canadian Trust, Limited, and Yorkshire Trust Company was *Ordered* received.

Mr. *Bruch* presented the petition of the Planning Institute of British Columbia for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting the Planning Institute of British Columbia*.

On the motion of Mr. *Bruch* the Rules were suspended and the petition of the Planning Institute of British Columbia was *Ordered* received.

The House proceeded to the Order "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* moved, seconded by the Hon. *C. M. Shelford*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries to consider the reports prepared by the Forest Service pursuant to request of this Committee at the last Session on

- (1) slash-burning in the Interior under section 116 of the *Forest Act*;
- (2) fire-fighting wages;
- (3) slash disposal on the Coast;
- (4) damage to forest values by mining development;

and to review grazing administration within the Province to ensure that the practices being followed lead to the most efficient use of the land in the interest of the cattlemen and the general public.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Nimsick* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *King*,—

To amend the motion by deleting all the words after "cattlemen" in section (4) of the motion and insert "big game, recreation, and the general public." so that section (4) of the motion will now read:—

"(4) damage to forest values by mining development;
and to review grazing administration within the Province to ensure that the practices being followed lead to the most efficient use of the land in the interests of the cattlemen, big game, recreation, and the general public."

And further to add the following:—

- "(5) That the Committee consider the range of tenures, licences, and permits that have eliminated competition within the industry;
- "(6) That the Committee consider alternative regulations that would assure a greater degree of processing and employment within the Province;
- "(7) That the Committee consider alternative stumpage rates and equity within the range of stumpage and timber royalties;
- "(8) That the Committee consider substantial increases in the leasehold rate for holding tree-farm licences."

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order on the ground that an amendment of an instruction to a Committee required notice, and quoted May, 16th Edition, page 549, and Beauchesne at page 238.

Motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. M. Shelford*, seconded by the Hon. *Grace McCarthy*, it was *Ordered*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to study the following:—

- (1) What proportion of the retail value of food products goes to the producer;
- (2) Whether advances in technology are benefiting the primary producers and, if so, to what extent;
- (3) What steps can be taken to bring farmers' income more closely into line with average incomes in other sectors of the economy.

The Committee to hear presentations from the food and agricultural industry, organizations, and individuals, and report its findings to this House.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* moved, seconded by the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*,—

That a Special Committee be named, by those responsible for listing Select Standing Committees of this House, to study the Report of the Royal Commission on Automobile Insurance prepared by the Honourable Mr. Justice R. A. B. Wootton, P. A. Lusztig, and C. E. S. Walls, and to consider any legislation respecting automobile insurance and any other legislation affected thereby that may be referred by this House to the Special Committee and report their recommendations to this House.

This Special Committee, when named, shall have the power to send for persons, papers, and records, and hear such representations as may, in their discretion, appear pertinent to this study.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Hartley*,—

That the motion be amended by adding at the end of the first paragraph after the word "House." the words "not later than March 7, 1969."

A debate arose.

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

41 Mr. *Parkinson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following question:—

What was the total expenditure for (a) development and (b) maintenance in parks where an overnight camping fee was charged during the calendar year 1968?

The Hon. *W. K. Kiernan* replied as follows:—

"(a) \$1,097,196 (development) and (b) \$586,757 (maintenance)."

60 Mr. *King* asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:—

1. Are any new public picnic-sites planned for the Revelstoke-Slocan Electoral District?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what are the locations and (b) what are the anticipated completion dates?

The Hon. *W. K. Kiernan* replied as follows:—

"1. No.

"2. (a) and (b) Not applicable (see No. 1)."

94 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:—

With reference to park reserves which border the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway:—

1. Has the Government sold or leased any sections of them to individuals and (or) companies?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) to whom or to what companies were they sold or leased, (b) for what purposes were they sold or leased, (c) where and what park acreage was involved in each sale or lease, and (d) what was the total cost of each sale or lease?

The Hon. *W. K. Kiernan* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Reserves, sales, and leases are administered by the Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources.

“ 2. (a) and (b) *See* No. 1, (c) no park acreage bordering the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway has been sold or leased, and (d) *see* No. 1.”

104 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:—

With reference to Order in Council No. 1438 of 1958 relating to an access-road easement for the Corbett Lumber Company:—

1. Does Prettys' Limited still hold the right-of-way as referred to in the above Order in Council?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, who is the present holder of the forestry permit for this access road as defined under Part VI of the *Forest Act*?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. *See* answer to No. 1.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.39 p.m.

Friday, February 7, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Archbishop *Sexton*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, seconded by the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, it was *Ordered*,—

That the Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year 1967/68 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (Minister of Finance) presented the Report of the Comptroller-General pursuant to the provisions of the *Audit Act*, chapter 22, R.S.B.C. 1960.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith:—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1970;

Schedule A. Sums required by Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1968, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure; and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* moved, seconded by the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, “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. *Strachan*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act for the Appropriation of \$130,000,000 of Revenue Surplus*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 7) intituled *An Act for the Appropriation of \$130,000,000 of Revenue Surplus*, 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 after today.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-owner Grant Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 8) intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-owner Grant 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 after today.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-acquisition Grant Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 9) intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-acquisition Grant 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 after today.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Aid Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 10) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Aid 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 after today.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Provide Grants to Municipalities for Construction of Treatment Plants*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 11) intituled *An Act to Provide Grants to Municipalities for Construction of Treatment Plants*, 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 after today.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Taxation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 12) intituled *An Act to Amend the Taxation 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 after today.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Mining Tax Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 6, 1969.

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. 13) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mining Tax 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 after today.

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* (Minister of Commercial Transport) presented the Report of the Department of Commercial Transport for the year ended December 31, 1968.

1 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following question:—

With respect to the interest earned by Columbia River Treaty funds, what were the sources and the interest paid by each during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1968, and the nine months ended December 31, 1968?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“Interest earned by the Columbia River Treaty was as follows:—

	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1968	Nine Months Ended December 31, 1968
Income from investments—		
Province of Quebec.....	\$2,352,777	\$541,334
Kinross Mortgage Corporation.....	654,887	.....
Other short-term investments.....	668,560	707,450
	\$3,676,224	\$1,248,784
Interest on late payment of Duncan flood-control benefits .....	.....	\$212,541
Income from temporary advances to the Authority for general purposes	\$1,900,482	2,421,701
Interest charged to cost of constructing storage projects	11,207,254	8,597,736
Total	\$16,783,960	\$12,480,762 ”

2 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to Columbia River power development:—

1. What is the total amount expended to December 31, 1968?
2. Was this expenditure made direct from the moneys obtained from the United States of America under the Columbia River Treaty?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, was the expended money borrowed and, if so, where from and at what rate of interest?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, where was the expended money obtained?
5. What is the estimated expenditure for the year 1969?
6. What are the latest estimates as to the total capital cost of (a) Duncan storage, (b) Arrow storage, (c) Mica storage, (d) Mica at-site generation, and (e) general costs?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“1. \$326,502,948 for treaty storage projects, including interest during construction and overhead costs.

“2. Yes.

“3 and 4. Not applicable.

“5 and 6. Not finalized.”

3 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to natural-gas sales by British Columbia Hydro:—

1. Was a net profit made on the sale of gas during the last reported financial year?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the amount of that profit?

