Monday, March 14th, 1960

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father C. R. Janvrin.

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

F. M. Ross, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting British Columbia Electric Company Limited," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 14th, 1960.

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. 80) intituled "An Act respecting British Columbia Electric Company Limited," 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 to-day.

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

F. M. Ross, Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 14th, 1960.

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. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the Jury Act," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act respecting Legitimacy."

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the Testator's Family Maintenance Act."

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

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the Water Act."

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the Mineral Act."

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act respecting Public Service Group Insurance" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the Administration Act" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the Change of Name Act."

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the Pharmacy Act."

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the Supreme Court Act" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 65) intituled "Wills Act."

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Victoria Water District Act."

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Archæological and Historic Sites and Objects."

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act."

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to repeal the War Mariners' Benefits Act."

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to repeal the Provisional Free Miners' Certificates (Placer) Act."

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Nanaimo Sewerage and Drainage District Act."

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the Public Utilities Act" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the House reverted to the Order "Committee of Supply."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

The Hon. L. Wicks (Minister of Labour) presented the Annual Report of the Department of Labour of the Province of British Columbia for the Year ended December 31st, 1959.

Mr. Gregory asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

- 1. Has the Minister given consideration to the effect proclamation of section 40A of the "Customs Act" would have on the price at which fruit would be sold at retail in British Columbia?
- 2. If so, (a) what effect, if any, did he conclude it would have on the retail price of imported fruit and (b) what effect, if any, did he conclude it would have on the retail price of fruit grown in British Columbia?

The Hon. N. P. Steacy replied as follows:--

- " 1. Yes.
- "2. (a) The effect will be negligible, since the value for duty will be based upon the average declared value of such fruit over the preceding three-year period, and (b) the principal effect will be a more stable price structure at the retail level for such fruit."
- Mr. Gargrave asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—
- 1. Did any graduate psychiatric nurses resign from the Mental Health Services during the year 1959?
 - 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many resigned?

The Hon, E. C. F. Martin replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Personal reasons, 28; health, 17; further education, 12; family reasons, 41; left British Columbia, 29; other employment, 10; death, 5; and retired, 5; total, 147."

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

1. With reference to the Child Guidance Clinic, how many psychologists were employed there as at December 31st, 1959, and what were their relevant gradings?

2. How many social workers were employed there as at December 31st, 1959, and what were their relevant gradings?

The Hon. E. C. F. Martin replied as follows:—

- "1. Clinic Psychologist—Grade 5: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 1. Clinic Psychologists—Grade 4: Burnaby Travelling Clinic, 1, and Vancouver Island Clinic, 1. Clinic Psychologists—Grade 3: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 1, and Burnaby Travelling Clinic, 1. Clinic Psychologists—Grade 2: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 3. Total, 8; Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 5; Burnaby Travelling Clinic, 2; and Vancouver Island Clinic, 1.
- "2. Social workers: Superintendent of Welfare—Grade 2: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 1. Social Workers—Grade 4: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 4, and Vancouver Island Clinic, 1. Social Workers—Grade 3: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 3, and Vancouver Island Clinic, 1. Social Workers—Grade 2: Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 2, and Vancouver Island Clinic, 1. Total, 13; Child Guidance Clinic, Burnaby, 10; Burnaby Travelling Clinic, nil; and Vancouver Island Clinic, 3."

Mr. Cox asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—

With respect to Hume & Rumble Limited, of Vancouver, B.C., during 1959:—

- 1. Have any overtime permits been granted to them and, if yes, how many permits and for what projects?
- 2. Were any reports received by your Department regarding the number of hours worked on various projects and, if yes, what were the number of hours worked on various projects?

The Hon. L. Wicks replied as follows:—

"1. Overtime permits were granted with respect to the following projects or locations: B.C. Telephone Building, Vancouver, B.C.; Vancouver Rolling Mill; Murrin Sub-station; D'Arcy, B.C.; underground cable splicing between Sperling Sub-station and Camosun and 25th, Vancouver, B.C.; Horne Payne Sub-station; Ioco, B.C.; The T. Eaton Co. Canada Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.; Bridge River; Burrard Thermal Plant, Port Moody, B.C.; H.B.C. Parkade, Vancouver, B.C.; Vedder Sub-station; Burrard Building, Vancouver, B.C.; Lake City, Lougheed Highway; Ingledow Sub-station; Continental Can Co., Vancouver, B.C.; Rosedale, B.C.; Copper Mill, Annacis Island, B.C.; Woodlands School, New Westminster, B.C.; and Clareholm Falls Sub-station.

