

Tuesday, February 14th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *William A. Williams*.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*—Bill (No. 27) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*—Bill (No. 17) intituled *An Act to Repeal the Centennial Celebration Act*.

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 Mr. *Murray*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Dowding*, Bill (No. 30) intituled *An Act for the Recognition and Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* presented the following papers:—

Report of the Civil Service Commission, Province of British Columbia, from January 1st to December 31st, 1960.

Annual Report of the Department of Municipal Affairs for the year ended December 31st, 1960.

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* presented the Report of the Lands Service for the year ended December 31st, 1960.

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

With reference to the following list of individuals and companies: J. & M. Construction Company, Michael Moran, Lloyd Jordan, Fritz Jordan, R. H. Miller, Reg. Pearen Limited, Jordan Construction Company, R. & L. Construction Company, L. & M. Logging Limited, Union Contractors, Burton Lymburner, Clyde Thornton, Bonanza Construction, Continental Contractors Limited, Mid City Construction Company, Gresty Brothers Limited, Vincent Lawrence Gresty, E. J. Gresty, Hemlock Equipment Limited, Ben Ginter Construction Company, Ben Ginter Construction Company, 1958, Limited, Atlas Construction Limited, Western Sand & Gravel Limited, E. V. Merrick, Esq., G. A. Fennings, Esq., R. M. W. Brigoliss, Esq., Henry George Garfield, Esq., Windsor Construction Company, North River Construction Company, McClay Construction Limited, Casco Tire Company, A. H. Cassidy, Esq., C. E. Cosens, Esq., Perini Pacific Limited, Midwest

Construction Company, Circle Construction Company, Cleaveley Construction Company, A. Cleaveley, Esq., Merit Construction Company, and View Construction Company:—

1. Has the Department of Highways paid any moneys to any or all of them since January 28th, 1960?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, in each case, in what total amount?

3. In the case of the companies, have any contracts been awarded to them on bids received during the relevant period?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the affirmative, in each instance, what was the original bid received and what was the total amount paid to the company on completion of the contract?

5. In the case of the individuals, for what specific services were the moneys paid?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Reg. Pearen Limited, \$191,609.22; R. & L. Construction Company, \$9,559; Continental Contractors Limited, \$71,926.01; Ben Ginter Construction Company, \$1,522,528.11; Atlas Construction Limited, \$240,669.59; Western Sand & Gravel Limited, \$9,894.98; Windsor Construction Company, \$600,007.84; McClay Construction Limited, \$5,214.51; Casco Tire Company, \$23,882.81; Perini Pacific Limited, \$3,576,894.23; Midwest Construction Company, \$31,067.25; Circle Construction Company, \$678.46; Cleaveley Construction Company, \$161,678.56; Merit Construction Company, \$23,882.75; and View Construction Company, \$553,743.46.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. Windsor Construction, Project No. 1031, Vancouver–Blaine Highway, Ladner Trunk Road–Mud Bay section (4.80 miles), original bid \$1,439,441.80 (contract not completed). View Construction, Project No. 1100, S.T.P.H. Construction, Summit Lake–Blazed Creek section, Nelson–Creston Electoral District, original bid \$1,508,183.80 (contract not completed). View Construction, Project No. 1104, T.C.H. Reconstruction, Yoho Park Boundary–Park Bridge section, original bid \$470,438.50 (contract not completed). Ben Ginter, Project No. 1127, N.T.P.H. Construction, Dome Creek–Crescent Spur section, clearing and grubbing, Station 53+80 to Station 819+01.2=296+61.6, Station 296+61.6 to Station 0+00 (20.10 miles), original bid \$317,040 (contract not completed). Ben Ginter, Project No. 322, N.T.P.H., Boulder Creek Bridge (Contract No. 1—General), original bid \$22,044.40 (contract not completed). Perini Pacific, Project No. S-0260, bituminous surfacing, 1960/61, Contract S-0260, Highway No. 99, King George Highway, International Boundary, New McLelland Road section, original bid \$338,960 (amount of completed contract, \$453,379.41).

“ 5. None paid to individuals.”

Mr. *Hobbs* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Were any employees of the Department of Highways paid overtime work during the calendar year 1960?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many were so paid and at what rate or rates?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Time and one-half, 3,419, and straight time, 450.”

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

With reference to District Vote—Roads, how much was spent in each electoral district as at December 31st, 1960?

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

“Alberni, \$93,731.73; Atlin, North, \$95,758.24; Atlin, South, \$25,464.47; Burnaby, \$44,226.30; Cariboo, North, \$208,298.59; Cariboo, South, \$199,735.19; Chilliwack, \$52,205.04; Columbia, \$107,750; Comox, \$207,689.90; Cowichan-Newcastle, \$103,949.58; Cranbrook, \$144,534.31; Delta, \$105,354.66; Dewdney, \$148,691.41; Esquimalt, \$105,859.59; Fernie, \$97,264.93; Fort George, \$334,072.67; Grand Forks-Greenwood, \$127,264.76; Kamloops, \$231,323.71; Kaslo-Slocan, \$130,498.12; Lillooet, \$191,743.69; Lillooet, South, \$42,392.38; Mackenzie, \$131,414.30; Nanaimo-Islands, \$102,939.48; Nelson-Creston, \$239,860; New Westminster, \$1,017.24; North Vancouver, \$45,171.04; Oak Bay, *nil*; Okanagan, North, \$137,281.30; Okanagan, South, \$123,475; Omineca, East, \$141,777.40; Omineca, West, \$139,975.29; Peace River, North, \$134,563.68; Peace River, South, \$247,575.95; Prince Rupert, \$75,533.25; Revelstoke, \$130,786.22; Rossland-Trail, \$136,170.29; Saanich, \$62,805.25; Salmon Arm, \$100,242.22; Similkameen, \$181,767; Skeena, East, \$104,418.12; Skeena, West, \$113,884.43; Vancouver-Point Grey, \$6,774.57; and Yale, \$174,055.80.”