3. Was a net loss made on the sale of gas during the last reported financial year?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the amount of the loss?
5. What was the total cost of gas purchased during the last reported financial year?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. \$6,337,848.
- “ 3. No.
- “ 4. Not applicable.
- “ 5. \$18,199,590.”

- 4 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

In each school district in the Province which has rural components, what were the total sums collectable under the *Public Schools Act* in each rural component for the school budget year of 1968?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“Unorganized rural component of school districts and 1968 school requisitions: No. 1, Fernie, \$306,106; No. 2, Cranbrook, \$271,893; No. 3, Kimberley, \$794,222; No. 4, Windermere, \$296,799; No. 7, Nelson, \$652,389; No. 8, Slocan, \$224,148; No. 9, Castlegar, \$399,570; No. 10, Arrow Lakes, \$186,857; No. 11, Trail, \$670,494; No. 12, Grand Forks, \$213,827; No. 13, Kettle Valley, \$101,921; No. 14, Southern Okanagan, \$382,453; No. 15, Penticton, \$195,495; No. 16, Keremeos, \$122,266; No. 17, Princeton, \$109,860; No. 18, Golden, \$139,894; No. 19, Revelstoke, \$218,522; No. 21, Armstrong-Spallumcheen, \$8; No. 22, Vernon, \$400,625; No. 23, Kelowna, \$1,169,157; No. 24, Kamloops, \$1,942,931; No. 25, Barriere, \$169,302; No. 26, Birch Island, \$372,619; No. 27, Williams Lake, \$1,005,170; No. 28, Quesnel, \$695,020; No. 29, Lillooet, \$822,676; No. 30, South Cariboo, \$439,501; No. 31, Merritt, \$372,403; No. 32, Fraser Canyon, \$342,003; No. 33, Chilliwack, \$194,127; No. 34, Abbotsford, \$12,843; No. 36, Surrey, \$9,223; No. 42, Maple Ridge, \$26,680; No. 43, Coquitlam, \$1,457,889; No. 44, North Vancouver, \$8,281; No. 45, West Vancouver, \$59,550; No. 46, Sechelt, \$1,441,929; No. 47, Powell River, \$503,358; No. 48, Howe Sound, \$682,182; No. 49, Ocean Falls, \$742,792; No. 50, Queen Charlotte, \$392,860; No. 52, Prince Rupert, \$173,466; No. 54, Smithers, \$98,619; No. 55, Burns Lake, \$334,341; No. 56, Vanderhoof, \$641,512; No. 57, Prince George, \$3,403,074; No. 58, McBride, \$273,612; No. 59, Peace River South, \$847,919; No. 60, Peace River North, \$1,623,960; No. 61, Greater Victoria, \$192,658; No. 62, Sooke, \$1,294,208; No. 63, Saanich, \$40,779; No. 64, Gulf Islands, \$551,986; No. 65, Cowichan, \$759,705; No. 66, Lake Cowichan, \$917,481; No. 67, Ladysmith, \$267,780; No. 68, Nanaimo, \$2,556,902; No. 69, Qualicum, \$470,149; No. 70, Alberni, \$799,481; No. 71, Courtenay, \$1,118,877; No. 72, Campbell River, \$880,786; No. 75, Mission, \$155,407; No. 76, Agassiz, \$94,596; No. 77, Summerland, \$18,632; No. 79, Ucluelet-Tofino, \$181,458; No. 80, Kitimat, \$79,309; No. 81, Fort Nelson, \$403,241; No. 82, Chilcotin, \$42,948; No. 83, Portage Mountain, \$28,592; No. 84, Vancouver Island West, \$182,186; No. 85, Vancouver Island North, \$430,354; No. 86, Creston-Kaslo, \$480,224; No. 87, Stikine, \$155,233; No. 88, Skeena-Cassiar, \$575,044; No. 89, Shuswap, \$522,401.

“Unattached: Bamfield, \$9,966; Belmont Park, \$84; Comox Airport, \$374; University Hill, \$305,787; total, \$39,462,976.”

5 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Were any bond issues authorized by the Government in 1968 for school construction and, if so, in what total amount?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total amount of those bonds floated, (b) when were they issued, (c) what was the amount of each issue, and (d) what was the interest rate of each issue?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Total school bonds authorized since January 1, 1968, \$41,418,000.

“ 2. (a) Total school bonds issued since January 1, 1968, \$41,418,000; (b) (c), and (d), January 15, 1968, \$10,000,000, 6 $\frac{7}{8}$ per cent; May 1, 1968, \$5,000,000, 6.61 per cent; August 5, 1968, \$5,271,000, 6.66 per cent; October 1, 1968, \$10,112,000, 6.40 per cent; December 15, 1968, \$7,000,000, 7 per cent; January 2, 1969, \$4,035,000, 6.92 per cent.”

8 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Did the Department of Finance place any advertisements in the current fiscal year in British Columbia newspapers regarding the annual financing of the public-school system of the Province?

2. If the answer is yes, in what newspapers were the advertisements placed and what was the cost of each advertisement?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Abbotsford News, \$220, Agassiz Advance, \$120, Aldergrove Star, \$160, Armstrong Advertiser, \$120, Ashcroft Journal, \$120, Burnaby Examiner, \$420, Burns Lake District News, \$120, Campbell River Courier, \$160, Campbell River Upper Islander, \$160, Castlegar News, \$140, Chase Shuswap Weekly, \$120, Chilliwack Progress, \$120, Cloverdale Leader, \$240, Colwood News Review, \$180, Clearwater Thompson Times, \$120, Courtenay Comox Free Press, \$240, Cranbrook Courier, \$200, Cranbrook Townsman, \$140, Creston Review, \$140, Creston Valley Advance, \$140, Dawson Creek P. R. B. News, \$200, Duncan Cowichan Leader, \$220, Duncan Cowichan Pictorial, \$300, Enderby Commoner, \$120, Victoria Esquimalt Sentinel, \$70, Fernie Free Press, \$200, Fort Nelson News, \$100, Fort St. John News, \$210, Ganges Driftwood, \$140, Gibsons Coast News, \$140, Golden Star, \$100, Grand Forks Gazette, \$160, Haney Gazette, \$200, 100 Mile House Clinton Pioneer, \$120, Hope Standard, \$160, 100 Mile Free Press, \$160, Invermere Windermere Valley Echo, \$140, Kamloops Advertiser, \$220, Kaslo Kootenaiian, \$100, Kelowna Capital News, \$200, Kitimat Sentinel, \$220, Ladner Optimist, \$90, Lake Cowichan News, \$70, Ladysmith Chronicle, \$160, Langley Advance, \$200, West Vancouver Lions Gate Times, \$360, Merritt Herald, \$180, Merritt Merrittonian, \$120, Mission City F. V. Record, \$200, Nakusp Arrow Lakes News, \$120, Nanaimo Times, \$300, Nelson Advertiser, \$70, North Vancouver Citizen, \$500, Oliver Chronicle, \$80, Oak Bay Leader, \$70, Parksville Progress, \$140, Penticton West Advertiser, \$120, Port Alberni Valley Times, \$240, Port Coquitlam Herald, \$200, Port Hardy North Island Gazette, \$120, Powell River News, \$240, Powell River Town Crier, \$120, Prince George Progress, \$220, Princeton Spotlight, \$160, Quesnel Cariboo Observer, \$200, Quesnel News, \$160, Revelstoke Review, \$160, Richmond Review, \$400, Rossland Miner, \$140, Saanich Dogwood Star, \$80, Salmon Arm Observer, \$180, Sechelt Peninsula Times, \$180, Sidney Saanich Review, \$180, Smithers Interior News, \$180, Sooke Mirror, \$140, Squamish Times,

