

Monday, March 21st, 1949.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1950.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Office, to 31st March, 1950.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Insurance Office, to 31st March, 1950.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,390 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Branch, to 31st March, 1950.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Credit Unions Act," to 31st March, 1950.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1950.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1950.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,060 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1950.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, to 31st March, 1950.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,240 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1950.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$335,145 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1950.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$114,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1950.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Stenographers, to 31st March, 1950.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$410,618 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch, to 31st March, 1950.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,413,825 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1950.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Nelson Gaol, to 31st March, 1950.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$427,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm, to 31st March, 1950.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Women's Gaol, to 31st March, 1950.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Prince George Gaol, to 31st March, 1950.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$495,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1950.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$179,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1950.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Crown Prosecutor's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1950.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1950.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1950.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds, to 31st March, 1950.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1950.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Probation Office, to 31st March, 1950.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$72,415 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, New Haven, to 31st March, 1950.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Magistrates' Convention, to 31st March, 1950.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, In Aid of Removal of Discriminatory Freight and Express Rates, to 31st March, 1950.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,860 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1950.

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

Mr. *Hope* presented a Report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 16th, 1949.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters begs leave to report as follows:—

Several meetings of this Committee were duly held.

The executive of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities appeared before the Committee and requested amendments to the "Municipal Act," the "Village Municipalities Act," the "Municipal Elections Act," the "Local Improvement Act," the "Sheep Protection Act," and the "Poll Tax Act." The Department of Municipal Affairs submitted amendments to the "Municipal Act," the "Village Municipalities Act," the "Municipal Elections Act," the "Municipalities Incorporation Act," and the "Local Improvement Act."

Interested parties were given a hearing. A number of amendments were approved which will, in due course, be submitted to this Legislature for enactment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. C. HOPE, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22nd, 1949.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

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

Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Stock-brands Act.’”

Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Horse-racing Regulation Act.’”

Bill (No. 27) intituled “An Act to grant certain Powers to the City of Vancouver.”

Bill (No. 28) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Mechanics’ Lien Act.’”

Bill (No. 29) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Evidence Act.’”

Bill (No. 30) intituled “An Act respecting the Institution known as ‘New Haven.’”

Bill (No. 31) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Wife’s Protection Act.’”

Bill (No. 32) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Summary Convictions Act.’”

Bill (No. 34) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Moratorium Act.’”

Bill (No. 35) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Game Act.’”

Bill (No. 36) intituled “An Act to confirm the Special Survey of the Townsite of Port Moody.”

Bill (No. 37) intitued “An Act to amend the ‘Contributory Negligence Act.’”

Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Real-estate Agents’ Licensing Act.’”

Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Arbitration Act.’”

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Legal Professions Act,” a debate arose.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Motor-vehicle Act.’”

The debate continued.

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1950.

The Committee reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.20 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22nd, 1949.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1949.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, Oakalla Prison Farm—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1949.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds—Salaries and Expenses and Bounties, to 31st March, 1949.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-books, Maps, etc., to 31st March, 1949.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveyances (Special Services), to 31st March, 1949.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Superannuation Fund, 7% ("Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act"), to 31st March, 1949.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools and Teacher-training for Special Certificates, to 31st March, 1949.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$225 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Board of Reference, to 31st March, 1949.
82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Division of Tests, Standards, and Research—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.
96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes Office—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.
98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Office Furniture and Equipment (Purchases, Repairs, and Servicing), to 31st March, 1949.
101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc.—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.
110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, General Services, to 31st March, 1949.
111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Cancer Control (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1949.
118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Venereal Disease Control (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1949.
120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$92,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Tuberculosis Control, to 31st March, 1949.
121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Provincial Infirmaries—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.
126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1949.
127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$140,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1949.
132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Industrial School for Boys—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.
136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office—Travelling Expenses and Automobiles, to 31st March, 1949.
142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Branch—Boards of Arbitration and Office Supplies, to 31st March, 1949.
190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission—Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.
193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$435,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Superannuation Act," to 31st March, 1949.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Collections Office—Salaries, to 31st March, 1949.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Hospitals—Administration and Grants, Hospital Construction (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1949.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1949.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,833 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$867,217.13 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1949.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,787 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance and Repairs to Government Buildings and Rental of Offices (except Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1949.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, Vancouver—Salaries, to 31st March, 1949.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,372 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, Vancouver—Salaries and Travelling Expenses, etc., to 31st March, 1949.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$789,971.59 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31st, 1948, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Resolutions considered forthwith and adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply reported on the 10th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st, and 22nd days of March be received and read a first time.

That the Resolutions be now read a second time and taken as read.