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

With reference to the written agreement made between the British Columbia Medical Association and the Provincial Government for the provision of medical services to recipients of Social Allowance:—

1. Was the clause which restricts medical services to those who remain on Social Allowance in excess of three months originally suggested by the British Columbia Medical Association or by the Government?

2. Did the clause apply to Social Allowance recipients who were granted Social Allowance because they were medically unemployable?

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

“1. Mutually agreed upon.

“2. Yes.”

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

1. What is the average monthly Provincial Government supplementary allowance per recipient paid in the following categories; (a) Old-age Assistance, (b) Blind Persons' Assistance, (c) Disabled Persons' Assistance, and (d) Old Age Security?

2. When was the last increase in allowances granted and by how much were they increased?

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

“1. (a) \$19.23 as at December 31st, 1960 (average), (b) \$24 as at December 31st, 1960 (average), (c) \$24 as at December 31st, 1960 (average), and (d) \$21.41 as at December 31st, 1960 (average).

“2. April 1st, 1960, 20 per cent increase.”

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

With reference to the written agreement made in 1958 between the Provincial Government and the British Columbia Medical Association for the provision of medical services to recipients of Social Allowance and to the Minister's answer recorded in the Journals of the House, page 62, 1959, which confirmed that these medical services were given to unemployed employables who remained on Social Allowance for a period in excess of three months:—

1. Have instructions been issued to Social Welfare offices to the effect that medical services are no longer to be granted to unemployed employables regardless of the length of time they receive Social Allowance?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, (a) on what date did the ruling go into effect and (b) did the ruling affect unemployed employables who had been in receipt of Social Allowance during the three-month period prior to this date?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, did any meeting or discussion take place between the Government or officials of the Social Welfare Branch and representatives of the British Columbia Medical Association to discuss the proposal to refuse medical services under the terms of the relevant agreement to unemployed employables?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the affirmative, (a) (i) who were the members of the British Columbia Medical Association who attended the meeting or discussion and (ii) what was the relevant date or dates of said meeting or discussion; (b) did the proposal to refuse medical services to unemployed employables come from the British Columbia Medical Association; and (c) if the answer to No. 4 (b) is in the negative, did the British Columbia Medical Association oppose the said proposal?

5. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, has the Government received any official representations from any organizations in the Province praising their action in refusing medical services to unemployed employables and, if so, which organizations?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) January 16th, 1961, and (b) no.

“ 3. Terms of agreement have been met.

“ 4. Answered by No. 3.

“ 5. No.”

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

1. (a) What was number of staff employed by Social Welfare Department as at April 1st, 1959, and (b) what was number of staff employed by Social Welfare Department as at December 31st, 1960?

2. How many persons were given in-service training in the Department of Social Welfare during fiscal year 1959/60 and during period April 1st, 1960, to December 31st, 1960?

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

“ 1. (a) 551 and (b) 573.

“ 2. Eighty-six (in seven introductory and five final group sessions) and forty-six (in three introductory and three final group sessions).”

Mr. *Brothers* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following questions:—

1. Did the Province of British Columbia once consider the development of the Columbia River basin by means of the so-called Dorr diversion plan?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, then (a) how many acres of land would have been inundated at maximum storage level, (b) how many acres of presently used arable land would have been inundated at maximum storage level, (c) how many acres of potentially usable arable land would have been inundated at maximum storage level, (d) how many persons would have been displaced at maximum storage level, (e) how many homes would require to have been purchased to store water at its maximum height, and (f) what would have been the estimated cost of purchasing private property and homes to store water at its maximum height?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, then would the fishing and hunting area in the East Kootenay be adversely affected and would the area which would have been inundated contain much wildlife?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. The estimates that follow are for the Dorr-Bull River-Luxor project which is required to achieve the Dorr diversion; (a) approximately 91,000 acres, (b) estimates vary from 10,000 acres to 15,000 acres, (c) estimates vary from 50,000 acres to 60,000 acres, (d) about 1,600 persons, (e) about 445 occupied homes and thirty-four unoccupied, and (f) approximately \$7,100,000.

“ 3. Yes.”

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

1. What is the cost to the Government for the standard pair of glasses supplied to social assistance recipients?

2. What was the total cost to the Government for glasses supplied to social assistance recipients classed as unemployed employables for the fiscal year 1959/60?

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

“ 1. \$14 to \$19.

“ 2. The cost to Government for employables and unemployables 1959/60, \$64,043.04.”

Mr. *Hobbs* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to Project 779, contract awarded to Ben Ginter Construction Company, Kamloops, reference page J 89, Highways Department Report, 1956/57:—

1. Has the project been completed?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the total amount paid the Ginter Construction Company for the project?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is no, (a) what is the total amount paid to the Ginter Construction Company to date and (b) how many miles have been constructed to date?

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

“ 1. No.

“ 2. Answered by No. 1.

“ 3. (a) \$1,441,770.47 and (b) 12.91.”

Mr. *Brothers* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to the highway link presently under construction known as the Cascade-Kinnaird Highway:—

1. What is the total mileage involved?
2. What mileage is now completed, except for hard surfacing?
3. Is the total mileage now completed or under contract?
4. Is it the intention to hard surface any of this highway in 1961 and, if yes, how many miles?
5. When is it anticipated that the highway will be completed, including hard surfacing, and open for traffic?
6. How many bridges will be required to be constructed on this highway?
7. Is there a major bridge project pending on this highway?
8. Is the contract let for construction of this bridge and, if yes, to whom?
9. If not, when is it expected to be let and what is the estimated cost?
10. What has been (a) survey, (b) construction, and (c) right-of-way purchase costs to date?
11. What is the anticipated final cost of the said highway?
12. When is it anticipated that the Kinnaird Interchange will be constructed?
13. When is it anticipated that the new Columbia River Bridge will be constructed?
14. When is it anticipated the contracts will be called for the construction of the bridge across Christina Creek?

