Thursday, February 8, 1968

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. A. Roberts.

On the motion of Mr. Dowding, Bill (No. 16) intituled The Proceedings against the Crown 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 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:—

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| Jetcoat | Bennett | McDiarmid | Peterson | | |
| Tisdalle | Bonner | Capozzi | Gaglardi | | |
| Bruch | Black | Vogel | Richter | | |
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| | | Nays—21 | | | |
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| Williams, L. A. | Williams, R. A. | McGeer | Eddie |
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| Hartley | Barrett | Calder | Macdonald |
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PAIR:

Mrs. Dawson Mr. Macfarlane

Moved by the Hon. W. A. C. Bennett, seconded by the Hon. R. W. Bonner,— 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.

Mr. Dowding raised a point of order, namely, that the motion contravened Standing Order 27 (1) and (2) in that the precedence to be attached to Government orders and Government business was therein provided for, and consequently could not be altered.

Mr. Speaker, referring to Standing Order 60 and a ruling on the same matter appearing in the Journals of the House, 1967, at page 47, ruled that the motion was not subject to either debate or amendment.

Mr. Speaker further stated that, as explained in the decision referred to, the long-established practice of the House has been to give precedence to the motion for Committee of Supply and accordingly ruled that the motion was in order.

An appeal was taken from the ruling of the Chair.

The House divided.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:—

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Nays—21

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| Hall | Parkinson | Dailly, Mrs. | Strachan |
| Hartley | Barrett | Calder | Macdonald |
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PAIR:

Mrs. Dawson

Mr. Macfarlane

Motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. W. A. C. Bennett, seconded by the Hon. R. W. Bonner, 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.

Motion agreed to.

37 Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With respect to District Superintendents of Schools:-

- 1. What is the starting salary of District Superintendents in British Columbia?
- 2. What is the maximum salary paid?
- 3. In how many school districts of British Columbia do District Superintendents of Schools receive salaries less than one or more principals of schools or other district teaching personnel in their respective districts?

The Hon. L. R. Peterson replied as follows:-

- "1, \$13,040 minimum.
- "2. \$16,480 maximum.
- "3. The salaries of school district employed personnel are set by local boards and the release of this information is at the discretion of boards."

61 Mr. Clark asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:—

With respect to Mount Seymour Provincial Park:—

- 1. In the 12-month period ended December 31, 1967, were any funds expended on capital improvements on Mount Seymour Provincial Park?
 - 2. If the answer to No. 1 is ves, by months, how much?
- 3. During the same period what were the staff and maintenance costs in Mount Seymour Provincial Park?

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

- "2. January, nil; February, nil; March, nil; April, \$839.67; May, \$1,811.07; June, \$2,828; July, \$7,527.87; August, \$7,471.47; September, \$53,779.01; October, \$56,381.28; November, \$25,392.25; and December, \$10,637.56.
 - "3. \$55,057.60."
- 62 Mr. Clark asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:-

With respect to Mount Seymour Provincial Park:—

- 1. In the 12-month period ended December 31, 1967, were any funds expended toward completion of the chalet in Mount Seymour Provincial Park?
 - 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the amount of these funds?
- 3. Are all facilities in connection with the above-mentioned chalet now available for public use?
- 4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, has a date or have dates been established for such facilities to be available?
- 5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, what work has yet to be done to open all facilities in connection with the chalet to the public and what are the cost estimates for this work?

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

- " 1. Yes.
- "2. \$64,136.81.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Not applicable.
- " 5. Not applicable."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.24 p.m.

Friday, February 9, 1968

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. A. Calder.

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

That the Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year 1966/67 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:—

George R. Pearkes,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith:—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1969;

Schedule A. Sums required by her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1967, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure; and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

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. R. W. Bonner, "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:—

George R. Pearkes,

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 9, 1968.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 5) intituled An Act to Amend the Provincial Homeowner 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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-acquisition Grant Act and to Make Additional Appropriation for the Purposes of That Act, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

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 Provincial Homeacquisition Grant Act and to Make Additional Appropriation for the Purposes of That 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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES, 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 9, 1968.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 7) 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. W. A. C. Bennett presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

George R. Pearkes,

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 9, 1968.