" 2. No."

Mrs. Haggen asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following question:—

At The Woodlands School, how many (a) psychiatric nurses, (b) psychiatric aides, (c) social welfare workers, (d) teachers, and (e) psychologists are now employed as of January 1st, 1960?

The Hon. E. C. F. Martin replied as follows:-

- "(a) 219, (b) 344, (c) 6, (d) 12, and (e) 2.
- "Note.—Figures given are as of December 31st, 1959. January 1st figures not available."

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

With respect to public health nurses:—

- 1. What was the total number of (a) Grade 1 nurses and (b) Grade 2 nurses employed in local health services as at December 31st, 1959?
 - 2. Did any public health nurses resign in the calendar year 1959?
- 3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) how many were Grade 1 and how many Grade 2 nurses and which of the respective years did the resignations take effect and (b) what reasons were given for the resignations?
- 4. At December 31st, 1959, were any public health nurses in the employ of the Department lacking in the full academic qualifications required for public health nursing appointments?
- 5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, how many nurses lacked the necessary qualifications?

The Hon. E. C. F. Martin replied as follows:--

- "1. (a) Public Health Nurses—Grade 1, 156, and (b) Public Health Nurses—Grade 2, 16.
 - " 2. Yes.
- "3. (a) Forty-one Public Health Nurses—Grade 1 resigned in 1959 calendar year, and one Public Health Nurse—Grade 2 resigned in 1959 calendar year, (b) 45 per cent of Public Health Nurses—Grade 1 resigned for personal, family, and marriage obligations, 42 per cent of Public Health Nurses—Grade 1 were registered nurses not fully qualified as public health nurses who decided not to take the required postgraduate training in public health nursing at university, 6 per cent resigned to take other positions, and 3 per cent resigned to travel, one Public Health Nurse—Grade 2 resigned to take additional public health nursing education at the University of California.
 - " 4. Yes.
- "5. Thirteen full-time public health nurses and five part-time public health nurses."

Mr. Gregory asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following question:—

In each year 1952 to 1959, inclusive, what was the quantity and value of each of the following brought into the Province for consumption: (a) Butter, (b) beef, (c) bacon and pork products, (d) flour and cereals, (e) potatoes, and (f) fresh fruits and vegetables?

The Hon. N. P. Steacy replied as follows:—

"After consultation with the Bureau of Economics and Statistics of the Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, it has been determined that these data are not available."

Mr. Cox asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—
With respect to Peterson Electric Construction Company Limited, of Vancouver, B.C., during 1959:—

- 1. Have any overtime permits been granted to them and, if yes, how many permits and for what projects?
- 2. Were any reports received by your Department regarding the number of hours worked on various projects and, if yes, what were the number of hours worked on various projects?

The Hon. L. Wicks replied as follows:-

- " 1. No.
- " 2. No."

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

With respect to The Woodlands School:—

- 1. Is there a waiting-list of patients?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many children were on this waiting-list as at (a) December 31st, 1958, and (b) December 31st, 1959?
- 3. Were there any empty beds in The Woodlands School as at (a) December 31st, 1958, and (b) December 31st, 1959?
 - 4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the reason?

The Hon. E. C. F. Martin replied as follows:—

- " 1. Yes.
- "2. (a) 551 and (b) 579.
- "3. (a) and (b) Yes.
- "4. Necessary lag in replacing patients transferred to the Tranquille School by new admissions. Structural alterations to kitchen which precluded full utilization of a ward in Fraserview unit."

Mr. Cox asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With respect to recipients of old-age pensions:—

- 1. How many persons were in receipt of Old-age Assistance as at December 31st, 1959?
- 2. How many recipients of Old-age Assistance were receiving (a) the full \$20 supplementary assistance and (b) less than \$20 supplementary assistance as at December 31st 1959?
- 3. How many persons over the age of 70 were receiving (a) the full \$20 supplementary assistance and (b) less than \$20 supplementary assistance as at December 31st, 1959?