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

- “ 1. 45.8 miles.
- “ 2. 43 miles approximately.
- “ 3. No.
- “ 4. Yes; 40 miles.
- “ 5. 1962.
- “ 6. Two.
- “ 7. Yes.
- “ 8. No.
- “ 9. 1961; estimates not indicated prior to tender.
- “ 10. (a) \$205,524, (b) \$8,424,743, and (c) \$27,606.
- “ 11. \$12,500,000.
- “ 12. Not determined.
- “ 13. Not determined.
- “ 14. 1961.”

Mrs. *Mather* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With respect to the Boys' Industrial School:—

1. What was the total number of boys held as at December 31st, 1960?
2. What was the total number of staff employed as at December 31st, 1960?
3. What was the total number of social workers employed as at December 31st, 1960?

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

- “ 1. One hundred and fifty-nine.
- “ 2. Sixty-seven in the Social Welfare Department plus nine under the Public Works Department.
- “ 3. Three.”

Mr. *Brothers* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to the highway link presently under construction known as the Salmo—Creston Cut-off:—

1. What is the total mileage involved?
2. Have contracts been let for the complete highway, except for black-topping?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, how many miles are still to be let and when will the contracts be called?
4. When will the highway be completed, less hard surfacing, and able to handle traffic?
5. When will the highway be completed with hard surfacing?
6. Will it be necessary to construct bridges on this highway and, if so, how many and when is it anticipated that the contracts will be called?
7. What is the anticipated total cost of this highway?

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

- “ 1. 41.9 miles.
- “ 2. Yes.
- “ 3. Answered by No. 1.
- “ 4. Late 1962 or early 1963.
- “ 5. 1963.
- “ 6. Yes; four—one completed, one nearly complete, and two to be called in 1961.
- “ 7. \$12,000,000.”

Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following question:—

With reference to the agreement between the Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation and the Provincial Government referred to in the Journals of the House, page 65, 1960, does the Provincial Government still retain the company's deposit in its care in the form of Pacific Great Eastern Railway bonds or in any other form?

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

“At the company's request, its investment in Pacific Great Eastern Railway bonds remains in the safe-keeping of the Department of Finance.”

Mr. *McKay* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to the bridge being built over the Elk River on Highway No. 93 near Roosville (Bridge Project No. 292):—

1. Was any trouble encountered in establishing proper bridge footings at the site of the said bridge?
2. If the answer to the above is yes, (a) what was the nature of the trouble, (b) what additional cost, if any, will be involved in excess of the original contract price, (c) what firm is responsible for the engineering on this project, and (d) is the added cost, if any, the responsibility of the Government or the contractors?

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

- “ 1. No abnormal trouble encountered.
- “ 2. (a) Pile driving was more difficult than was anticipated and confirmatory load tests on piles were necessitated, (b) not yet determined but if any additional cost involved same will be nominal only, (c) bridge branch of the Department of Highways, and (d) the Government.”

Mr. *Brothers* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following questions:—

1. Is the Province of British Columbia considering the construction of the High Arrow Dam through the B.C. Power Commission or otherwise?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, then (a) how many acres of land will be inundated at maximum storage level, (b) how many acres of presently used arable land will be inundated at maximum storage level, (c) how many acres of potentially usable arable land will be inundated at maximum storage level, (d) how many persons will be displaced at maximum storage level, (e) how many homes will have to be purchased to store water at its maximum height, and (f) what is the estimated cost of purchasing private property and homes to store water at its maximum height?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. The estimates which follow are based on a survey using a flowage ‘ take ’ elevation of 1,460 feet; this elevation is 14 feet higher than the proposed reservoir elevation; hence the estimates given would be considerably less if only an area to the proposed flooding elevation of 1,446 feet is considered; (a) approximately 40,000 acres, (b) estimates vary from 4,150 acres to 5,900 acres, (c) estimates vary from 15,000 acres to 20,000 acres, (d) about 1,600 persons, (e) about 470 occupied homes and sixty-six unoccupied, and (f) approximately \$6,800,000.”

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

Since the signing of the Federal-Provincial agreement with respect to the Stewart-Cassiar Road:—

1. What is the total value of contracts let?

2. What is now estimated as the total cost involved in completing this highway?

3. Of the total cost, what portion will be paid by the Federal Government?

4. What is the estimated date for completion?

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

“ 1. \$4,787,728.60.

“ 2. Agreement with Canada is for \$15,000,000.

“ 3. \$7,500,000 under existing contract.

“ 4. Agreement with Federal Government allows until March 31st, 1963, with right of extension to 1964, if agreeable to both Governments.”

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

With respect to the Trans-Canada Highway:—

1. What is the present total of money expended and contracts let?

2. To date what total sum has been received from the Federal Government under the Federal-Provincial agreement?

3. What is now the estimated final cost for this highway?

4. What is the estimated date for completion?

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

“ 1. (a) \$175,123,950.30 and (b) 310.

“ 2. \$74,719,461.51.

“ 3. \$235,000,000.

“ 4. December 31st, 1963.”

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

With reference to foster-home applicants:—

1. Were any foster-home applications received in 1960 and, if so, how many?
2. Were any foster homes approved in 1960 and, if so, how many?
3. Were any foster-home applicants refused children for foster care in 1960?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, how many were refused and for what reason?
5. Is psychiatric consultation available through the Social Welfare Branch to review applications for foster-home care?