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 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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, February 9, 1968.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 9) intituled An Act to Amend the Assessment Equalization 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:—

George R. Pearkes, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Vest the Undertaking of the British Columbia Ferry Authority in the Crown, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

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 Vest the Undertaking of the British Columbia Ferry Authority in the Crown, 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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Establish a Fund for the Purpose of Assisting the Construction of a Third Crossing of the Burrard Inlet, Vancouver, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

(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 Establish a Fund for the Purpose of Assisting the Construction of a Third Crossing of the Burrard Inlet, Vancouver, 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:—

George R. Pearkes, Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, February 9, 1968.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Amend the British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority Act, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 14) intituled An Act to Amend the British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority 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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Amend the British Columbia Regional Hospital Districts Financing Authority Act, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

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. 15) intituled An Act to Amend the British Columbia Regional Hospital Districts Financing Authority 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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 9, 1968.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 12) intituled An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962, 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 (Minister of Finance) presented the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company Statement of Accounts as at December 31, 1967.

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

With respect to the committee established by the Department of Education as to the inclusion of sex education in the British Columbia school curriculum:—

- 1. How many meetings has this committee held during the calendar year ended December 31, 1967?
 - 2. Has any report been made by this committee?
- 3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, will it be made available to the members of this House?
- 4. Are there now any such courses being given in the British Columbia school system?
- 5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, (a) in what school districts and (b) under what authorization?

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

- "1. Two meetings of the Health Steering Committee and 11 meetings of the Curriculum Revision Committee.
 - " 2. No.
 - "3. Not applicable.
 - " 4. Yes.
- "5. A survey is presently being made. The majority of programmes are extracurricular and have been authorized by the Boards of School Trustees for a school or schools under their jurisdiction."

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 4.28 p.m.

Monday, February 12, 1968

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. N. K. Archer.

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. R. G. Williston, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

102 Mr. Hall 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 1967 and (b) for the complete calendar year of 1967?
 - 2. How many boards were set up in 1967?
 - 3. How many cases were resolved in the applicant's favour during 1967?
- 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, 4; February, nil; March, 5; April, 2; May, 3; June, 2; July, 1; August, 3; September, 1; October, 2; November, 3; December, 2; and (b) 28. "2. 28.

" 3. 22.

| " 4. | No. of | No. of Cases Resolved in Appli- cant's | a E. R. Ferenon explicit a o meetings of the Health tavision Committee. | | No. of Cases Resolved in Appli- cant's |
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| Area | | Favour | Area | Cases | Favour |
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| Aldergrove | 1 | 1 | Lone Butte | 1 | 1 |
| Clearbrook | _ 1 | - | Merritt | 1 | 1 |
| Cobble Hill | _ 1 | setT_ abec | New Westminster City | 1 | - 1 |
| Duncan | _ 1 | 1 | North Surrey | 3 | 3 |
| Esquimalt | 1 | 1 | Prince George | 1 | 1 |
| Haney | 1 | | Vancouver City | 6 | 6 |
| Kamloops City | 1 | | Victoria City | 3 | 1 |
| Ladysmith | _ 1 | 1 | White Rock | 1 | 1" |

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.38 p.m.

Tuesday, February 13, 1968

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. N. S. Noel.

On the motion of the Hon. D. L. Brothers, 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. 18) intituled An Act to Adopt a Mineral Emblem for the Province.

Bill (No. 19) intituled An Act to Amend the Mineral Act.

On the motion of the Hon. R. G. Williston, Bill (No. 17) intituled An Act to Amend the Pollution Control Act, 1967, 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.

The House proceeded to "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

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

REPORT No. 1

Legislative Committee Room, February 8, 1968.

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 Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922, have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

REPORT No. 2

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

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. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 3

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

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 Confer Power upon Vancouver Bible Institute to Grant Theological Degrees have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 4

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

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 Regent College have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 5

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

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 Landscape Architects have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 6

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

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 Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 7

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

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 Anglican Theological College of British Columbia Act, 1915, have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 8

Legislative Committee Room, February 8, 1968.