\$240, Squamish Citizen, \$200, Summerland Review, \$160, Surrey Herald, \$160, Terrace Omineca Herald, \$180, Ucluelet Tofino Press, \$100, Vanderhoof Nechako Chronicle, \$140, Vernon News, \$240, White Rocksun, \$200, Williams Lake News, \$160, Williams Lake Tribune, \$200, Kamloops Sentinel, \$388.96, Kelowna Courier, \$359.04, Kimberley Bulletin, \$70, Nanaimo Free Press, \$388.96, Nelson News, \$329.12, New Westminster Columbian, \$688.16, Penticton Herald, \$359.04, Prince George Citizen, \$478.72, Prince Rupert News, \$359.04, Trail Times, \$299.20, Vancouver Sun and Province, \$4,188.80, Victoria Colonist and Times, \$1,047.20, Clearwater Valemont Times, \$120, Chilliwack Progress, \$120, Victoria Esquimalt Sentinel, \$70, Fort Nelson News, \$100, Ladner Optimist, \$90, Lake Cowichan News, \$70, Lumby Logger, \$160, New Westminster Royal City Record, \$176.40, North Surrey News, \$156.80, Oliver Chronicle, \$80, Oak Bay Leader, \$70, Osoyoos Times, \$160, Penticton West Advertiser, \$120, Powell River Town Crier, \$120, Saanich Dogwood Star, \$80, Kimberley Bulletin, \$70, Nelson Advertiser, \$58.80.”

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

What was the total amount received by British Columbia from the Federal Government under the Canada Assistance Plan in 1966/67, 1967/68, and for the first nine months in 1968/69?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“1966/67, \$22,719,998.74; 1967/68, \$32,529,789.95 (including \$5,974,-832.45 with respect to the 1966/67 fiscal year); and 1968/69 (April 1 to December 31, 1968), \$23,554,253.50 (including \$701,156.25 with respect to the 1966/67 fiscal year).”

25 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following question:—

With reference to the payments made by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, what specific services were received by British Columbia Hydro for the following payments made in the fiscal year 1967/68 (British Columbia Hydro financial statements, 1967/68): Cockfield Brown & Co. Ltd., \$363,305.62; James Lovick & Co. Ltd., \$93,971.65; Lew Parry Film Productions, \$41,235.44; Parry Agencies Ltd., \$26,380.02; and McLaren and Associates, \$11,327.51?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“Cockfield Brown & Co. Ltd.—

Advertisements in various media—

Electric service advertising.....	\$251,048.08
Gas service advertising.....	64,282.46
Advertising for specialist staff not available locally.....	31,458.92
Information advertising, e.g., rate adjustments, special events, etc.	6,587.76
Invitations to tender advertising.....	6,423.69
Announcements regarding planned power outages, etc.....	1,987.10
Peace River project announcements regarding water level, etc.	981.30
Miscellaneous advertising	536.31

\$363,305.62

James Lovick & Co. Ltd.—

Series AN Parity Development Bond advertising and expense.....	\$72,881.43
Transit advertising—	
Pacific Stage Lines in co-operation with British Columbia Ferry Authority and Vancouver Island Coach Lines, special tours, and urban transportation advertisements.....	12,683.60
Advertising and printing to promote industrial development adjacent to the Authority's railway lines.....	8,406.62
	<u>\$93,971.65</u>

Lew Parry Film Productions—

Filming construction on Columbia River Treaty projects and the Peace River project, including a film entitled 'Canyon of Destiny'	\$39,443.68
Miscellaneous, e.g., photos and engraving, photographic materials, and visual aids.....	1,791.76
	<u>\$41,235.44</u>

Parry Agencies Ltd.—

Purchase of property.....	\$26,125.02
Appraisal fee and land registry fee.....	255.00
	<u>\$26,380.02</u>

McLaren and Associates—

Legal surveys of right-of-way for distribution and transmission lines	\$11,327.51”
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26 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the payment of \$274,800,000 received October 1, 1964, under the Columbia River Treaty:—

1. Was any of this money expended to December 31, 1968?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the details of these expenditures?
3. Was any interest earned by all or part of the \$274,800,000 to December 31, 1968?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what is the total amount of interest earned?
5. What is the total amount unexpended, including any interest, to December 31, 1968?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“(NOTE.—Amount received on September 16, 1964, was \$273,291,661 in Canadian funds, plus \$67,879,791 in interest, total, \$341,171,452).”

“1. Yes.

“2. Duncan storage, \$31,347,087; Arrow storage, \$178,676,183; Mica storage, \$114,366,085; general development costs, \$2,113,593; total (including interest during construction and overhead), \$326,502,948.

“3. Yes.

“4. \$67,879,791 (including interest on flood-control benefits and interest on additional downstream power benefits received subsequent to September 16, 1964).

“5. \$88,464,256 (including flood-control benefits and additional downstream power benefits received subsequent to September 16, 1964).

“(NOTE.—The above figures do not include the large additional benefits that British Columbia will receive from the last 30 years of the Columbia Treaty with the United States).”

27 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the Peace River power project:—

1. What is the total amount spent to date on the project?
2. What is the total amount spent to date on the Portage Mountain dam?
3. What is the total amount spent to date on transmission-lines?
4. What is the latest estimated cost of the first stage of this project?
5. What is the latest estimated cost per mill of the first power to be delivered to the Lower Mainland?
6. What is the latest estimated cost of the whole project?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. To December 31, 1968, \$518,691,382.
- “ 2. To December 31, 1968, \$104,535,179.
- “ 3. To December 31, 1968, \$121,014,462.
- “ 4. Not finalized.
- “ 5. The British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority advise the original Energy Board estimate of July 31, 1961, of the average cost over the years 1969 to 1985 is still currently estimated to be 4.4 mills.
- “ 6. Not finalized.”

28 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority urban transportation:—

1. What was the total expenditure for the year ended March 31, 1968?
2. What was the total revenue and total expenditure from March 31, 1968, to the latest available date?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Operating expenses, \$17,132,949, and plant expenditures, \$2,396,514.
- “ 2. From April 1, 1968, to December 31, 1968: Revenues, \$11,263,000; Provincial Government subsidy for bus services in the metropolitan areas, \$750,000; operating expenses, \$13,946,431; and plant expenditures, \$87,998.”

29 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Were any printed copies of the Budget Speech for 1968 distributed to other than elected members?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many were so distributed and (b) what was the total cost to the Government of the copies so distributed?
3. Did any source, other than the Government, pay for the printing and (or) distribution of the copies referred to in No. 2?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) who were the organizations and (or) persons concerned and (b) what was the total cost to them of printing and (or) distribution?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) 66,000 and (b) \$18,942.
- “ 3. No.
- “ 4. Not applicable.”

56 Mr. King asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

Regarding the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's Columbia River project:—

1. Was any compensation paid to the Canadian Pacific Railway for the expected flooding of the Arrow Lakes subdivision branch line?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the amount of compensation, (b) was this compensation made by agreement or by expropriation proceedings, (c) was this the initial amount of compensation requested by the Canadian Pacific Railway, and (d) were any surveys made by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority to determine the number of shippers and volume of traffic on the Arrow Lakes subdivision?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) \$750,000, (b) by agreement, (c) no, and (d) yes.”