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

- “ 1. Yes; statistics for 1959/60, 477.
- “ 2. Yes; statistics for 1959/60, 481.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. Statistics are not kept.
- “ 5. No; it is not general social-work practice to use psychiatric consultation in assessing foster-home applicants.”

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

With reference to unemployed employables receiving social assistance as at December 31st, 1960:—

1. What was the total number?
2. How many were classified as (a) heads of families, (b) dependents, and (c) single?
3. What was the total number of (a) heads of families and (b) single recipients of Social Allowance who were also receiving unemployment insurance?

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

- “ 1, 2, and 3. Information not available.”

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

1. Were any individuals given in-service training by the Social Welfare Branch training division during 1960?
2. If so, how many?

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

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. Sixty-nine (in four introductory and five final group sessions).”

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

1. What was the total number of staff employed by the Social Welfare Branch as at December 31st, 1960?
2. What was the total number of staff in the Social Welfare Branch field service as at December 31st, 1960?
3. How many of field service staff held B.S.W. or M.S.W. degrees?

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

- “ 1. Five hundred and seventy-three (includes administration and institutional staffs).
- “ 2. Two hundred and seventy-eight (195 social workers; eighty-three clerks).
- “ 3. Sixty-eight.”

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

With respect to social workers employed by the Social Welfare Branch as at December 31st, 1960:—

1. How many were (a) Grade 1 and (b) Grade 2 social workers?
2. How many Grade 1 social workers had practical experience of less than (a) one year, (b) two years, (c) three years, (d) four years, and (e) five years in social work?
3. How many Grade 2 social workers had practical experience of less than (a) one year, (b) two years, (c) three years, (d) four years, and (e) five years in social work?

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

- “ 1. (a) Eighty-four and (b) 102.
- “ 2. (a) Thirty-one, (b) thirty-one, (c) twenty-two, (d) and (e) eligible for reclassification to Social Worker—Grade 2 after successful completion of three years' service.
- “ 3. (a) Five, (b) three, (c) nine, (d) twenty-one, and (e) fifteen.”

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

What were the total case loads by regions in the Social Welfare Branch as at December 31st, 1960?

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

“ Region 1, 12,192; Region 2, 32,401 (includes case loads carried by social workers in the Old-age Assistance Board office as well as cases carried by clerical staff in the City of Vancouver); Region 3, 9,077; Region 4, 5,914; Region 5, 5,521; Region 6, 10,972; Region 7, 2,997.”

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

What was the total number of social workers in the Social Welfare Branch, by regions, as at December 31st, 1960?

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

“ Region 1, thirty-two; Region 2, fifty-two; Region 3, twenty-four; Region 4, twenty-five; Region 5, twenty-one; Region 6, twenty-eight; and Region 7, thirteen.”

Mrs. *Mather* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With respect to the Girls' Industrial School:—

1. What was the total number of girls held as at December 31st, 1960?
2. What was the total number of staff employed as at December 31st, 1960?
3. What was the total number of social workers employed as at December 31st, 1960?

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

- “ 1. Seventy-one.
- “ 2. Fifty.
- “ 3. Total number of social workers employed, three (including the Superintendent).”

Mr. *Brothers* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to the highway link presently under construction known as Rossland-Sheep Lake Cut-off:—

1. What is the total mileage involved?
2. Have contracts been let for the complete highway, except for black-topping?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, how many miles are still to be let and when will the contracts be called?
4. When will the highway be completed, less hard surfacing, and able to handle traffic?
5. When will the highway be completed with hard surfacing?
6. What is the anticipated total cost of the highway?

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

- “ 1. 17.8 miles.
- “ 2. No.
- “ 3. 12.7 miles; not determined.
- “ 4. Answered by No. 3.
- “ 5. Answered by No. 3.
- “ 6. \$2,800,000.”

Mr. *Carnell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Has the Provincial Department of Highways taken over operation of any part of the Alaska Highway?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what mileage is involved, (b) where is it located in relation to Mile 0 at Dawson Creek, and (c) is it the intention to raise the speed-limit on certain sections of the highway to 60 miles per hour?

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

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) Approximately 52 miles, (b) Dawson Creek to Charlie Lake, and (c) this increase is being considered.”

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

With reference to the Surrey Social Welfare Department:—

1. What is the total number of employees?
2. How many of the employees are paid salaries by (a) the Provincial Government and (b) the Municipality of Surrey?
3. How many of the employees are (a) field staff and (b) office staff?
4. Do any of the employees have either B.S.W. or M.S.W. degrees and, if so, how many?

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

- “ 1. Twenty full-time and one part-time employees.
- “ 2. (a) Five and one-half and (b) fifteen.
- “ 3. (a) Twelve (ten social workers, one municipal administrator, and one Provincial supervisor) and (b) eight full time and one part time (four stenographers, two file and mailing clerks, plus an accounts department with one book-keeper, one clerk, and one part-time clerk).
- “ 4. Yes; the Provincial supervisor has a B.S.W.”

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

With reference to Social Allowance applications being taken in Provincial and municipal offices:—

1. Are clerks being used instead of social workers in any offices in the Province to interview applicants and, if so, in which offices?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, do the said clerks undergo the usual Social Welfare Branch in-service training course?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is in the negative, do the said clerks undergo any formal type of social-work training?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the negative, what form of training, if any, do these clerks undergo and what, if any, is the duration of training?

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

“ 1. Yes; City of Vancouver employs nine social-work assistants.

“ 2. No.

“ 3. No.

“ 4. Short orientation course given which includes interviewing techniques, recording, eligibility study, and other practical aids related to the specific job; also, assistants attend staff meetings and attend university extension courses through the School of Social Work.”