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 Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922, have been complied with. Your Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 9

Legislative Committee Room, February 8, 1968.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

The petitioner for a Private Bill intituled An Act Relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria has requested that its petition be withdrawn and the deposit of \$300 paid therewith be refunded. Your Committee recommends that these requests be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

REPORT No. 10

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 8, 1968.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

The petitioner for a Private Bill intituled An Act Respecting Dispensing Opticians has requested that its petition be withdrawn and the deposit of \$300 paid therewith be refunded. Your Committee recommends that these requests be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SKILLINGS, Chairman.

The reports were read and received.

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

By leave of the House, the Hon. R. W. Bonner presented the following report:—

REPORT

Legislative Committee Room, February 13, 1968.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee appointed on January 25th to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to amend its report dated February 2, 1968, by adding to the Committee on Mining and Railways Mr. Hartley and to the Committee on Forestry and Fisheries the Hon. F. X. Richter.

Respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, Chairman.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

- 125 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—
- 1. (a) In British Columbia, how many tons of asbestos ore were mined, and (b) how many tons of asbestos were produced in the years 1965, 1966, and 1967?
 - 2. What was the value of the asbestos production for each of the above years?
- 3. How many tons of the asbestos produced in British Columbia in the above years were (a) used in the Province and (b) exported?
- 4. How much revenue from the production of the asbestos accrued to the Province from (a) royalties and (b) under the Mining Tax Act for the above years?

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

- "1. (a) 1965, 743,765 tons; 1966, 901,650 tons; 1967, not yet available; and (b) 1965, 85,851 tons; 1966, 88,771 tons; and 1967, not yet available.
- "2. Value of asbestos production (shipments) in British Columbia: 1965, \$14,491.195; 1966, \$15,718,741; and 1967, \$18,500,000 (estimate).
- "3. (a) No records available and (b) exported through British Columbia customs ports: 1965, 61,039 tons; 1966, 67,624 tons; and 1967, 56,366 tons (first nine months of 1967).
 - "4. (a) Nil and (b) Mining Tax Act administered by the Minister of Finance."
- **126** Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—
- 1. How many tons of copper concentrates were produced in British Columbia in 1965, 1966, and 1967?
- 2. What was (a) the total estimated value of these copper concentrates for each of the above years, and (b) the royalty return to the Province from the copper concentrates for each of the above years?
- 3. How many tons of the copper concentrates produced in British Columbia in the above years were (a) used in the Province and (b) exported?
- 4. How much revenue from the production of the copper concentrates accrued to the Province under the *Mining Tax Act* for the above years?

The Hon. D. L. Brothers replied as follows:-

- "1. 1965, 145,918 tons; 1966, 212,267 tons; and 1967, not yet available.
- "2. (a) There is no value placed on concentrates at this stage, and (b) nil.
- "3. (a) and (b) All copper concentrates produced in British Columbia are exported.
 - "4. Mining Tax Act administered by the Minister of Finance."
- **127** Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—
- 1. How many tons of iron concentrates were produced in British Columbia in 1965, 1966, and 1967?
- 2. What was (a) the total estimated value of these iron concentrates for each of the above years, and (b) the royalty return to the Province from the iron concentrates for each of the above years?
- 3. How many tons of the iron concentrates produced in British Columbia in the above years were (a) used in the Province and (b) exported?
- 4. How much revenue for the production of the iron concentrates accrued to the Province under the *Mining Tax Act* for the above years?

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

- "1. 1965, 2,103,276 tons; 1966, 2,000,720 tons; and 1967, not yet available.
- "2. (a) No value is placed on iron concentrates at this stage, and (b) 1965, \$251,577.69; 1966, \$263,181.81; and 1967, not yet available.
- "3. (a) and (b) Except for the production by Cominco of pig iron from the Sullivan mine ore iron tailings pile, all concentrates are exported.
 - "4. Mining Tax Act administered by the Minister of Finance."

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

Tuesday, February 13, 1968

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. L. R. Peterson, 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 11.10 p.m.

Wednesday, February 14, 1968

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Father Patrick Quigley.

On a point of order, Mr. Macdonald questioned a decision made by the Chairman of the Special Committee to Study the Report of the Royal Commission on Gasoline Price Structure and sought to have the decision considered by the House.