That the Resolutions be now read a third time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole forthwith to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty the following sums be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of British Columbia:—

\$789,971.59 for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1948.
2,393,034.13 for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1949.
92,308,018.63 for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1950.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.
Resolution considered forthwith and adopted.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

By leave of the House, Bill read a second time and committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismar*—Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Consumer Credit Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismar*—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Putnam*—Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Protection of Children Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act relating to the Kelowna War Memorial Arena" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pound District Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Beef Cattle Producers' Assistance Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horned Cattle Purchases Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Thirty-eight million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the District of Kent and certain Drainage and Dyking Works within the Municipality of Kent" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'New Westminster Parks Act, 1908.'"

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

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electric Power Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Health and Welfare Act.'"

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act.'"

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to impose a Tax on the Income of certain Corporations.'"

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act relating to the City of Chilliwack and The Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack and to certain Dyking-works within the Township of Chilliwack.'"

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Superannuation Act.'"

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act.'"

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Victoria Water District Act.'"

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to provide for the Development of the Central Interior of British Columbia."

The debate continued.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act respecting Flood-control in the Okanagan Valley."

The debate continued.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928.'"

The debate continued.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting Trans-Canada Highways."

The debate continued.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boiler Inspection Act,' " a debate arose.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electrical Energy Inspection Act,' " a debate arose.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting Settlement of Claims of Contractors on the Construction of the John Hart Highway," a debate arose.

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

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

1. Has a survey been made in recent years of the area between Kitimat and the Skeena Highway for road purposes?

2. If not, is such a survey contemplated in the immediate future?

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

“1. No survey has been made between Kitimat and the Skeena Highway.

“2. No survey is contemplated at the present time.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.42 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22nd, 1949.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Johnson*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “Public Bills and Orders.”

Bill (No. 17) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Forest Act’” was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Schools Act’” was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Water Act’” was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Stock-brands Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 15) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘New Westminster Parks Act, 1908,’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Trust Companies Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled “An Act to provide for the Development of the Central Interior of British Columbia” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act respecting Flood-control in the Okanagan Valley” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928,” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled “An Act respecting Trans-Canada Highways” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electric Power Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act respecting the Institution known as 'New Haven'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wife's Protection Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moratorium Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to confirm the Special Survey of the Townsite of Port Moody" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Contributory Negligence Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Health and Welfare Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boiler Inspection Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electrical Energy Inspection Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, and, by leave of the House, considered forthwith, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to impose a Tax on the Income of certain Corporations" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Superannuation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Victoria Water District Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Arbitration Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting Settlement of Claims of Contractors on the Construction of the John Hart Highway" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to grant certain Powers to the City of Vancouver" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act relating to the City of Chilliwack and The Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack and to certain Dyking-works within the Township of Chilliwack" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.'"

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902.'"

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to impose certain Building Restrictions in certain Portions of District Lot 550, in the City of North Vancouver, which front on Grand Boulevard in said City."

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences Act.'"

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Consumer Credit Act.'"

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act.'"

- Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Protection of Children Act.'"
- Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"
- Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act.'"
- Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"
- Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"
- Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act'" was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The Committee resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to promote the Industrial Development of the Province."

The debate continued.

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

Mr. *King* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 17th, 1949.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

The Select Standing Committee on Agriculture held several meetings and heard representations from the advisory board of Farmers' Institutes conjoined by a representation from the British Columbia Federation of Agriculture and begs to report as follows:—

1. That in order to satisfactorily conserve the wild life of the Province, all revenues accrued under the "Game Act" be earmarked for use by the Game Commission in order that a sustained programme of game management may be put into immediate operation and, further, that if the said revenue is not sufficient to look after and manage the wild-life resources of the Province, that additional funds be granted by the Government.

2. That to lessen the burden of school taxes on land and improvements a more equitable system be evolved.

3. That the coverage for health insurance be broadened in scope.

4. That before daylight saving be again put into effect a plebiscite be taken at the first general election to establish the desires of the people in this matter.

5. That if margarine is allowed, no colour resembling butter be permitted wherever sold or served, nor any advertising be allowed suggesting any phase of farming.

6. That the Committee endorses the principle of reserving the same area of timber when allocating timber leases around any lake, stream, or spring as they at present do along public roads.

7. That this Committee endorses the fundamentals of a new method for providing motor-vehicle insurance as presented in a memorandum by Thomas King, Esq., M.L.A.