Mrs. *Mather* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. Were any children who are wards of the Superintendent of Child Welfare awaiting entry to The Woodlands School as at December 31st, 1960?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how are these retarded children cared for, (b) for what length of time have these retarded children been awaiting entry, and (c) how many of these children were awaiting entry at December 31st, 1960?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) In foster homes, (b) two years, and (c) two.”

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

Is a psychiatric evaluation made on all foster and adoptive parents before placement of children?

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

“ No; this is not general social-work practice.”

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

What percentage and how many of the total number of Social Allowance cases remained on Social Allowance for a period of three months or less in the fiscal years of (a) 1956, (b) 1957, (c) 1958, (d) 1959, and the calendar year of 1960?

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

“ Information not available.”

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

With reference to unemployed employables in receipt of Social Allowance on the following dates: December 31st, 1959, and January 31st, February 29th, March 31st, April 30th, May 31st, June 30th, July 31st, August 31st, September 30th, October 31st, November 30th, and December 31st, 1960:—

1. On each date, what was the total number?
2. On each date, how many were (a) heads of families, (b) single persons, and (c) dependents?
3. On each date, how many of the heads of families held medical identity cards covering themselves and dependents?
4. On each date, how many single persons held medical identity cards?
5. What was the total cost to the Government of medical services for unemployed employables between December 31st, 1959, and December 31st, 1960?

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

“ 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Information not available.”

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

With respect to the number of social workers employed by the Social Welfare Branch as at December 31st, 1960:—

1. What was the total number employed?
2. How many of the total number employed held B.S.W. or M.S.W. degrees?
3. How many were employed in the field exclusive of administrators and supervisors?
4. How many of those in No. 3 were not in possession of B.S.W. or M.S.W. degrees?

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

“ 1. Two hundred and thirty-eight.

“ 2. Ninety-six.

“ 3. One hundred and seventy.

“ 4. One hundred and thirty-three.”

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

With reference to Consolidated Services Limited, C. D. Schultz & Company Limited, and C. D. Schultz Appraisal Company Limited:—

1. What contracts, if any, have been given to any of these companies for work under the jurisdiction of the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources since May 29th, 1958?
2. Have any moneys been paid to any of these companies since May 29th, 1958, for any work under the jurisdiction of the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources and, if so, in what amounts?

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

“ 1. None.

“ 2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Does the Government discount bills submitted by members of the medical profession for services rendered to social welfare cases?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how is it determined and (b) what is the discount percentage?

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

“ 1. No.

“ 2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, February 15th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. I. Avery*.

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 Mr. *Speare*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

With respect to bond issues for school construction:—

1. Were any bond issues authorized by the Government in 1960 and, if so, in what total amount for each year?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, what was the total amount of these bonds floated?

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

“ 1. Yes; \$31,000,000 in 1960.

“ 2. \$31,000,000.”

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

Since introduction of the *Assessment Equalization Act*, what has been the effective increase in taxes per acre on lands used exclusively for farming in the following municipalities: (a) Richmond, (b) Surrey, (c) Langley, and (d) Delta?

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

“ This information available only from the municipalities which levy the taxes.”

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

In each year 1952 to 1960, inclusive, what were the total assessments in the Province on land used exclusively for farming and located in unorganized territory?

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

“ Total farm land assessment: 1952, \$48,139,980; 1953, \$48,559,520; 1954, \$48,904,253; 1955, \$51,985,009; 1956, \$52,819,544; 1957, \$52,486,290; 1958, \$51,981,954; 1959, \$52,135,218; and 1960, \$51,089,243.”

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

In each school district in the Province which has rural components, what were the total sums collectable under the *Public Schools Act* in each rural component for the school budget year of 1960?

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

“ Unorganized rural component of the following school districts and 1960 school requisition: No. 1, Fernie, \$163,823; No. 2, Cranbrook, \$111,284; No. 3, Kimberley, \$230,823; No. 4, Windermere, \$78,622; No. 5, Creston, \$181,758; No. 6, Kootenay Lake, \$43,425; No. 7, Nelson, \$291,156; No. 8, Slocan, \$96,461; No. 9, Castlegar, \$187,314; No. 10, Arrow Lakes, \$69,553; No. 11, Trail, \$245,406; No. 12, Grand Forks, \$65,875; No. 13, Kettle Valley, \$58,883; No. 14, South Okanagan, \$138,435; No. 15, Penticton, \$59,304; No. 16, Keremeos, \$44,910; No. 17, Princeton, \$43,753; No. 18, Golden, \$47,662; No. 19, Revelstoke, \$59,623; No. 20, Salmon Arm, \$109,627; No. 21, Armstrong-Spallumcheen, \$6; No. 22, Vernon, \$106,137; No. 23, Kelowna, \$336,038; No. 24, Kamloops, \$463,452; No. 25, Barriere, \$47,053; No. 26, Birch Island, \$88,379; No. 27, Williams Lake, \$204,436; No. 28, Quesnel, \$195,110; No. 29, Lillooet, \$372,721; No. 30, South Cariboo, \$124,496; No. 31, Merritt, \$99,478; No. 32, Fraser Canyon, \$119,612; No. 33, Chilliwack, \$97,984; No. 34, Abbotsford, \$5,123; No. 36, Surrey, \$3,485; No. 38, Richmond, \$242; No. 40, New Westminster, \$27,919; No. 42, Maple Ridge, \$13,375; No. 43, Coquitlam, \$251,035; No. 44, North Vancouver, \$810; No. 45, West Vancouver, \$113; No. 46, Sechelt, \$354,085; No. 47, Powell River, \$155,139; No. 48, Howe Sound, \$362,123; No. 49, Ocean Falls, \$315,065; No. 50, Queen Charlotte, \$46,818; No. 51, Portland Canal, \$6,342; No. 52, Prince Rupert, \$313,041; No. 53, Terrace, \$73,497; No. 54, Smithers, \$45,688; No. 55, Burns Lake, \$67,396; No. 56, Vanderhoof, \$56,702; No. 57, Prince George, \$339,486; No. 58, McBride, \$77,330; No. 59, Peace River South, \$189,974; No. 60, Peace River North, \$378,809; No. 61, Greater Victoria, \$70,791; No. 62, Sooke, \$337,788; No. 63, Saanich, \$122,388; No. 64, Gulf Islands, \$129,533; No. 65, Cowichan, \$203,973; No. 66, Lake Cowichan, \$310,928; No. 67, Ladysmith, \$98,767; No. 68, Nanaimo, \$721,877; No. 69, Qualicum, \$129,122; No. 70, Alberni, \$154,546; No. 71, Courtenay, \$237,849; No. 72, Campbell River, \$433,214; No. 73, Alert Bay, \$128,337; No. 74, Quatsino, \$239,108; No. 75, Mission, \$65,781; No. 76, Agassiz, \$53,152; No. 77, Summerland, \$5,579; No. 78, Enderby, \$34,638; No. 79, Ucluelet-Tofino, \$32,064; No. 81, Fort Nelson, \$14,782; and No. 82, Chilcotin, \$10,049.