In considering the matter Mr. Speaker referred to Standing Orders 1 and 71 and noted that the usages and customs of the House of Commons of the United Kingdom would not assist in this case, as appeals from the ruling of the Speaker or the Chairman are unknown under English usage. He further stated that as there was no specific provision in our Standing Orders on the point raised, and as the English authorities were not applicable, this House had traditionally taken guidance from the Federal parliamentary practice, and referred the Honourable Members to Beauchesne's 4th Edition, page 240, which states, in part, as follows:—

"Under Standing 12, the Speaker's decisions on points of order are subject to an appeal to the House, and, under Standing Order 59, section (4), the decisions of the chairman of a committee of the whole in questions of order are subject to an appeal, not to the committee itself, but to the House. No Standing Order provides for an appeal from the Chairman of a Standing or Select Committee, but it has sometimes happened in Standing and Select Committees that appeals were taken from the Chairman's decisions to the committee, and even to the House itself. On July 24, 1956, an appeal was taken to the House from the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, and the Speaker ruled that the Chairman's ruling should

be settled in the Committee and not reported to the House. The House cannot be guided in a matter of this kind by precedents from the United Kingdom House of Commons where appeals are unknown."

Mr. Speaker ruled that the Chairman's ruling should be settled in the Committee and not reported to the House.

On the motion of Mr. Nimsick, Bill (No. 23) intituled An Act to Amend the Consumer Protection 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 Mr. Macdonald, Bill (No. 24) intituled An Act for Compensation for Victims of Crimes of Violence 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.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

On the motion of Mr. Wolfe, Bill (No. 50) intituled An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922.

On the motion of Mr. Wolfe, Bill (No. 51) intituled An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter.

On the motion of Mr. Wolfe, Bill (No. 54) intituled An Act Respecting Landscape Architects.

On the motion of Mr. Vogel, Bill (No. 52) intituled An Act to Confer Power upon Vancouver Bible Institute to Grant Theological Degrees.

On the motion of Mr. Vogel, Bill (No. 55) intituled An Act Respecting the Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association.

On the motion of Mr. Tisdalle, Bill (No. 53) intituled An Act to Incorporate Regent College.

On the motion of Mr. Skillings, Bill (No. 56) intituled An Act to Amend the Anglican Theological College of British Columbia Act, 1915.

On the motion of Mr. LeCours, Bill (No. 57) intituled An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922.

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.

92 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to snow removal on roads and bridges in the Atlin constituency in 1967/68:—

- 1. What are the names of the roads and bridges where snow removal was carried out?
- 2. What was the total cost of snow removal for each road and bridge?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "1. Salmon River Road, Alice Arm streets, Shore Road, Kitsault River Road, Aiyansh Area Road, Cassiar Mine Road, Telegraph Creek Road, Atlin Road and Atlin streets, Surprise Lake Road, Ruffner Mine Road, Spruce Creek Road as required, Birch Creek Road as required, Lower Post streets, and Telegraph Creek streets.
- "2. Snow-removal costs are not kept by the individual road or bridge. Total cost of snow removal in the Atlin District was \$26,379.29 for the fiscal year to December 31, 1967."
- 93 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

Relative to bridges in the Atlin constituency other than those located on the Stewart-Watson Lake Road:—

- 1. Were any bridges repaired in 1967/68?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what roads are they located, and what was the total cost of repairs of each bridge?
 - 3. Were any bridges rebuilt in 1967/68?
- 4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what roads are they located, and what was the total cost of construction to each bridge?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "Information supplied is for fiscal year to December 31, 1967.
- " 1. Yes.
- "2. Rainy Creek Bridge, Stewart Arterial, and Aiyansh Bridge, Irene Meadows Road, \$148.56. The following bridges were replaced by culverts at a total cost of \$4,175.96: Gloonah Bridge, Caska Road, and Corlick Bridge, Dease Lake—Telegraph Creek Road.
 - " 3. Yes.
- "4. Cobalt Bridge, Cascade Bridge, and Silver Falls Bridge, all on Big Missouri Mine Road. Total cost of all three, \$9,868.74. Individual costs not available."
- 94 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