8. That the Provincial Department of Trade and Industry and the Dominion Department of Trade and Commerce be urged to expand and intensify their efforts to develop markets for Canada's farm products in the United States and in other countries

and that these efforts include the sending of trade missions to such countries for the purpose of exploring every potential marketing opportunity.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS KING, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

Mrs. *Hodges* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 18th, 1949.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education begs leave to report as follows:—

This Committee held three meetings, when the following officials from the Provincial Mental Hospital at Essondale were heard: Mr. H. T. Hall, Director of Occupational Therapy; Dr. A. L. Crease, Director of Mental Hygiene and Psychiatry; Dr. A. M. Gee, Deputy Medical Superintendent.

Mr. Hall traced the history and growth of the occupational and vocational therapy training over the years, showing that the value of such therapeutic treatment had been so convincingly demonstrated as to warrant the contemplated extension of the programme to include patients who are at present unable to leave the wards for the workshops.

Members of your Committee also welcomed the opportunity to see a further demonstration of the splendid results of this training in the exhibit of patients' work staged in the rotunda of the Parliament Buildings recently.

Both Dr. Crease and Dr. Gee gave a comprehensive outline of the plans, purpose, and programme of the new Crease Clinic for Psychological Medicine and its correlation with the over-all, long-range pattern of British Columbia's approach to the whole problem of mental illness, its prevention, treatment in the early stages, and rehabilitation of patients. After hearing these authorities, your Committee placed itself on record as whole-heartedly supporting the principles and policies carried out by the Government in this most important phase of public health.

Your Committee begs to recommend:—

1. The continuation and maximum extension of the occupational and vocational therapy programme at the earliest possible opportunity.

2. The provision of recreation rooms for the use of patients in work-gangs to take the place of those which, owing to overcrowding, have been given over to the use of the staff.

Your Committee also recommends that steps be taken to give wider publicity to the value of the occupational and vocational therapy being carried on in our mental institutions by arranging for the exhibit of patients' work to be shown at as many local fairs throughout the Province as possible. Such a step, your Committee feels, would go far toward dispelling the unfortunate and mistaken concept of mental illness which is all too prevalent in the public mind to-day.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NANCY HODGES, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.21 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23rd, 1949.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

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

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Industry Act.'"

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act respecting Oleomargarine."

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to provide for Fixed Annual Assessments for the Years 1950 to 1953, inclusive, of certain Lands within the Limits of the Township of Richmond used for the Purposes of an Airport."

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to grant certain Powers to the City of Vancouver" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act relating to the City of Chilliwack and The Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack and to certain Dyking-works within the Township of Chilliwack" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Consumer Credit Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Protection of Children Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902,'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, and, by leave of the House, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to impose certain Building Restrictions in certain Portions of District Lot 550, in the City of North Vancouver, which front on Grand Boulevard in said City" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Wednesday, March 23rd, 1949.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act respecting Oleomargarine."

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Industry Act.'"

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to provide for Fixed Annual Assessments for the Years 1950 to 1953, inclusive, of certain Lands within the Limits of the Township of Richmond used for the Purposes of an Airport."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to promote the Industrial Development of the Province."

The debate continued.

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

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

Mr. *Corsbie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rowland*,—

Whereas marketing legislation has proven of great benefit to the primary producers and has demonstrated its value in stabilizing markets and prices for agricultural products:

And whereas Provincial boundaries and jurisdiction often hinder the attainment of the full advantages of organized marketing:

And whereas marketing legislation can not be made completely effective without the enabling legislation of a Dominion Marketing Act:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House affirms its belief that Dominion and Provincial marketing legislation are necessary if farm products are to be marketed in an orderly and economical manner.

And be it further Resolved, That this House commends to consideration of the Government the need for strongly urging the Federal Government to improve the methods and practices of marketing of agricultural products in the realm of inter-provincial and export trade by the enactment of Federal legislation.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

Mr. *McInnis* moved, seconded by Mr. *Guthrie*,—

Whereas there is increasing unemployment in Canada and particularly in British Columbia:

And whereas we are close to the end of the high level of employment made possible by supplying war materials, by replacing materials and equipment destroyed during the war, by export of goods financed by Government loans, and by purchases under the Marshall Plan:

And whereas the commission known as the "McGregor Commission" appointed by the Federal Government to inquire into the operations of monopolies and cartels and their effect upon the Canadian economy revealed that nearly all basic materials essential to our economy are controlled by monopolies and cartels operating principally outside of Canada:

And whereas it was revealed that directors of these corporations, who have no responsibility to the Canadian people, initiate policies and regulations which hinder and handicap the Canadian economy thereby creating unemployment in Canada by restricting Canadian production to the requirements of the domestic market and by setting prices on controlled essential materials entirely unrelated to their value, the following materials being thus controlled—fertilizers, tanning materials, glass, sulphur dyestuffs, cemented tungsten carbide, chemicals, aluminium, copper, lead, zinc, nickel, steel, pipes and tubes, radium, newsprint, electric lamps, radio tubes, and matches and other materials:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Assembly request the Provincial Government to urge the Federal Government to take immediate steps to counteract the evils arising

from monopoly control and that those guilty of law evasion and illegal practices be given suitable punishment where such punishment is possible.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

Mr. Quinn moved, seconded by Mr. Harding,—

Whereas the residents of Trail are deeply concerned about the likelihood of a repetition of last year's floods and have stressed to both Provincial and Federal authorities the necessity of completing the Esplanade wall at Trail:

And whereas Federal Government engineers have made an examination of the wall at Trail, have submitted plans of the proposed extension, and estimate the work to cost \$265,000;

And whereas the Hon. Alphonse Fournier, Federal Minister of Public Works, in a letter to the Mayor of Trail on February 10th of this year stated that "when a municipality is desirous of applying to the Federal Government for a contribution towards a project it is for them to take the matter up with the Provincial authorities first, who, in turn, can approach the Federal Government. It is suggested that this procedure be followed in this case":

Be it therefore Resolved, That in view of the need for speedy action this House is of the opinion that the Minister of Public Works should take early action to ascertain the needs of Trail relative to extension of the Esplanade wall and submit same to the Hon. Alphonse Fournier requesting immediate assistance to the municipal authority in the construction of necessary protective works,—along the banks of a navigable waterway.

A debate arose.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

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

C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 23rd, 1949.

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. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

That the *Order* for the third reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" as passed on the 22nd day of March, be discharged.

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

C. A. BANKS,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor returns herewith Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" with amendment enclosed herewith, and recommends the amendment to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 23rd, 1949.

(ENCLOSURE.)

To add the following as section 4:—

"4. Section 10 is amended by renumbering the present section as subsection (1) and by adding the following as subsection (2):—

"(2) Every Deputy Registrar of Voters may, if authorized by the Registrar-General of Voters, make a house to house visitation for the purpose of obtaining applications for registration as a voter, and any person impeding or obstructing any Deputy Registrar of Voters in carrying out his duties under this section shall be guilty of an offence against this Act and shall be liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty of not less than ten dollars and not more than fifty dollars for each such offence."

Ordered, That the said Message, and the amendment 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 the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolution and admendment reported.

Report adopted.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time

Ordered, That the amendment and the Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Johnson*, seconded by Mr. *H. E. Winch*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House express its satisfaction and pleasure that Newfoundland is to become the tenth Province in our Canadian Federation.

And that this House extend to the people of Newfoundland the warmest and most cordial welcome from the people of British Columbia.

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

What is the total amount of land taxes paid in the Nanaimo Assessment District by the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, for the years 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, and 1947 respectively.

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

"Year 1943, \$2,641.46; year 1944, \$2,599.90; year 1945, \$2,789.58; year 1946, \$2,909.62; and year 1947, \$4,412.93."

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

1. What amounts of money were paid into the Teachers' Pensions Fund for each year from and inclusive of 1941 to 1948 by (a) teachers and (b) employers?

2. What total amounts were paid out each year, as above, for superannuation benefits?

3. What were the total amounts of teachers' salaries during each of the above years?

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

"The Teachers' Pensions Fund is not operated on a cash disbursement basis, but on sound actuarial principles. There is no immediate relationship between annual income and annual expenditure. A valuation is made by the consulting actuary every three years, and his report makes recommendations to ensure the continuing actuarial solvency of the Fund. For instance, the 1946 report disclosed an improved mortality experience which necessitated an immediate revision of the tables. The next actuarial valuation will be made as at December 31st, 1949.

"As at December 31st, 1947, there were 5,942 contributors. At the same date, 541 were in receipt of pensions.

"All contributions, both from employers and employees, are paid into the Teachers' Pensions Fund, and all moneys not required to meet pension payments and refunds are invested in trustee securities, the market value of which as at December 31st, 1947, was \$8,012,091.01.

"This sum, together with the cash on hand (\$247,535.16), represented the amount available to meet the accrued pension liabilities, both matured and unmatured, at that date in respect of contributors and pensioners.

"Through the Teachers' Pensions Board, upon which are represented the Government, the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, and the British Columbia School Trustees Association, a constant watch is maintained regarding the solvency of the Teachers' Pensions Fund and the administration of the Act according to its true intent and in the best interest of the teachers themselves.

"In specific reply to the questions:—

"1.