57 Mr. King asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to Red Star Petroleum Company:—

1. What is the current price per gallon paid by Red Star for gasoline?

2. What is the current price per gallon received by Red Star in gasoline sales?

3. What was the total revenue and total expenditure in 1967/68?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) Portage Mountain project, 17.96 cents; (b) Arrow project, 20.7 cents; (c) Mica project, 21.02 cents; (d) passenger transportation system, special blend gasoline (average price, prices differ depending upon location), 14.7 cents. The above prices include Federal sales tax but do not include Provincial road tax of 13 cents or 1 cent per gallon as appropriate.

“ 2. Gasoline is charged to the contractors on the Portage Mountain project and Columbia River projects as follows: Portage Mountain project, 23.97 cents per gallon; Arrow project, 25 cents per gallon; Mica project, 25.02 cents per gallon. These charges are not treated as revenue of Red Star Petroleum as the spread between Red Star's cost price and billing price to the contractors is credited to the cost of the respective projects. In the case of the passenger transportation system, that service is charged with gasoline at Red Star's cost. Red Star leases two service-stations to outside parties, receiving a commission on the gasoline sold by these two stations.

“ 3. Fiscal year ended March 31, 1968, revenue, \$27,798; expense (repairs to property, taxes, provision for depreciation, etc.), \$7,302.”

58 Mr. King asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

Regarding Red Star Petroleum Company:—

1. What is the current price per gallon paid by Red Star Petroleum Company for gasoline and diesel oil at the (a) Arrow hydro project, (b) Portage Mountain project, (c) Mica project, and (d) passenger transportation system?

2. What is the current price per gallon received by Red Star in gasoline and diesel sales from each of the above projects?

3. What was the total sales in both volume and value for (a) gasoline, (b) diesel, and (c) other petroleum products for each of the above projects for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1968?

4. Was there a surplus from the sales for each of the above projects for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1968?

5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, does the surplus from the sales of these products remain with Red Star Petroleum Company?

6. If the answer to No. 4 is no, is British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority the recipient of this surplus?

7. If the answer to No. 6 is yes, what is the total surplus which has accrued to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority to March 31, 1968, from (a) Arrow Dam, (b) W. A. C. Bennett Dam, (c) Duncan Dam, and (d) Mica Dam?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

" 1. Red Star Petroleum presently pays the following prices per gallon for gasoline and diesel oil: (a) Arrow project, 20.7 cents for gasoline, 18.2 cents for diesel oil; (b) Portage Mountain project, 17.96 cents for gasoline, 17.19 cents for diesel oil; (c) Mica project, 21.02 cents for gasoline, 18.32 cents for diesel oil; and (d) passenger transportation system (average prices, prices differ depending upon location), 14.7 cents for gasoline, 14.7 cents for diesel oil. The above prices include Federal sales tax but do not include Provincial tax of 15 cents, 13 cents, or 1 cent per gallon as appropriate.

" 2. The prices per gallon currently charged to the contractors on the Portage Mountain project and Columbia River project are as follows: Portage Mountain project, 23.97 cents for gasoline, 23.07 cents for diesel oil; Arrow project, 25 cents for gasoline, 22 cents for diesel oil; Mica project, 25.02 cents for gasoline, 21.32 cents for diesel oil. The above prices do not include Provincial tax. Charges for gasoline and diesel oil to contractors on the above projects are not treated as revenue of Red Star Petroleum; the spread between Red Star's cost price and billing price to the contractor is credited to the cost of the respective projects.

" 3.

Project	Gasoline		Diesel Oil		Other Petroleum Products
	Gallons	Value	Gallons	Value	
Arrow	209,827	\$52,457	1,668,482	\$367,066	127,263
Portage Mountain	703,014	168,513	2,455,113	566,395	317,797
Mica	146,422	36,637	373,644	79,663	33,320

" 4. No, *see* No. 2.

" 5. Not applicable.

" 6. There is no surplus from sales of these products to the projects (*see* No. 2 for explanation).

" 7. Not applicable."

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

With respect to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's Mica townsite:—

1. Are trailer spaces maintained at Mica townsite for rental to employees of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority and Columbia Hydro constructors?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many trailer spaces were provided, (b) how many are presently occupied, and (c) are all present occupants employees of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority and Columbia Hydro constructors?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 196, (b) 120, and (c) no.”

75 Mr. *King* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

With regard to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority's Columbia River project:—

1. Is the land on which the new clubhouse for the Fauquier golf course located below the safe line for the proposed reservoir?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what precautions are planned to prevent danger of slippage and (b) why is this land felt to be safe for public occupancy and not for private occupancy?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. No.

“ 2. Not applicable.”

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

1. Were any orders for maintenance made under the *Parents' Maintenance Act* in 1968?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many of the orders were made as a result of proceedings by (a) the parents, (b) a municipality, and (c) the Attorney-General?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ Orders for maintenance are not centrally recorded and can only be found by directing inquiries to the 216 Family and Children's Court Judges throughout the Province.”

86 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Is Peace River power presently being delivered to the Lower Mainland area?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the mill cost per kilowatt-hour delivered to the Lower Mainland?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. See answer to part 5, Question No. 27.”

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

With reference to the *Privacy Act*:—

1. Since the coming into force of the *Privacy Act* have any actions been brought in the Courts of the Province founded on a right of action for a violation of privacy or the unauthorized use of the name or portrait of another?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many such actions were brought and what was the result in each case?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ 1 and 2. Such Court actions are not centrally recorded and can only be found by searching all files opened, during the period of time in question, in each of the 40 Court Registries throughout the Province.”

Moved by Mr. Macdonald, seconded by Mr. Dowding,—

That, pursuant to Standing Order 8, Messrs. Bennett, Peterson, Strachan, and McGeer be granted leave of absence by this House in order to attend the Federal-Provincial Constitutional Conference, to be held in Ottawa on February 10th, 11th, and 12th.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that the requisite notice under Standing Order 48 had not been given.

Mr. Macdonald asked leave to move the said motion without notice.

Leave was not granted.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.34 p.m.

Monday, February 10, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. E. B. Seymour.