Relative to roads in the Atlin constituency other than the Stewart-Watson Lake Road:—

- 1. Were any roads repaired in 1967/68?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the roads and what was the total cost of repairs of each road?
 - 3. Were any roads constructed in 1967/68?
- 4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of the roads and what was the total cost of construction to each road?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "Information supplied is for fiscal year to December 31, 1967. Individual cost records for main roads only.
 - " 1. Yes.
- "2. Salmon River Road, \$156.12; Shore Road, \$6,143.05; Alice Arm streets, \$1,683; Kitsault River Road, \$5,460.50; Big Missouri Mine Road,

\$10,131.26; Atlin Highway, \$6,784.70; Cassiar Mine Road, \$1,110.89; Dease Lake-Telegraph Creek, \$1,740.21; and miscellaneous, \$662.

- " 3. No.
- "4. Answered by No. 3."
- **116** Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to snow removal on the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway in 1967/68:—

- 1. What are the names of the road sections where snow removal was carried out?
 - 2. What was the total cost of snow removal for each road section?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:-

- "1. Dease Lake-Alaska Highway and Stewart-Surprise Creek.
- "2. Not available. Total cost of snow removal in the Atlin District for the fiscal year to December 31, 1967, \$26,379.29."
- 117 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway bridges other than the Bell-Irving River Bridge:—

- 1. Were any bridges repaired in 1967/68?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what road sections are they located, and what was the total cost of repairs of each bridge?
 - 3. Were any bridges rebuilt in 1967/68?
- 4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what road sections are they located, and what was the total cost of construction to each bridge?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Burrage River to Alaska Highway section: Bass Creek Bridge, Mile 80.1; Lang Creek Bridge, Mile 84.0; Beady Creek Bridge, Mile 112.1; Blue River Bridge, Mile 20.0; French Creek Bridge, Mile 35.0; Pine Tree Creek Bridge, Mile 104.5; Sawmill Creek Bridge, Mile 104.2; Troutline Creek Bridge, Mile 80.1; Vines Creek Bridge, Mile 116.2; Twin Lakes Bridge, Mile 86.1; Washout Creek Bridge, Mile 110.1; Packer Tom Bridge, Mile 124.0, replaced by culvert; Fender Creek Bridge, Mile 16.0, replaced by culvert; and Carmiar Creek Bridge, Mile 6.7, replaced by culvert. Total cost of repairs, \$4,175.96. Cost of each bridge not available. Stewart to Surprise Creek section: Upper Bear River Canyon Temporary Bridge, Surprise Creek bridges (near Meziadin Lake), and Bear River No. 2 Bridge. Total cost of repairs, \$2,014.53. Cost of each bridge not available.
 - "3 Yes
- "4. Stewart to Surprise Creek section: Goddard Bridge, redecked, \$955.69, and Bear Lake Creek Bridge, constructed, \$2,438.72."

118 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway:-

1. Were any road sections repaired in 1967/68?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the road sections and what was the total cost of repairs to each road section?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Burrage River to Alaska Highway, \$53,027.17; Bear Pass section, \$2,186.35; Mile 11 (Bear River No. 2 Bridge), \$532.22; Mile 8, \$508.47; and Bear River No. 1 Bridge, Mile 6, \$5,238.60."
- 119 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway bridge contracts let in 1967/68:—

- 1. What is the identification name of contractor and the amount of each contract let under the highway building programme?
 - 2. Are any contracts uncompleted?
- 3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what are the total amounts paid to date on each uncompleted contract, and (b) how much of each contract let remains to be expended?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "1. None let to January 31, 1968.
- "2 and 3. Answered by No. 1."
- 120 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway contracts let in 1967/68:—

- 1. What is the identification name of contractor and the amount of each contract let under the highway building programme?
 - 2. Are any contracts uncompleted?
- 3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what are the total amounts paid to date on each uncompleted contract, and (b) how much of each contract let remains to be expended?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- " 1. None let to January 31, 1968.
- "2. and 3. Answered by No. 1."
- **121** Mr. Stupich asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—
- 1. Was the Pearson Bridge originally constructed as a Trans-Canada Highway project?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, (a) did it become a part of the Trans-Canada Highway, and, if so, when, and (b) was any of the cost of construction recovered from the Federal Government, and, if so, how much?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "1. No.
- "2. (a) Yes, was incorporated into the route of the Trans-Canada Highway on December 7, 1956, and (b) no."
- **124** Mr. Stupich asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