“ The following unattached school districts and 1960 school requisition: Atlin, \$2,587; Bamfield, \$3,417; Butedale, \$2,179; Esperanza, \$562; Kyuquot, \$1,515; Lower Post, \$429; McDame Creek, \$24,640; Muchalat, \$5,135; Sarita River, \$6,109; Tahsis River, \$34,593; Telegraph Creek, \$611; University Hill, \$147,218; and Zeballos, \$124.”

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

1. Did the Provincial Government purchase any debentures issued by school districts in the Province in the year 1960?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, in what amount and in which districts?

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

“ 1. The Government, acting on behalf of superannuation, etc., accounts, purchased school district debentures.

“ 2. The Government, acting on behalf of superannuation, etc., accounts, purchased \$28,071,000 school district debentures, as follows: Cranbrook School District, \$100,000; Windermere School District, \$300,000; Golden School District, \$200,000; Vernon School District, \$170,000; Kelowna School District, \$500,000; Kamloops School District, \$459,000; Williams Lake School District, \$660,000; Quesnel School District, \$282,000; Merritt School District, \$180,000; Fraser Canyon School District, \$80,000; Abbotsford School District, \$690,000; Langley School District, \$290,000; Surrey School District, \$1,558,000; Delta School District, \$560,000; Richmond School District, \$1,960,000; Vancouver School District, \$5,171,000; Burnaby School District, \$1,770,000; Maple Ridge School District, \$260,000; Coquitlam School District, \$1,450,000; North Vancouver School District, \$2,519,000; West Vancouver School District, \$385,000; Powell River School District, \$190,000; Ocean Falls School District, \$180,000; Prince Rupert School District, \$679,000; Terrace School District, \$180,000; Prince George School District, \$745,000; Peace River South School District, \$472,000; Peace River North School District, \$458,000; Greater Victoria School District, \$1,680,000; Sooke School District, \$180,000; Cowichan School District, \$392,000; Ladysmith School District, \$130,000; Nanaimo School District, \$170,000; Courtenay School District, \$380,000; Mission School District, \$410,000; Revelstoke School District, \$143,000; Kitimat School District, \$232,000; Creston School District, \$17,000; Nelson School District, \$34,000; Arrow Lakes School District, \$9,000; Trail School District, \$39,000; South Okanagan School District, \$13,000; Keremeos School District, \$9,000; Campbell River School District, \$209,000; Agassiz School District, \$14,000; South Cariboo School District, \$22,000; Howe Sound School District, \$9,000; Burns Lake School District, \$12,000; Lake Cowichan School District, \$25,000; Alert Bay School District, \$45,000; Fort Nelson School District, \$9,000; Penticton School District, \$300,000; Lillooet School District, \$50,000; Sechelt School District, \$100,000; Smithers School District, \$240,000; Vanderhoof School District, \$100,000; Gulf Islands School District, \$30,000; Ucluelet-Tofino School District, \$40,000; Salmon Arm School District, \$200,000; and Chilliwack School District, \$380,000.”

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

With respect to the *Toll Highways and Bridges Authority Act*:—

1. To the latest date available, what is the face value of all bonds issued under authority of the *Toll Highways and Bridges Authority Act*?
2. What has been the net return to the Authority from the sale of the above bonds?
3. Of this amount, what sum has been expended to date?

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

“ 1. \$45,500,000.

“ 2. \$42,917,121.47.

“ 3. \$42,917,121.47.”

Mr. *Rhodes* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Do Provincial Government vehicles pay tolls at the Deas Island or Oak Street toll-gates?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) which departments, (b) total paid by each department for fiscal year ended March 31st, 1960, and (c) total paid to Fraser River Throughway for fiscal year ended March 31st, 1960?

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

“ 1. Yes; other than Department of Highways trucks engaged solely on bridge and tunnel maintenance work.

“ 2. (a) All departments and (b) and (c) not available.”

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

With respect to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company bonds:—

1. To the latest date available, what is the face value of all bonds issued under authority of the *Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act* since 1954?

2. What was the net return from the sale of the above bonds?

3. Of the net return, what sum has been expended to date?

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

“ 1. \$110,116,600.

“ 2. \$106,286,352.67.

“ 3. \$106,286,352.67.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Thursday, February 16th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Dale Dunn*.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *E. C. Westwood*—Bill (No. 4) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. C. Westwood*—Bill (No. 5) intituled *An Act to Amend the Industrial Transportation Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, Bill (No. 34) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters.