On the motion of Mr. Hartley, Bill (No. 19) intituled *An Act to Empower the Government of British Columbia to Engage in the Business of Automobile Accident Insurance* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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. D. L. Brothers, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

106 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to the mineral explorations in Northern British Columbia:—

1. Were any mining companies engaged in mineral exploration in the Atlin, Liard (west of 128° longitude), Skeena (north of Port Simpson), and Omineca (west of 128° longitude) Mining Divisions in 1968/69?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what are the names of the mining companies, (b) where is the mineral exploration located, and (c) what mineral is explored?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Information available to the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources indicates that the following mining companies were actively engaged in mineral exploration in Northern British Columbia:—

Company	Location	Metals
<i>Atlin Mining Division</i>		
Atlas Explorations Ltd.	Taku Arm	Copper
Interprovincial Silver Mines Ltd.	Fourth of July Creek	Silver, lead, zinc
Adanac Mining & Exploration Ltd.	Ruby Creek	Molybdenum
<i>Liard Mining Division (West of 128° Longitude)</i>		
Union Miniere Explorations & Mining Corp. Ltd.	40 miles north-east of Telegraph Creek	Copper
Union Miniere Explorations & Mining Corp. Ltd.	20 miles north-west of Cry Lake	Copper
United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Co.	20 miles south of Dease Lake	Copper
United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Co.	25 miles south-west of Dease Lake	Copper, molybdenum
Nickel Mountain Mines Ltd.	Snippaker Creek	Nickel, copper
Silverknife Mines Ltd.	Tootsee River	Silver, lead
Deas Lake Mines Ltd.	16 miles south of Dease Lake	Copper
Value Line Minerals Ltd.	6 miles south-west of Cassiar	Molybdenum, copper
New Jersey Zinc Explorations Ltd.	4 miles south-east of Cassiar	Molybdenum
Chapparral Mines Ltd.	1 mile south-west of Cassiar	Gold, silver, zinc, molybdenum
Univex Mining Corp. Ltd.	Head of Blue River	Nickel
Falconbridge Nickel Mines Ltd.	Turnagain River	Copper, nickel
Liard Copper Mines Ltd.	Schaft Creek	Copper, molybdenum
Emperor Mines Ltd.	Mile 707, Alaska Highway	Gold, silver, lead, zinc
Cominco Ltd.	Iskut River	Copper, silver, gold
Spartan Explorations Ltd.	Barrington River	Molybdenum
Sparton Explorations Ltd.	Jennings Lake	Tungsten
Coast Silver Mines Ltd.	Chutine Lake	Copper
Gunnex Limited	Spatsizi Plateau	Uranium
Rip Van Mining Ltd.	Turnagain River	
Turnagain Mining Explorations Ltd.	Atan Lake	Silver, lead, zinc, copper
Bartle Explorations Ltd.	Haskins Mountain	Lead, zinc
<i>Skeena Mining Division (North of Latitude 54° 30')</i>		
Mayfair Moly Mines Ltd.	McGrath Mountain	Copper, molybdenum
Dolly Varden Mines Ltd.	20 miles north of Alice Arm	Silver, lead, zinc
Ponder Oils Ltd.	13 miles east of Alice Arm	Silver, lead, zinc, copper
Alvija Mines Ltd.	22 miles east of Terrace	Copper, silver
Granduc Mines Ltd.	25 miles north-west of Stewart	Copper
Arcadia Explorations Ltd.	Anyox	Copper
Granduc Mines Ltd.	Sulphurets Creek	Copper, molybdenum
Granduc Mines Ltd.	Glacier Creek	Silver, lead, zinc
United Asbestos Corp. Ltd.	Stewart	Copper, silver
Noradco Mines Ltd.	Surprise Creek	Silver
Amax Exploration, Inc.	Mount Vanarsdoll	Molybdenum
<i>Omineca Mining Division (West of 128° Longitude)</i>		
Utah Construction & Mining Co.	32 miles north of Smithers	Silver, lead, zinc
Magnetron Mining & Investment Corp. Ltd.	44 miles north-east of Terrace	Silver, lead, zinc, copper

108 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to the Groundhog coalfields:—

1. Were any coal-mining companies and their subsidiary companies engaged in coal exploration in 1968/69?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the coal-mining companies and their subsidiary companies?
3. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, have any companies discovered coking-coal?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. Coastal Coal Limited.
- “ 3. No.”

Pursuant to Order, the Hon. *W. N. Chant* (on behalf of the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*) presented the following report:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 7, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

In accordance with the Resolution that a Special Committee be named, by those responsible for listing Select Standing Committees of this House, to study the Report of the Royal Commission on Automobile Insurance prepared by the Honourable Mr. Justice R. A. B. Wootton, P. A. Lusztig, and C. E. S. Walls, and to consider any legislation respecting automobile insurance and any other legislation affected thereby that may be referred by this House to the Special Committee and report their recommendations to this House not later than March 7, 1969, your Special Committee appointed on January 23rd to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report and recommend that the personnel of that Special Committee of the House for the present Session be as follows:—

Messrs. *Capozzi* (Convener), *Bonner*, *Chabot*, *Wenman*, *McDiarmid*, the Hon. *Isabel Dawson*, the Hon. *Grace McCarthy*, Messrs. *Hartley*, *Macdonald*, *Stupich*, and *Gardom*.

Respectfully submitted.

L. R. PETERSON, *Chairman*.

The report was taken as read and received, and by leave of the House the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

And then the House adjourned at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, February 11, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. G. MacLeod*.

On the motion of Mr. *Hartley*, Bill (No. 20) intituled *An Act Respecting Land Conservation and Reclamation* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, Bill (No. 21) intituled *An Act to Amend the Infants Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*, Bill (No. 18) intituled *An Act to Amend the Fish Inspection Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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. *W. N. Chant*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

36 Mr. *Parkinson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With respect to Medical Health Officers employed by the Health Branch:—

1. What was the total number of established positions as of December 31, 1968?
2. Were any of the positions vacant?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, where are these vacancies located?
4. Were any resignations received from Medical Health Officers during the year ended December 31, 1968?
5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, (a) how many and (b) what reasons were given for such resignations?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:—

- "1. 21 (18 directors and three assistants).
- "2. Yes.
- "3. Directors in Prince Rupert, Dawson Creek, Prince George, and Saanich. Assistant directors in Cloverdale and Nanaimo.
- "4. Yes.
- "5. (a) Two and (b) for health reasons, 1; to accept a position with the Government of Canada, Department of National Health and Welfare, 1."

39 Mr. *Parkinson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With respect to the Health Branch activities in the field of pesticide-residue study:—

1. Have the previous research studies been continued or replaced?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what staff is employed, (b) what funds were expended during the year ended December 31, 1968, and (c) is a report or interim report available to the members of this House?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes, studies have been concluded or commenced as follows: Two studies to determine the levels of pesticide residue in human fat and mother milk in the vicinity of the Grand Forks area and in the Okanagan Valley were concluded in 1968, and the significance of the results is now being evaluated; one component of a continuing study started in 1968, 'The Okanagan Lakes Water Quality Study,' involving the analyses of lake waters and certain other water sources for pesticide residue.

“2. (a) These three studies were carried out by Health Branch field and consultant staff, no additional staff were employed, the analysis of the samples taken was done by the Pesticide Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture; (b) no funds other than those voted for the normal operation of the Health Branch were expended on these studies during 1968; and (c) no, because of the complexity of the analysis required, a report is not yet available.”

84 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

1. Does British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service now provide extended-care hospital accommodation?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many publicly operated hospitals in the Province provide these services and (b) what is the total number of publicly operated extended-care hospital beds now available for use under British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:—

“1. The British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service makes payments to certain hospitals on behalf of qualified persons who are rendered extended hospital care benefits in accommodation provided by the said hospitals.

“2. (a) 22 hospitals and (b) 1,528 beds.”

85 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:—

1. Since the amendment of the *Pollution Control Act, 1967*, in 1968, has the Pollution Control Board cancelled or held back any pollution permits?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the number of permits (a) cancelled and (b) withheld temporarily, and in each case what are the names of the applicants for permit?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

“1. During the calendar year 1968, the Pollution Control Branch, which administers the *Pollution Control Act, 1967*, with amendments, received 103 applications, of which 45 were approved and permits issued, five were rejected as not controlling pollution, while 53 applications were in various stages of processing or amendment to conform with the intent of the Act, and as of February 5, 1969, eight of these had reached the point of a permit being issued.