Regarding the Pearson Bridge over the Millstone River:—

- 1. When was the bridge built?
- 2. Have plans been made for the widening of this bridge?
- 3. Have any funds been expended in connection with the proposed widening of this bridge apart from surveys?
- 4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, for what purposes and in what amounts were these funds expended?
- 5. Has widening of this bridge as part of the Trans-Canada Highway system been approved by the appropriate Federal department?
 - 6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, when was such approval granted?
 - 7. If the answer to No. 5 is no, was such approval requested, and, if so, when?
- 8. When is it expected that work will commence on the Pearson Bridge to up-grade it to meet present traffic needs?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:—

- "1, 1954.
- "2. Yes.
- " 3. Yes.
- "4. Foundation investigation and preparation of plans, \$11,488.62.
- " 5. Yes.
- "6. August 17, 1967.
- "7. Answered by No. 5.
- "8. As soon as priorities permit."
- **129** Mr. Stupich asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:—
- 1. What improvements have been made to Newcastle Island, year by year, since it became a Provincial park?
 - 2. What was the cost of each such improvement?
 - 3. How much has the Parks Branch spent on maintenance in each year?
- 4. Are improvements planned for 1968, and, if so, what is the estimated cost of each?

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

"1. 1960/61, surveys and preparation of plans; 1961/62, removed outdated installations; 1962/63, constructed 18-unit campground, minimal toilet and disposal facilities, provided new mooring-float, and conducted bridge survey and prepared estimates; 1963/64, installed mooring-buoys, provided picnic facilities, erected small service building, improved water system, and improved trail system; 1964/65, nil; 1965/66, installed additional float and expanded small-boat moorage; 1966/67, nil; and 1967/68, nil.

- "2. 1960/61, \$840.61; 1961/62, \$9,276.72; 1962/63, \$35,587.82 (including \$9,694.56 for youth crew); 1963/64, \$13,414.20 (including \$6,200 for youth crew); 1964/65, nil; 1965/66, \$4,668.11; 1966/67, nil; and 1967/68, nil. A breakdown of these expenditures by minor improvements is not available.
 - "3. \$7,000 plus \$2,500 ferry subsidy.

" 4. No."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.03 p.m.

Thursday, February 15, 1968

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. G. Smith.

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.

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

The Milk Board Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 1967.

Annual return for the calendar year 1967 submitted in accordance with section 53 of the Administration Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960.

On the motion of the Hon. L. R. Peterson, seconded by the Hon. W. D. Black, it was Ordered,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education survey the extent to which marijuana, LSD, and other lysergic drugs are available to our young people, study the cause and effect of such drugs, and report their observations and opinions thereon.

Further be it Resolved, That the Chairman draw to the attention of any witness his right to claim the protection of the Evidence Act of the Province and of Canada.

28 Mr. Perrault asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. With respect to the Columbia Treaty projects, what is the current estimated cost of clearing (a) the Duncan Dam reservoir and (b) the Mica Dam reservoir?

2. By projects, how many miles of reservoir clearing will be undertaken by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority?

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

- "The following information has been submitted by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:—
- "1. (a) Duncan clearing specifications issued by the Comptroller of Water Rights called for
 - "(i) clearing from the dam-site to an east-west line 1 mile north of Howser within five years of water storage; and
 - "(ii) clearing of the balance of the reservoir progressively to meet the pressure of regional recreational needs. This deferment of clearing is conditional upon the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority constructing an all-weather access road along the east shore of the reservoir.
- "Clearing of the east-west line mentioned in (a) (i) has been completed at a cost of \$1,552,000. Construction of the road (a) (ii) will be completed this year at an estimated cost of \$2,630,000. The current estimate of the cost of clearing the balance of the reservoir as specified in (a) (ii) is \$3,200,000.
- "(b) There is no current estimated cost of clearing the Mica reservoir. No clearing specifications have been issued to date by the Comptroller of Water Rights for this reservoir.
- "2. (a) Arrow: The entire reservoir, comprising approximately 320 miles of shoreline, is now being cleared. (b) Duncan: The entire reservoir comprises approximately 75 miles of shoreline, of which approximately 11 miles has been cleared and the balance will be cleared as indicated in No. 1 (a) (ii). (c) Mica: The entire reservoir comprises approximately 450 miles of shoreline, and the extent of clearing to be undertaken will be known after the Comptroller of Water Rights issues the clearing specifications."
- **51** Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:—