	(a)	(b)
	Contributions by Teachers.	Contributions by Employers.
1941	\$297,852.51	\$141,514.54
1942	367,543.04	569,504.42
1943	381,476.73	591,966.67
1944	401,233.23	607,620.31
1945	445,565.64	656,778.48
1946	514,485.37	733,708.05
1947	634,431.44	869,303.16
1948	722,000.00*	975,600.00*

* Estimate; books for 1948 not yet finally closed.

"2. Pension payments: 1941, \$158,452.93; 1942, \$176,305.17; 1943, \$190,496.55; 1944, \$202,943.22; 1945, \$225,230.19; 1946, \$250,132.55; 1947, \$273,593.21; and 1948, \$298,682.31.

"3. Salaries of teachers contributing to the Teachers' Pensions Fund (estimated): 1941, \$6,200,000; 1942, \$6,302,000; 1943, \$6,417,000; 1944, \$6,833,000; 1945, \$7,595,000; 1946, \$8,767,000; 1947, \$10,853,000; and 1948, \$12,544,000."

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

1. What amount, if any, was spent on the hard-surfacing, etc., of Nakusp streets in 1948?
2. What mileage in Nakusp was hard-surfaced in 1948?
3. Is the job completed?
4. If no, what amount is required to complete same?

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

- “1. \$33,111.
- “2. Approximately 0.4 mile.
- “3. Yes.
- “4. Answered by No. 3.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.23 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23rd, 1949.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Johnson*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “Public Bills and Orders.”

Bill (No. 43) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Elections Act’” was committed, reported complete with amendment, and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 66) intituled “An Act to promote the Industrial Development of the Province” was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 81) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Dairy Industry Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 78) intituled “An Act respecting Oleomargarine” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 79) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Constitution Act’” was read a second time, and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended, and the Bill referred to the Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

Bill was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Trustee Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to provide for Fixed Annual Assessments for the Years 1950 to 1953, inclusive, of certain Lands within the Limits of the Township of Richmond used for the Purposes of an Airport" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921,'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

Mr. *Gargrave* moved, seconded by Mr. *Brett*,—

Whereas coastal fares and freight rates are as vital to communities using coastal steamship services as railway fares and freight rates are to communities served by railroads:

And whereas Canadian railway passenger and freight rates are subject to approval by the Board of Transport Commissioners and to public hearings at which interested bodies may make representations:

And whereas coastal fares and freight rates are apparently subject to no such supervision:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House petition the Government of the Dominion of Canada urging that coastal fares and freight rates be placed under supervision similar to that required for railway freight rates by either the Board of Transport Commissioners or the Canadian Maritime Commission.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Welch* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *MacDougall*,—

To strike out paragraphs 2, 3, and 4, and to substitute therefor the following:—

"And whereas the Government of British Columbia has been pressing vigorously for the equalization of freight rates and the removal of the mountain differential:

"And whereas there is no provision for the consideration of fares and freight rates in coastwise shipping which affect many thousands of our citizen in the coastal areas:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this House commends the Government for its vigorous campaign in relation to the rates and charges of the railways and requests that consideration be given by the Government as to the question of freight and fares on coastal waters with a view to formulating a policy in the interests of the people."

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

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

Whereas the further encouragement of cultural studies and activities would prove most beneficial to the citizens of the Province:

And whereas Provincial Government leadership in such a worthy endeavour would give added impetus and direction in the fields of art and drama:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that the Government should give consideration to ways and means of furthering arts and drama in the Province and should take under advisement the introduction of the necessary legislation to establish a Provincial board authorized to endeavour to: (1) Make available to the people of British Columbia opportunities to engage in any one or more of the following activities—drama, the visual arts, music, literature, handicrafts, and other

arts; (2) provide leadership in such activities; (3) promote the development and maintenance of high standards for such activities in the Province; (4) provide for the training of lecturers and instructors in the principles of drama, the visual arts, music, literature, handicrafts, and other arts; (5) assist students ordinarily resident in British Columbia in the pursuit of their studies in drama, the visual arts, music, literature, handicrafts, and other arts; (6) co-operate with organizations having similar objects.

Mr. Speaker ruled the notice of motion out of order under Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public money and tending to dictate Government policy.

Mr. *Brett* moved, seconded by Mr. *Turner*,—

Whereas the volume of water-borne traffic on the coast of British Columbia is of considerable magnitude, involving many millions of dollars worth of equipment, the transportation of hundreds of thousands of persons annually, and employs some 20,000 men and women:

And whereas the incidence of accidents involving considerable loss of life and property has risen to an alarming rate in recent years:

And whereas no efficient organization for the protection of such lives and property has been established on the British Columbia coast:

Therefore be it Resolved, That a petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that His Honour will cause representations to be made to the Dominion Government that, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable to establish an adequate Pacific coast-guard service with men and life-saving equipment so stationed at points on the coast-line as to extend the utmost protection to lives in peril through marine disasters in coastal waters.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Morrow* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Cates*,—

To delete the last paragraph, and to substitute therefor the following:—

“Therefore be it Resolved, That this House request this Government to do everything possible to assure that adequate measures be taken to deal with the problem posed by the facts set out in the preamble.”