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.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, seconded by the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters to hear representations from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and any other body or individual desiring to make representations to the said Committee.

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

1. How many prisoners were transported during 1960 (a) from Cranbrook to Oakalla and (b) from Oakalla to Cranbrook?
2. What methods of transportation were used?
3. How many trips involved?
4. How many police or assistants were used to accompany the prisoners?
5. What was the total cost of transportation (a) for prisoners and (b) for police and assistants?

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* replied as follows:—

"1. (a) Information not available and (b) 160 prisoners given transportation from Oakalla Prison Farm back to Cranbrook following expiration of sentence.

"2, 3, 4, and 5. Information not available. See also 1960 Journals, Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, page 123."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Friday, February 17th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *R. D. Holmes*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, Bill (No. 32) intituled *An Act to Amend the Adoption Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

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.

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

1. Were any prosecutions launched under the *Milk Industry Act* in the year 1960?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many, what are the names and addresses of the persons or companies charged, and the offences so charged?
3. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many were found guilty and how many were found not guilty?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Eleven; (a) Burdge Farms Limited, 805 Beckwith Avenue, Victoria, for selling milk for human consumption which did not conform to the bacterial standard; (b) same firm as (a) for the same offence; (c) Armstrong Cheese Co-operative Association, Armstrong, for using a butter-fat test other than the correct butter-fat test in the payment of milk from the producers; (d) Milky Way Dairy Limited, 815 Beckwith Avenue, Victoria, for obstructing or impeding an inspector in the performance of his duty; (e) Milky Way Dairy Limited, 815 Beckwith Avenue, Victoria, for failing to take samples of milk for the resazurin test and to test such samples for resazurin reduction time; (f) Milky Way Dairy Limited, 815 Beckwith Avenue, Victoria, for unlawfully using containers in indirect retail sales of milk in fluid form other than half-pint, pint, quart, and multiples thereof, all in imperial measure; (g) Millers Dairy, Birch Island, for selling raw milk which failed to conform to the bacterial standard; (h) H. C. Kennedy, Clinton, for selling raw milk which failed to conform to the bacterial standard; (i) Lewis & Sons Dairy, Wildwood, for selling pasteurized milk which failed to conform to the bacterial standard; (j) Greenacres Dairy, R.R. 1, Kamloops, for selling raw milk which failed to conform to the bacterial standard; and (k) Mrs. Adelaine Luella Pourtch, Highway No. 97, Kelowna, for selling milk for human consumption without a subsisting certificate classifying her farm as an approved raw-milk dairy-farm.

“ 3. Six guilty and five dismissed.”

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

With reference to artificial insemination:—

1. What was the amount of Provincial assistance paid for the nine-month period ended December 31st, 1960?
2. Was the amount in No. 1 paid only to the farm in Milner?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, what organizations received assistance and how much?

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

“ 1. \$1,800.

“ 2. No.

“ 3. The total amount shown in No. 1 was paid to the artificial insemination committee of the Cowichan Agricultural Society.”

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 5.23 p.m.

Monday, February 20th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

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. W. Bonner* (on behalf of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*), the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Eighth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 8

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 20th, 1961.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 55) intituled *An Act to Incorporate the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster, 1893*, has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Ninth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 9

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 20th, 1961.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 56) intituled *An Act Respecting The Royal Trust Company* has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

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

With respect to the rental of construction equipment:—

1. Since August, 1952, have moneys been paid by the Department of Highways, directly or indirectly, to Mr. Ben Ginter, to Ben Ginter Construction Company Limited, to View Construction Company, and (or) to any other partnership or corporation of which Mr. Ginter is an officer, shareholder, or employee for rental of construction equipment?

2. If so, what are the amounts paid, by year?

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

“ 1. Yes; however, the identity of firms beyond those specifically mentioned engaged in rental of construction equipment in which Mr. Ginter now has an interest, or may have had during the period in question, is not known.

“ 2. Ben Ginter: 1952/53, 1953/54, 1954/55, 1955/56, 1956/57, 1957/58, 1958/59, 1959/60, and 1960/61, *nil*. Ben Ginter Construction Company Limited: 1952/53, \$71,066.10; 1953/54, \$64,254.89; 1954/55, \$126,334.75; 1955/56, \$398,840.63; 1956/57, \$451,445.77; 1957/58, \$264,374.04; 1958/59, \$29,090.84; 1959/60, \$407,228.75; and 1960/61, \$620,777.96. View Construction Company: 1952/53, 1953/54, 1954/55, and 1955/56, *nil*; 1956/57, \$179,011.84; 1957/58, \$272,399.72; 1958/59, \$164,307.06; 1959/60, \$306,685.95; and 1960/61, \$203,604.21.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Tuesday, February 21st, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Canon *R. E. H. Howell*.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 41) intituled *An Act to Amend the Court of Appeal Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

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

On the motion of Mrs. *Haggen*—Bill (No. 31) intituled *An Act to Amend the Fireworks Regulation Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *F. X. Richter*—Bill (No. 38) intituled *An Act to Amend the Beef Grading Act*.

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 Mr. *Newton*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Tenth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 10

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 21st, 1961.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 54) intituled *An Act to Amend the Seaboard Assurance Company Act, 1953*, has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* (on behalf of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, President of the Council) presented Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company Condensed Statement of Accounts as at December 31st, 1960.

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* presented the Sixty-fourth Annual Report of the Public Health Services of British Columbia for the year ended December 31st, 1960.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, February 21st, 1961

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *E. C. Westwood* 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 *British Columbia Government Travel Bureau Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 2nd, 1961.