“2. The names of the applicants for permits which were rejected are as follows: Corporation of the Village of Hazelton, D. A. K. Fulks, Nita Lake Syndicate, William Vanderpol, and Alouette Hospital.”

91 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:—

With reference to lands which border the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway:—

1. Has the Government sold or leased any sections of them to individuals and (or) companies?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) to whom or to what companies were they sold or leased, (b) for what purposes were they sold or leased, (c) where and what land acreage was involved in each sale or lease, and (d) what was the total cost of each sale or lease?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, February 12, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Father *T. M. MacDonald*.

On the motion of Mr. *Hall*, Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Amend the Parliamentary Association Conferences Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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. *F. X. Richter*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

66 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With reference to boards of review under the social assistance regulations:—

1. How many applications were received for boards (a) in each month of 1968 and (b) for the complete calendar year of 1968?
2. How many boards were set up in 1968?
3. How many cases were resolved in the applicant's favour during 1968?
4. From what areas of the Province were the applications received and how many cases were resolved in the applicant's favour in each area?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

"1. (a) January, *nil*; February, *nil*; March, 2; April, 3; May, 2; June, 2; July, 3; August, 2; September, 4; October, *nil*; November, 4; December, 2; and (b) 24.

"2. 24.

"3. 12.

"4. Areas of the Province from which applications were received are as follows:—

	No. of Cases	No. of Cases Resolved in the Applicant's Favour
Campbell River.....	1	—
Chilliwack.....	2	—
Coquitlam.....	2	—
100 Mile House.....	1	1
Langley.....	1	1
North Surrey.....	1	—
North Vancouver.....	1	1
Port Coquitlam.....	1	—
Quesnel.....	2	1
Vancouver City.....	7	6
Victoria City.....	4	1
Williams Lake.....	1	1 "

69 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With reference to recipients of Old-age Assistance, Old Age Security, and Supplementary Social Allowance:—

1. Are there any recipients of Old-age Assistance who are not in receipt of Supplementary Social Allowance?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, do any of these recipients hold valid health services identity cards and, if so, how many?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes, 17."

70 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. Did any unemployed employables receive social assistance in any social welfare region in the Province in 1968?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the total number of recipients in all or any regions of the Province in 1968?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Region No. 1, 3,031; Region No. 2, 11,079; Region No. 3, 4,224; Region No. 4, 1,910; Region No. 5, 3,817; Region No. 6, 3,508; Region No. 7, 1,798; Region No. 8, 1,106; total, 1968, 30,473."

71 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With reference to medical coverage for social assistance recipients, including those pensioners receiving Supplementary Social Allowance, as at December 31, 1968, or the latest date available:—

1. Does the Social Welfare Department pay premiums to the British Columbia Medical Plan for coverage of any of these recipients?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, does the Department pay the usual rate for each recipient based on what that person would pay as an ordinary member of the British Columbia Medical Plan?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is no, what specific rates are paid by the Social Welfare Department?

4. What is the total amount paid by the Social Welfare Department to the British Columbia Medical Plan since July 1, 1968?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Yes.

“ 3. Not applicable.

“ 4. \$240,796 to December 31, 1968.”

73 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With respect to payments of supplementary social assistance:—

1. How many persons are in receipt of this allowance?

2. How many persons receive the maximum allowance of \$30, and how many receive allowances of \$1 to \$10, of \$11 to \$20, of \$21 to \$25, and of \$26 to \$30?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 14,283.

“ 2. 4,638 receive the maximum, 4,176 receive \$1 to \$10, 3,942 receive \$11 to \$20, 975 receive \$21 to \$25, 552 receive \$26 to \$29, 4,638 receive \$30, total, 14,283.”

74 Mr. *Levi* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following question:—

With respect to grants of social assistance made between April 1, 1968, and December 31, 1968, what was the case load and total number of recipients on a monthly basis?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

“ Social assistance from April 1, 1968, to December 31, 1968:—

	Social Allowance Case Load	Total Number of Recipients of Social Allowance
April.....	39,221	89,214
May.....	38,645	87,363
June.....	38,331	86,037
July.....	38,411	85,278
August.....	38,231	84,574
September.....	37,719	84,611
October.....	37,694	83,406
November.....	*	*
December.....	*	*

“ * Information not yet available.”

77 Mr. *L. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to the Second Narrows Bridge at Vancouver Harbour and the surface reconstruction project undertaken thereon during the summer of 1968:—

1. What was the total cost of the project?

2. What sums were expended for (a) materials, (b) labour, and (c) equipment?

3. What contracts were let for the supply of (a) materials, (b) workmen, and (c) equipment?

The Hon. *W. D. Black* replied as follows:—

“ 1. \$284,646.99.

“ 2. (a) \$87,080.57, (b) \$87,532.10, and (c) \$110,034.32.

“ 3. (a) A.I.M. Steel Ltd., \$2,132.55; Acetogen Welding Supplies Ltd., \$343.16; Ammo Power Tools, \$1,885.12; Bonar & Bemis Ltd., \$359.10; Boyles Bros. Ltd., \$357; Bretell Electric, \$311.05; Canadian General Electric, \$350.95; False Creek Industries Ltd., \$66.92; Fleck Bros. Ltd., \$580.05; Gardner Denver Co. Ltd., \$897.36; LaFarge Cement Ltd., \$59,298.60; Northwest Sack Co. Ltd., \$831.60; Northern Electric Ltd., \$163.17; Ocean Cement Ltd., \$1,067.33; Reliance Lumber Co. Ltd., \$283.71; Seaford Sales Ltd., \$163.01; Shanahan's Ltd., \$1,489.78; Standard Oil Ltd., \$251.66; S. Tennant Co. Ltd., \$3,965.08; Paine Hardware, \$143.55; Target Cement Ltd., \$5,205.11; Western Reinforcing Ltd., \$353.38; miscellaneous purchase orders, \$6,581.33; total, \$87,080.57; (b) R. S. Reynolds Concrete Ltd., \$11,253.94; and (c) J. T. Devlin & Co. Ltd. (sandblasting), \$13,280.89; Winvan Gravel & Supply Ltd. (paving), \$2,447.20; Canadian Cutting & Coring Ltd. (bump cutting and grooving), \$20,697.44; Holsapple Mud-Jacking Co. (scarifying), \$47,650.72; total, \$84,076.25; miscellaneous tools and equipment, Ammo Power Tools, \$530.94; Arrow Transfer, \$2,417.75; Barry Hamel Equipment, \$394.80; B.C.R. Rentals, \$325.50; Cypress Equipment, \$2,243.41; Harris Trucking, \$115; Jamieson Construction, \$4,925.75; Morriss Bros. Trucking, \$9,438.25; F. W. Sheppard & Sons, \$3,680; Winvan Gravel & Supply, \$1,585.50; miscellaneous, \$301.17; total, \$110,034.32.”

80 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

Regarding the Department of Social Welfare, Surrey:—

1. During the year 1968 did any of the employees leave the service in (a) field staff and (b) office staff?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many and (b) for what reasons?

3. Have they been replaced?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) and (b) Yes.

“ 2. (a) Six and (b) for personal reasons, 1; for marriage, 2; temporarily employed until a permanent replacement made, 1; for promotional transfers to other departments, 2.”