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

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

Whereas it has been shown in this House by the Minister of Agriculture that, due to excessive handling charges by the middleman, both the farmer and the consumer are suffering from the high cost of living:

And whereas the Minister was of the opinion that this whole question warranted a thorough investigation:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislature recommends to the Government the advisability of holding an inquiry to investigate the present system of distribution of foodstuffs with a view to making recommendations for changes in such methods as will be of mutual benefit to producer and consumer alike.

Mr. Speaker ruled the notice of motion out of order under Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public money and tending to dictate Government policy.

Mr. *Johnson* rose to a point of order with reference to the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Guthrie*:—

Whereas it is becoming more and more difficult for elderly persons to be absorbed into the useful productive life of this country, making it difficult for them to maintain themselves in comfort and decency:

And whereas Canada is a country largely endowed with natural resources capable of maintaining our population in a reasonably high standard of living:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the advisability of recommending to the Dominion Government a policy which will abolish the means test and lower the present pensionable age-limit for old-age pensioners from 70 years to 65 years to the end that the older generation may be retired earlier from industrial employment and thereby create opportunity for the younger generation to be usefully and gainfully employed and that such a policy be assisted by compulsory contributions by all employed persons between the ages of 20 years and 65 years.

Mr. Speaker ruled the notice of motion out of order under Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public money and tending to dictate Government policy.

Mr. *Johnson* rose to a point of order with reference to the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Turner*:—

Be it Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that the Government should take under advisement the calling of a Provincial-municipal conference to consider all phases of Provincial-municipal relations and in particular to consider (a) readjustment of financial responsibilities, (b) reaching agreement of percentages of Provincial revenues to be paid municipal governments for their own use, (c) deciding upon a uniform assessment system for school and other taxation purposes, and (d) establishing a permanent board to correlate Provincial-municipal activities and to act as a liaison between the two fields of government.

And be it further Resolved, That the Government give consideration to having at the suggested aforementioned conference the following: (a) Representatives of the Departments of Municipal Affairs, Provincial Secretary, Education, and Attorney-General; (b) representatives from the Legislature's private members; (c) representatives of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities; (d) representatives of incorporated cities; (e) representatives of the British Columbia Federation of Agriculture; and (f) representatives of the British Columbia School Trustees' Association.

Mr. Speaker ruled the notice of motion out of order under Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public money and tending to dictate Government policy.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 p.m.

Thursday, March 24th, 1949.

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

On the motion that Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to promote the Industrial Development of the Province" be now read a third time, a debate arose.

Mr. *H. E. Winch* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Gargrave*,—

That on third reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to promote the Industrial Development of the Province" the motion "that the Bill be now read a third time" be amended by striking out all words after "be" and substituting therefor the following: "Read six months hence."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Quinn</i>	<i>Corsbie</i>	<i>McInnis</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>
<i>Brett</i>	<i>Rowland</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	
<i>Turner</i>	<i>Guthrie</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>	

NAYS—34.

Messieurs

<i>Browne-Clayton</i>	<i>Morrow</i>	<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Rolston, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>	<i>Weir</i>
<i>Ash</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Johnson, B. I.</i>	<i>Straith</i>
<i>MacDougall</i>	<i>Love</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Eyres</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Pearson</i>	<i>Carson, E. C.</i>
<i>Stevenson</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>MacDonald</i>
<i>Johnson, W. J.</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Cates</i>	<i>Putnam</i>
<i>Welch</i>	<i>Hodges, Mrs.</i>	<i>Beard</i>	
<i>McDonell</i>	<i>Carson, R. H.</i>	<i>Hope</i>	

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion that Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921,'" be now a read a third time, a debate arose.

Mr. *H. E. Winch* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Turner*,—

That Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921,'" be amended by adding as section 16 the following:—

"16. Said chapter 55 is further amended by inserting therein the following as section 336C:—

"336C. It shall be lawful for the Council in making any collective agreement with employees of the city in respect of which the Council has jurisdiction and who are represented by a labour organization as bargaining agent to insert in such agreement

a provision requiring, as a condition of employment, membership in such labour organization or a preference of employment to members of such labour organization.'"

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—17.