The Hon. W. D. Black replied as follows:-

- "1. 7,277.
- "2. (a) 4,221 and (b) 3,056.
- "3. (a) 18,927 and (b) 7,732."

Mr. Gregory asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:— In each year since 1952:—

- 1. What was the average labour force employed in the Province?
- 2. What was the average hourly wage rate in each year?
- 3. At the present time, how many employees draw less than \$30 per week, \$30 to \$50 per week, \$40 to \$75 per week, \$75 to \$100 per week, \$100 to \$125 per week, and over \$125 per week?

The Hon. L. Wicks replied as follows:—

- "1. This information is not available from Department records.
- " 2. Same as No. 1.
- "3. Same as No. 1 and No. 2; see Annual Reports for partial answer."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 6.01 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

ONE MINUTE PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the Rules were suspended to permit the introduction of the following Bills without notice:—

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

On the motion of the Hon. L. Wicks—Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Act."

On the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner (on behalf of the Hon. E. C. F. Martin)—Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the Marriage Act."

On the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner—Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the Government Liquor Act."

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

F. M. Ross, Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 5th, 1960.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the Gas 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 to-day.

By leave of the House, the following notices of questions, standing in the name of Mr. *Gregory*, were withdrawn:—

- 1. Since 1955, have any bulletins been printed by the Department for distribution to farmers and, if so, specifically what bulletins?
- 2. Are farmers being invited by the Department to write to the State of Washington for bulletins on specialty crops?

Under last year's so-called "Winter Works Programme," what projects were undertaken and where was each located?

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

309. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,890 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1961.

- 310. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$74,428 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, General Administration, to 31st March, 1961.
- 311. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$16,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Commercial Fisheries Branch, to 31st March, 1961.
- 312. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$634,281 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Administrative Division, to 31st March, 1961.
- 313. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250,661 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Fisheries Management Division, to 31st March, 1961.
- 314. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$201,251 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Game Management Division, to 31st March, 1961.
- 315. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$109,961 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds, to 31st March, 1961.
- 316. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$429,756 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic (British Columbia Travel Bureau), to 31st March, 1961.
- 317. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$48,290 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Photographic Branch, to 31st March, 1961.
- 318. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,598,692 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Parks Branch, to 31st March, 1961.
- 319. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$88,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March, 1961.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.52 p.m.

Tuesday, March 15th, 1960

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. R. Easter.

On the motion of the Hon. E. C. F. Martin, Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the Psychiatric Nurses Act" was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the notice for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Societies Act," standing on the Order Paper in his name, was withdrawn.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the notice for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Co-operative Associations Act," standing on the Order Paper in his name, was withdrawn.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act respecting Public Service Group Insurance" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the Administration Act" was read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the Attachment of Debts Act."

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the Mental Hospitals Act."

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act."

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the Public Utilities Act."

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting the Revised Statutes of British Columbia."

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the Jury Act."

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the Gas Act."

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the Survivorship and Presumption of Death Act."

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the Companies Act."

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Act."

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the Conditional Sales Act."

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the Assignment of Book Accounts Act."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the Securities Act."

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the Motor-vehicle Act."

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the Insurance Act."

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act respecting British Columbia Electric Company Limited."

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Nanaimo Water District Act."

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act."

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act respecting the Attendance of Members of the Legislative Assembly at Parliamentary Association Conferences."

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the Rules were suspended to permit the second reading of the three following Bills, shown on the Order Paper as "not printed":—

Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Act" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the Marriage Act" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the Government Liquor Act" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

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

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to dissolve The Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company."

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to dissolve Maple Ridge Agricultural Association, incorporated August 20th, 1914, and to incorporate Maple Ridge Agricultural Association."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the North-west Telephone Company Act, 1929."

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the Vancouver Charter."

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the House reverted to Order "Committee of Supply."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

Mr. Campbell presented the Report of the Special Committee of this House appointed to examine and inquire into the subject of the use of trading stamps in connection with the marketing of consumer goods in the Province, as follows:—