81 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following question:—

Regarding the Department of Social Welfare, Surrey, as of December, 1968, what was the total number of recipients of Supplementary Social Allowances—

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:—

“ 547.”

93 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following question:—

With reference to the Alice Arm-British Columbia Molybdenum Company townsite, is it the intention of the Government to consider the advisability of constructing a harbour road in order to connect the two townsites for the purposes of providing access to the school at British Columbia Molybdenum Company townsite, and providing access for molybdenum ore exports to the Government wharf at Alice Arm?

The Hon. *W. D. Black* replied as follows:—

“ This proposal is being investigated.”

103 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:—

1. Is the drilling of oil by modern floating oil rigs being undertaken off the west coast of Vancouver Island ?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what steps are being considered or undertaken to prevent our beaches, sea life, and bird life from oil and other forms of pollution?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

“ To be answered by the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources.”

109 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

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The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes, one floating drilling vessel is operating.

“ 2. The *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act* grants the Lieutenant-Governor in Council authority to make regulations or special orders governing the drilling of wells and the production and conservation of petroleum and natural gas including the prescription of (a) the conditions under which drilling operations may be carried out in water-covered areas, and any special measures to be taken in such operations; (b) the minimum standards of tools, casing, equipment, and materials that may be used for drilling, development, and production of petroleum or natural gas; (c) adequate casing and the proper anchorage and cementation thereof; (d) the measures to be taken before the commencement of drilling and during drilling and production to conserve any petroleum, natural gas, or water likely to be encountered; (e) limitations to the methods of operations to be observed during drilling and in the subsequent management of any well and conduct of any operation for any purposes including the protection of life, property, and wildlife, the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the prevention of wells flowing out of control, and the prevention of pollution of water; and (f) the conditions for general conservation of petroleum and natural gas, the waste or improvident disposition thereof, and any other matter incidental to the development and drilling of petroleum or natural-gas wells and their operation and production.

“ The Drilling and Production Regulations, made pursuant to the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*, include provisions whereby the possibility of pollution is minimized. An owner wishing to drill a well must obtain approval from the Petroleum and Natural Gas Branch before commencing to drill. He must satisfy the Branch that adequate casing, blowout-prevention equipment, and safe drilling and completion practices will be employed in the operation. Branch staff make regular inspection of all drilling and producing operations within the Province to ensure that the regulations are being complied with.”

114 Mr. *Eddie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to the *Iron Bounty Act* (R.S.B.C. 1960, chapter 200):—

1. Is there an agreement in effect between the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources and Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company Limited relative to the operation of its steel furnace?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what is the term of the agreement as to effective dates and termination date, (b) what is the amount of bounty paid per ton for each of the classifications under section 5, clauses (a), (b), and (c), of the Act, and (c) what was the tonnage on which bounty was paid in each of the classifications mentioned above?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) Effective date January, 1961, termination date January, 1971; (b) *nil*, \$3, *nil*; and (c) *nil*, total to date 324,069.49 short tons, *nil*.”

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* (Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance) presented the Annual Report of the Mental Health Branch, Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance, for the year 1968.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Thursday, February 13, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. J. C. Johnson*.

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. *P. A. Gaglardi*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

The House proceeded to the Order “Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees.”

Mr. *Bonner* presented the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Reports of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the United Home Life Insurance Company Act, 1965*, have been complied with except that, owing to an intervening holiday, publication of notice occurred on a day not prescribed by Standing Order 100 (2). Your Committee recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

REPORT No. 2

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Yorkshire Trust Company* have been complied with except that, owing to an intervening holiday, publication of notice occurred on a day not prescribed by Standing Order 100 (2). Your Committee recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

REPORT No. 3

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Trinity Junior College* have been complied with except that, owing to an intervening holiday, publication of notice occurred on a day not prescribed by Standing Order 100 (2). Your Committee recommends that the petitioner be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

REPORT No. 4

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate St. Paul's Hospital at Vancouver, British Columbia*, have been complied with except that, owing to an intervening holiday, publication of notice occurred on a day not prescribed by Standing Order 100 (2). Your Committee recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

REPORT No. 5

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter* have been complied with except that, owing to an intervening holiday, publication of notice occurred on a day not prescribed by Standing Order 100 (2). Your Committee recommends that the petitioner be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

REPORT No. 6

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting the Planning Institute of British Columbia* have been complied with except that, owing to an intervening holiday, publication of notice occurred on a day not prescribed by Standing Order 100 (2). Your Committee recommends that the petitioner be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

REPORT NO. 7

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 13, 1969.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Interior Designers* have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioner be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman.*

By leave of the House, the reports were taken as read and received.

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

On the motion of the Hon. R. G. Williston, seconded by the Hon. C. M. Shelford, it was *Ordered*,—

That this House further authorize the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries to review the application of the 30–50-per-cent contractor clause in tree-farm licences as recommended in the report filed by the 1966 Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Berger, seconded by Mr. Stupich, it was *Ordered*,—

That all correspondence between the Pollution Control Branch and the Pollution Control Board and Northwood Pulp Limited, Prince George Pulp and Paper Limited, and Intercontinental Pulp relating to fulfilment or non-fulfilment or both of the conditions of their permits granted under the *Pollution Control Act, 1967*, be tabled in this House.

The Hon. W. A. C. Bennett (President of the Council) presented the following:—

The Milk Board Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 1968.

Annual Return for the calendar year 1968 submitted in accordance with section 53 of the *Administration Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*.

And then the House adjourned at 5.21 p.m.

Thursday, February 13, 1969

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. Clark, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act Respecting the Broadcasting of Debates and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia*.

Bill (No. 26) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act*.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *An Act to Provide Access to Public Buildings*.

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. C. M. Shelford, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

23 Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With reference to private hospitals (nursing homes) caring for all types of chronic patients (those capable of rehabilitation, those needing skilled nursing care and medical supervision, and those needing custodial care):—

1. How many profit hospitals are there in the Province and what is the total number of beds in these hospitals?

2. How many non-profit hospitals are there in the Province and what is the total number of beds in these hospitals?

3. Are any patients occupying beds in non-profit hospitals who do not qualify for \$1-per-day coverage under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service and, if so, how many?

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark replied as follows:—

"1. 67 units for 3,172 beds. These are licensed under section 8 of the *Hospital Act*.

"2. 22 units for 1,528 beds. These are designated under section 25 of the *Hospital Act* and are not licensed as private hospitals. The average number of eligible patients rather than the number of beds is included for hospitals operated by the Federal Government. The above figure excludes rehabilitation hospitals and units.

"3. Yes, 36 in extended-care facilities referred to in No. 2."

And then the House adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

Friday, February 14, 1969

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *C. L. Streight*.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *Coal Mines Regulation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 14, 1969.

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. 24) intituled *Coal Mines Regulation 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 after today.

On the motion of the Hon. *F. X. Richter*, Bill (No. 23) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mines Regulation Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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. *W. M. Skillings*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

6 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Prime Minister the following questions:—

With regard to the Mica Dam:—

1. What will be the total number of acres flooded behind the dam?
2. How many acres have been cleared up to December 31, 1968?

3. Has a plan for further clearing of the reservoir been developed?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, how many acres will be cleared prior to the filling of the reservoir, and what will be the cost to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 110,000 acres.

“ 2. Approximately 600 acres.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. (a) 30,000 acres, (b) cost to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, \$6.8 million, and (c) cost to British Columbia Government, \$4.3 million.”