Messieurs

<i>Ash</i>	<i>Corsbie</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Rowland</i>	<i>McInnis</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>
<i>Quinn</i>	<i>Guthrie</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	<i>Hodges, Mrs.</i>
<i>Brett</i>	<i>Johnson, W. J.</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Wismer</i>
<i>Turner</i>			

NAYS—29.

Messieurs

<i>Browne-Clayton</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>	<i>Rolston, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Love</i>	<i>Johnson, B. I.</i>	<i>Weir</i>
<i>MacDougall</i>	<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Pearson</i>	<i>Straith</i>
<i>Stevenson</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Eyres</i>
<i>Laird</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Cates</i>	<i>Carson, E. C.</i>
<i>Welch</i>	<i>Carson, R. H.</i>	<i>Beard</i>	<i>MacDonald</i>
<i>McDonell</i>	<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Hope</i>	<i>Putnam</i>
<i>Morrow</i>			

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Whereas by Order in Council 251/38 governing "Hospital Act" regulations, section 5 (a) and (b):—

"(a) No person may attend or treat patients who are inmates of a hospital, or in any way avail himself of the facilities for medical practice in such hospital, unless he is a member in good standing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia, or being a member of some other medical association, is vouched for by a member of the College, and unless he holds a permit from the Board of Management to practise medicine in that hospital:

"(b) The Board may at any time and from time to time, and without assigning therefor any reason, refuse, alter, modify, suspend, revoke, or cancel any permit applied for from or issued by it, and may again renew the same":

And whereas such regulations are discriminatory against legalized practitioners of osteopathic, naturopathic, and chiropractic treatment who are not members of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia or of some other medical association vouched for by a member of the College:

And whereas under the existing regulations persons under treatment by such aforesaid practitioners are thereby denied the benefits of hospital facilities:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House recommends to the consideration of the Government the desirability of amending the foregoing regulations in the following manner:—

That section 5 (a) of the "Hospital Act" regulations as now constituted be cancelled and re-enacted as follows:—

"(a) No person may attend or treat patients who are inmates of a hospital, or in any way avail himself of the facilities for medical practice in such

hospital, unless he is a member in good standing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia, or being a member of some other medical association, is vouched for by a member of the college, or is a member in good standing of the osteopathic, naturopathic, or chiropractic professions, and unless he holds a permit from the Board of Management to practise medicine or the remedial treatment of human ailment in that hospital”:

And that section 5 (b) be amended by adding, after the concluding word “same,” the words “any practitioner legalized to treat human ailment denied use of hospital facilities may appeal to the Provincial Secretary, whose decision shall be final.”

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

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

Whereas the Provincial Legislature on March 26th, 1947, by motion approved urging the Federal Government to call a conference for the purpose of dealing with the security measures as outlined by the Federal Government in 1945 at the Dominion-Provincial Conference:

And whereas no conference has been held and no evidence forthcoming demonstrating the intention of the Federal Government to live up to the commitments the Provinces were led to believe would be implemented following the signing of taxation agreements:

And whereas failure of the Federal Government to call a conference and implement the 1945 proposals retards Provincial progress and expansion and places an unfair monetary burden on Provincial treasuries in the light of the taxation privileges granted the Federal Government under the taxation agreement:

Be it therefore Resolved, That this House regrets the failure of the Federal Government to call a Dominion-Provincial Conference to deal with the fulfilment of the 1945 proposals.

And be it further Resolved, That this House do urge through the Premier upon the Dominion Government the necessity of calling an early conference for the purpose of implementing mutually acceptable conclusions relative to social security measures.

And be it still further Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that should a conference not be called within a reasonable time steps should be taken by the Provincial Government to notify the Federal Government that British Columbia will insist upon a more equitable arrangement before agreeing to any extension of the present agreement and failing a satisfactory arrangement will not sign a new one.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

FIVE MINUTES PAST TWELVE O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Edwin Keary DeBeck, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

- (No. 1) An Act to amend the “Supreme Court Act.”
- (No. 2) An Act to amend the “Pre-emptors’ Free Grants Act.”
- (No. 3) An Act to amend the “Grazing Act.”
- (No. 4) An Act to amend the “Small Debts Courts Act.”