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 *British Columbia Government Travel Bureau Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* 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 Annual Holidays Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 21st, 1961.

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. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Annual Holidays Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* 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 Labour Relations Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 21st, 1961.

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. 42) intituled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, Bill (No. 12) intituled *An Act to Amend the Psychiatric Nurses Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

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. W. Bonner* (on behalf of the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*), the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

With reference to the Capital Improvement District Commission:—

1. When was the Commission established?
2. Was there a grant made to the Capital Improvement District Commission during the fiscal year 1960/61?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, what was the amount of the grant?
4. What is the total amount of money expended by the Capital Improvement District Commission from the date of establishment to December 31st, 1960?

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

"1. The Capital Improvement District Commission was established pursuant to the *Capital Improvement District Act*, assented to on March 2nd, 1956.

"2. Yes.

"3. \$200,000.

"4. \$558,862.89."

Mr. *Corbett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Municipal Affairs the following questions:—

With reference to the 1960/61 municipal winter works programme:—

1. How many projects have been approved to date?
2. What is the total estimated cost of the approved projects?
3. How many man-hours of work will be supplied by the approved projects?

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

"As at February 17th, 1961:—

"1. 633.

"2. \$38,313,509.

"3. 423,313."

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

1. In 1960 what total amount of interest was paid in respect of bonds issued in the name of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and wholly guaranteed by the Province of British Columbia?

2. Specifically from what funds were these amounts of interest paid?

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

“ 1. \$5,102,080.

“ 2. The general funds of the railway.”

Mr. *Dowding* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What was the total number of (a) permanent Civil Servants and (b) non-Civil Service employees on the Provincial payroll as of the following dates in 1960: April 30th, May 31st, June 30th, July 31st, August 31st, September 30th, October 31st, November 30th, and December 31st?

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

“April 30th, 1960, (a) 9,863 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 6,330 non-Civil Service employees; May 31st, 1960, (a) 9,953 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 6,966 non-Civil Service employees; June 30th, 1960, (a) 10,040 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 7,670 non-Civil Service employees; July 31st, 1960, (a) 10,090 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 7,934 non-Civil Service employees; August 31st, 1960, (a) 10,138 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 7,884 non-Civil Service employees; September 30th, 1960, (a) 10,156 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 7,282 non-Civil Service employees; October 31st, 1960, (a) 10,086 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 6,618 non-Civil Service employees; November 30th, 1960, (a) 10,066 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 6,251 non-Civil Service employees; and December 31st, 1960, (a) 10,035 permanent and casual Civil Servants and (b) 5,815 non-Civil Service employees.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.32 p.m.

Wednesday, February 22nd, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Major *Jamieson*.

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

GEORGE R. PEARCES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act with Respect to Bounty on Copper*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 21st, 1961.

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. 35) intituled *An Act with Respect to Bounty on Copper*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
 Report adopted.
 Bill introduced and read a first time.
 Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* 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 Local Services Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 21st, 1961.

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. 36) intituled *An Act to Amend the Local Services Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
 Report adopted.
 Bill introduced and read a first time.
 Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* 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 Municipal Superannuation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 21st, 1961.

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. 39) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

On the motion of Mr. *Rhodes*, Bill (No. 44) intituled *An Act Respecting Agreements for Sale of Farm Machinery and Parts* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

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 Mr. *Gibson*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* 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 Forest Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 22nd, 1961.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 45) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

And *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries.

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

Under the terms of the *Elderly Citizens' Housing Aid Act*:—

1. Did any projects receive assistance by way of grants during the fiscal year 1959/60?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many projects received grants, (b) in what areas were the projects located, and (c) how many elderly citizens were accommodated in these projects?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) Fifteen, (b) Abbotsford, Cranbrook, New Westminster, North Vancouver, Port Coquitlam, Prince George, Vancouver, and Victoria, and (c) 246.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, February 22nd, 1961

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* (on behalf of 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 Motor Carrier Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 13th, 1961.

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. 25) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor Carrier Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 40) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

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. Mrs. *B. H. Brown*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

With respect to advertising British Columbia farm products:—

1. Was any money spent outside British Columbia in the years 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, and 1960?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) in what countries and (b) how much in each country?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.31 p.m.

Thursday, February 23rd, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *R. MacMillan*.

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 Mr. *Bruch*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Thursday, February 23rd, 1961

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

With respect to stumpage fees, in the calendar year 1960:—

1. What acreage stumpage was collected per 1,000 feet board-measure in (a) Forest Area No. 1, (b) Prince George Forest District, (c) Fort St. John Forest District, (d) Cranbrook Forest District, and (e) Revelstoke Forest District?

2. Were any downward revisions made to assist the industry in respect of stumpage or royalties?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, where and to what extent in each case?

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 Mr. *Macfarlane*, 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. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.21 p.m.

Friday, February 24th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *H. K. Johnston*.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* 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 Public Schools Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 23rd, 1961.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after to-day.

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.

The motion was agreed to on the following division:—

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Messieurs

Robinson
Tisdalle
Newton
Matthew
Bruch
Shelford
Price

Corbett
Brown, Mrs.
Kiernan
Williston
Bonner
Black
Skillings

Little
Jefcoat
Huhn
Brothers
Speare
Smith
Carnell

Murray
Campbell
Westwood
Chant
Peterson
Martin
Richter

NAYS—19

Messieurs

McKay
Hobbs
Mather, Mrs.
Rhodes
Calder

Cox
Dowding
Gargrave
Barrett
Macfarlane

Perrault
Nimsick
Haggen, Mrs.
Macdonald
Squire

Eddie
Harding
Strachan
Turner

PAIR:

Messieurs

Bennett

Gibson

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

The Committee rose and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled *An Act to Amend the Court of Appeal Act* was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

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 5.59 p.m.