With reference to the publication "Beautiful British Columbia":—

- 1. What is the total cost of production since the inception of this magazine?
- 2. What is the total revenue derived from the sales of this magazine since its inception?

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

"The total production costs and revenues, year by year, are set out in the following figures and reply to questions 1 and 2:—

| Fiscal Year | Salaries | Travel Expenditures | Production Costs | Revenue |
|-------------|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1959/60 | \$6,600.00 | | \$76,678.53 | \$18,677.26 |
| 1960/61 | 10,200.00 | \$1,735.00 | 103,520.58 | 42,510.14 |
| 1961/62 | 10,164.00 | 1,500.00 | 122,000.00 | 93,777.43 |
| 1962/63 | 11,621.27 | 1,296.93 | 131,933.01 | 101,694.61 |
| 1963/64 | 16,030.05 | 2,163.12 | 145,576.44 | 109,827.77 |
| 1964/65 | 18,940.88 | 1,932.05 | 171,646.01 | 153,579.39 |
| 1965/66 | 22,634.75 | 1,915.14 | 234,787.61 | 199,847.45 |
| 1966/67 | 27,631.41 | 2,065.21 | 236,627.33 | 231,188.90 |
| 1967/681 | 33,194.10 | 373.60 | 213,828.06 | 257,158.11 |
| Totals | \$157,016.46 | \$12,981.05 | \$1,436,597.57 | \$1,208,261.06 |

Gross expenditure total, \$1,606,595.08.

[&]quot; 1 To January 31, 1968."

97 Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Premier the following question:—

What was the total amount paid by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority to the Aluminum Company of Canada for the purchase of electrical distribution and customer service facilities in Kitimat, B.C.?

The Hon. W. A. C. Bennett replied as follows:-

"The following information has been submitted by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:—

"\$2,000,100."

98 Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Premier 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, 1967?

2. What was the total revenue and total expenditure from March 31, 1967, to the latest available date?

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

- "The following information has been submitted by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:—
 - "1. Operating expenses, \$16,731,033, and plant expenditures, \$1,876,673.
- "2. From April 1, 1967, to December 31, 1967: Revenues, \$11,251,591; operating expenses, \$12,825,460; and plant expenditures, \$1,283,794."

106 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

- 1. How many acres in the Arrow reservoir basin will be flooded?
- 2. Have any reservoir clearing contracts been let since December 31, 1966?
- 3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) how many clearing contracts have been let for the year 1967, (b) what is the acreage involved in each contract, (c) what is the cost of each awarded contract, and (d) who was the successful bidder for each contract?
- 4. What was the acreage cleared (a) in the year 1967 and (b) the total to December 31, 1967?
 - 5. What has been the total cost of clearing to December 31, 1967?

The Hon. W. A. C. Bennett replied as follows:-

- "The following information has been submitted by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority.
 - "1. 27,350.
 - "2. Yes.
 - "3. (a) 20; (b), (c), and (d) as follows:—

| Size (Acres) | Contractor | Cost |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| 436.9 | Big Valley Contractors Ltd. | \$86,168 |
| 195.0 | Universal Timber Products | 54,400 |
| 290.0 | Big Valley Contractors Ltd. | 38,430 |
| 400.0 | Okanagan Copter Sprays Ltd. | 166,392 |
| 450.0 | D. S. Ashe Contracting Ltd. | 76,800 |
| 120.0 | A. G. McKinnon | 40,000 |
| 378.7 | Newberry & Cleaveley | 102,249 |
| 469.2 | Big Valley Contractors Ltd. | 311,230 |
| 570.0 | MacArthur Construction Co. Ltd. | 423,151 |
| 344.2 | Evin's Contracting Ltd. | 126,400 |
| 183.5 | Sam Striloff | 68,400 |
| | | |