7 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Prime Minister the following questions:—

With regard to the W. A. C. Bennett Dam reservoir:—

1. Approximately how many acres were flooded in the reservoir up to December 31, 1968?

2. How many acres will be flooded when the reservoir is filled to capacity?

3. How many acres (a) were cleared prior to the flooding of the reservoir, (b) were cleared up to December 31, 1968, and (c) will remain to be cleared?

4. What was the cost to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority for the clearing that has been done to date?

5. Has a clearing programme for the entire reservoir been developed?

6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, what is the estimated cost to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, and how long will it take to complete the programme?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 201,000 acres at 2,089.4 feet elevation.

“ 2. 408,000 acres at 2,200 feet elevation.

“ 3. (a) 39,100 acres, (b) 18,600 acres, and (c) approximately 10,800 acres.

“ 4. \$8,393,639 (including interest during construction and overhead costs to December 31, 1968).

“ 5. Yes.

“ 6. Not finalized. The programme will continue as long as required.”

11 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Was there any royalty return to the Province for coal produced by Crows Nest Industries Limited or Kaiser Coal Company in 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the royalty per ton paid in each year and (b) what was the total royalty paid in each year?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. No, lands were granted in 1899 and real-property tax, instead of royalty, applies.

“ 2. See answer to No. 1.”

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

What was the royalty return to the Province for (a) each ton of coal produced in British Columbia and (b) the total tonnage produced for the years 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“(a) Royalty of 25 cents per ton only applies to coal extracted from leased or licensed Crown lands and (b) 1965, 950,763 short tons; 1966, 850,821 short tons; 1967, 908,790 short tons; 1968, not yet available.”

14 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Are offices or accommodations maintained for any of the Ministers without Portfolio either in Kamloops or in the Vancouver Hotel?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the total annual cost of each relevant office and (or) accommodation, and which Ministers have the use of these facilities?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“1. No.

“2. Not applicable.”

33 Mr. *Parkinson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With respect to the report of the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education presented to this House on April 3, 1968:—

1. Has the Department of Education established the resource service recommended by the Committee?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what were the services provided during the year ended December 31, 1968?

3. Has any research on drug abuse been conducted by the Department of Education during the year ended December 31, 1968?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) what funds were expended, (b) what was the nature of the projects, and (c) are the conclusions available to the members of this House?

The Hon. *D. L. Brothers* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. The Department of Education has established a bibliography of educational materials including films, one of which has been purchased for circulation to schools. An invitational seminar has been arranged to discuss educational plans and evaluate additional materials for use in all schools.

“3. There have been meetings with health officials, law-enforcement officers, counsellors, and others. Research reports are being obtained and studied with a view to determining effective educational approaches.

“4. (a) \$2,570, (b) purchasing films for distribution to schools, purchasing materials for use by teachers, conducting invitational seminar for educators, and (c) not yet available.”

35 Mr. *Parkinson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With respect to the Public Health Branch Medical Health Officers:—

1. During the year ended December 31, 1968, were any vaccinations for red measles given by Medical Health Officers in the employment of the Public Health Branch?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many and at what locations and (b) was the vaccine material provided by the Health Branch?

3. If the answer to No. 2 (b) is no, who provided the vaccine material?

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 31,934 (see following table) and (b) no.

“ MEASLES VACCINE ADMINISTERED BY PROVINCIAL AND METROPOLITAN
PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF¹, 1966-68

Health Unit or Department	Number Immunized		
	1966	1967	1968
East Kootenay Health Unit	75	10	12
West Kootenay Health Unit .....	.....	1,850	.....
Selkirk Health Unit	615	507	405
South Okanagan Health Unit	2,155	1,337	.....
North Okanagan Health Unit	1,642	875	.....
South Central Health Unit .....	.....	1,650	.....
Peace River Health Unit	204	1,200	837
Northern Interior Health Unit	2,228	70	40
Skeena Health Unit	1,016	.....	12
Cariboo Health Unit .....	.....	1,237	312
Upper Fraser Valley Health Unit .....	.....	.....	204
Central Fraser Valley Health Unit .....	.....	.....	1,275
Boundary Health Unit .....	.....	1,236	991
Simon Fraser Health Unit .....	.....	.....	1,000
Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit .....	.....	3	2
Upper Island Health Unit	(²)	(²)	150
Central Vancouver Island Health Unit .....	.....	2,400	40
Sub-totals	7,935	12,375	5,280
Metropolitan health departments—			
Vancouver .....	.....	.....	.....
North Shore .....	.....	.....	.....
Burnaby .....	.....	.....	.....
Richmond .....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria .....	.....	.....	6,344
Totals	7,935	12,375	11,624

¹ Includes vaccine provided by medical services for administration to Indians.

² Not available.

“ 3. The vaccine was provided in three ways, depending on the area: (i) Purchased by parents at cost through health unit, (ii) provided free or at a reduced cost by a local service club, and (iii) provided by the Department of National Health and Welfare for Indian children on reservations.”

54 Mr. Hall asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With respect to hospital construction:—

1. What was the total sum spent on construction of acute hospital accommodation in British Columbia in the year ended December 31, 1968?
2. How much of that sum was provided by the Provincial Government?
3. How much of that sum was provided by the Federal Government?
4. How much of that sum was provided by municipal governments, hospital improvement districts, and fund-raising?

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark replied as follows:—

“ 1. \$21,963,299.81.

“ 2. Provincial Government grants under the old direct grant formula totalling \$2,347,174.21 together with a proportion of the sum of \$15,297,785.59 provided through borrowings under the *Regional Hospital Districts Act*. The Provincial Government's statutory responsibility for assisting in the payment of principal and interest on these borrowings is set out in section 22 of the said Act.

“ 3. \$3,392,614.21.

“ 4. \$925,725.80 in direct contributions together with the regional hospital districts' obligations (see No. 2).”

76 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

Regarding the Libby Dam:—

1. Has the survey establishing the flood-line of the area to be flooded in Canada been completed?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, have the property-owners so affected been advised?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, have any appraisals of the individual properties been made?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) how many and (b) have any settlements been made?
5. Has the clearing of the reservoir area been commenced?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is no, when will this be commenced?
7. Has an access route been established for the people living on the west side of the flooded area?
8. If the answer to No. 7 is yes, where does this access join Highway No. 93?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. No.
- “ 2, 3, and 4. Not applicable.
- “ 5. Yes, on Crown land.
- “ 6. Not applicable.
- “ 7. Under study at present.
- “ 8. Not applicable.”

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

What were the detailed investments of the following Funds as of January 31, 1969: (a) The Municipal Civil Servants' Superannuation Fund, (b) the Civil Servants' Superannuation Fund, (c) the Provincial Home-acquisition Fund, (d) the Queensborough Bridge Account, (e) the Burrard Inlet (Third Crossing) Fund, (f) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Superannuation Fund, (g) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Employees' Superannuation Fund, (h) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Sinking Fund, (i) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Sinking Fund, (j) the British Columbia Ferry Authority Sinking Fund, (k) the Teachers' Pensions Fund, (l) the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sinking Fund, (m) the Centennial Cultural Fund, (n) the Workmen's Compensation Fund, and (o) the British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority Sinking Fund?

The Hon. *W. D. Black* (on behalf of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*) stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.