- (No. 5) An Act relating to the Kelowna War Memorial Arena.
- (No. 6) An Act to amend the "Pound District Act."
- (No. 7) An Act to amend the "Beef Cattle Producers' Assistance Act."
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the "Horned Cattle Purchases Act."
- (No. 9) An Act to amend the "Stock-brands Act."
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Police and Prisons Regulation Act."
- (No. 11) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- (No. 12) An Act to amend the "Land Registry Act."
- (No. 13) An Act to amend the "Savings and Loan Associations Act."
- (No. 14) An Act to amend the "Apprenticeship Act."
- (No. 15) An Act to amend the "New Westminster Parks Act, 1908."
- (No. 16) An Act to amend the "Trust Companies Act."
- (No. 17) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."
- (No. 18) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Act."
- (No. 19) An Act to provide for the Development of the Central Interior of British Columbia.
- (No. 20) An Act to borrow the Sum of Thirty-eight million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.
- (No. 21) An Act respecting Flood-control in the Okanagan Valley.
- (No. 22) An Act to amend the "Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928."
- (No. 23) An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures.
- (No. 24) An Act respecting Trans-Canada Highways.
- (No. 25) An Act to amend the "Electric Power Act."
- (No. 26) An Act to amend the "Horse-racing Regulation Act."
- (No. 27) An Act to grant certain Powers to the City of Vancouver.
- (No. 28) An Act to amend the "Mechanics' Lien Act."
- (No. 29) An Act to amend the "Evidence Act."
- (No. 30) An Act respecting the Institution known as "New Haven."
- (No. 31) An Act to amend the "Wife's Protection Act."
- (No. 32) An Act to amend the "Summary Convictions Act."
- (No. 33) An Act to amend the "Highway Act."
- (No. 34) An Act to amend the "Moratorium Act."
- (No. 35) An Act to amend the "Game Act."
- (No. 36) An Act to confirm the Special Survey of the Townsite of Port Moody.
- (No. 37) An Act to amend the "Contributory Negligence Act."
- (No. 38) An Act to amend the "Water Act."
- (No. 40) An Act to amend the "Department of Health and Welfare Act."
- (No. 41) An Act to amend the "Boiler Inspection Act."
- (No. 42) An Act to amend the "Electrical Energy Inspection Act."
- (No. 43) An Act to amend the "Provincial Elections Act."
- (No. 44) An Act to amend the "Legal Professions Act."
- (No. 45) An Act relating to The Corporation of the District of Kent and certain Drainage and Dyking Works within the Municipality of Kent.
- (No. 46) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act."
- (No. 47) An Act to impose a Tax on the Income of certain Corporations.
- (No. 48) An Act relating to the City of Chilliwack and the Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack and to certain Dyking-works within the Township of Chilliwack.
- (No. 50) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921."
- (No. 51) An Act to amend the "Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902."

- (No. 52) An Act to impose certain Building Restrictions in certain Portions of District Lot 550, in the City of North Vancouver, which front on Grand Boulevard in said City.
- (No. 61) An Act to amend the "Municipal Superannuation Act."
- (No. 62) An Act to amend the "Civil Service Superannuation Act."
- (No. 63) An Act to amend the "Greater Victoria Water District Act."
- (No. 64) An Act to amend the "Taxation Act."
- (No. 65) An Act to amend the "Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act."
- (No. 66) An Act to promote the Industrial Development of the Province.
- (No. 67) An Act to amend the "Arbitration Act."
- (No. 68) An Act respecting Settlement of Claims of Contractors on the Construction of the John Hart Highway.
- (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Line Fences Act."
- (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Consumer Credit Act."
- (No. 71) An Act to amend the "Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act."
- (No. 72) An Act to amend the "Protection of Children Act."
- (No. 73) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Act."
- (No. 74) An Act to amend the "Municipalities Incorporation Act."
- (No. 75) An Act to amend the "Local Improvement Act."
- (No. 76) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act."
- (No. 77) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act."
- (No. 78) An Act respecting Oleomargarine.
- (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Constitution Act."
- (No. 80) An Act to amend the "Trustee Act."
- (No. 81) An Act to amend the "Dairy Industry Act."
- (No. 82) An Act to provide for Fixed Annual Assessments for the Years 1950 to 1953, inclusive, of certain Lands within the Limits of the Township of Richmond used for the Purposes of an Airport.

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

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

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

Then Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In relieving you of your labours I desire to express my appreciation for the consideration you have given to the business of the Legislature.

The provisions made for the extension of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, power-development, irrigation, highway-construction, and other necessary public works undoubtedly will make an important contribution to the industrial growth of the Province.

It is with gratification that I note the arrangements that have been made to enable the University of British Columbia to proceed with its building programme and the measures enacted to relieve and equalize the incidence of taxation for educational purposes within the rural areas.

I thank you for the adequate provision you have made for the public services.

Upon the conclusion of this Session I trust the blessing of Divine Providence will accompany you to your homes.

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, Provincial Secretary, then said:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

JOHN HART, *Speaker*.

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