| Size | Contractor | Cost |
|---------|--|----------|
| (Acres) | Contractor | |
| 388.5 | Zanatta-Dobbs Clearing & Bulldozing Ltd. | \$86,220 |
| 163.5 | Zanatta-Dobbs Clearing & Bulldozing Ltd. | 51,865 |
| 100.0 | Alpine Clearing Ltd. | 31,656 |
| 336.1 | Geddes Contracting Co. Ltd. | 109,272 |
| 245.7 | Universal Timber Products Ltd. | 80,850 |
| 65.0 | A. C. McEachern Ltd. | 22,800 |
| 305.0 | MacArthur Construction Co. Ltd. | 107,950 |
| 410.0 | Alpine Clearing Ltd. | 76,830 |
| 300.0 | Pooley Bros. Ltd. | 67,000 |
| " 4. | (a) 13,478 and (b) 21,901. | |
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"5. \$9,013,840."

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

- 1. What services of the Department of Agriculture were charged against the farmers using them during the calendar year 1967?
 - 2. What was the amount of revenue from each such service?
- 3. How much revenue was credited to Consolidated Revenue from each such service?
- 4. How much revenue from each service was credited to the cost of such service?
- 5. What additional services, if any, are being charged for during the current fiscal year?
- 6. What was the amount of revenue from foodstuffs sold on projects organized by the Department of Agriculture during the calendar year 1967?
 - 7. How much revenue was credited to the cost of each such project?
- 8. How much revenue was credited to Consolidated Revenue from each such project?

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

- "1 and 2. Veterinary laboratory service, \$10,839; meat-inspection service, \$1,011.50; brand inspections, \$52,257.20; Horned Cattle Purchases Act, \$13,898; Beef Cattle Producers' Assistance Act, \$44,944.40; beef-cattle test policy, \$2,407.08; pullorum testing, \$7,473.15; soil analysis, \$8,465; pesticide analysis, \$254; engineering consultation, \$2,911.50; and farm business management, \$5,122.
- "3. All credited to Consolidated Revenue except Beef Cattle Producers' Assistance Act, which is held in a trust account.
 - " 4. Nil.
 - " 5. Beef-cattle test policy.

"6. Poultry Branch, \$31,414.12, disposal after routine testing of eggs and poultry. Colony Farm and Tranquille Farm foodstuffs sales to public negligible.

- "7 and 8. Poultry Branch, \$31,414.12. Colony Farm and Tranquille Institution Farm cash receipts mostly for sale of breeding-stock; produce used by Provincial institutions as shown in Public Accounts; all credits for above farms applied to votes—see Public Accounts."
- 138 Mr. Nimsick asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:—
- 1. Has consideration been given to the setting-up of reserves in the East Kootenay Regional District for big-game winter range?
 - 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, have any areas been reserved for this purpose?

- 3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, what areas have been reserved?
- 4. If the answer to No. 2 is no, when will these reserves be set up?
- 5. If the answer to No. 1 is no, when will this question be considered?

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

- "1. Yes.
- " 2. Yes.
- "3. Three hundred and twelve acres of winter range on Sheep Mountain near Elko, B.C. Ninety acres of bighorn sheep range at Bull River. Crown lands reserved on east side of Columbia Lake."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Thursday, February 15, 1968

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Macfarlane asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, and stated the matter as follows:—

"Mr. Speaker,—I rise under Standing Order 35 to raise a matter of urgent public importance. The matter of urgent public importance is the strike vote taken by the B.C. Ferry employees which will result in strike action being taken tomorrow, interrupting the vital Provincial ferry service between the Mainland and Vancouver Island."

Mr. Speaker quoted May's 17th Edition, page 365, and pointed out that a motion under Standing Order 35 must not be offered when facts are in dispute or before they are available. He stated that while a strike vote may result in the interruption of the ferry service between the Mainland and Vancouver Island, the House had been advised that discussions were presently under way in this matter, and, accordingly, he ruled that he would allow the motion to be postponed without prejudice.

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. K. Kiernan, 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 10.31 p.m.