

**Monday, April 14, 1975**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. T. Allen*.

On the motion of Mr. *Cummings*, Bill (No. 50) intituled *An Act to Incorporate The Institute of Accredited Public Accountants of British Columbia* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On the motion of the Hon. *D. D. Stupich*, Bill (No. 45) intituled *Bee Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

By leave of the House, the Hon. *Ernest Hall* (Provincial Secretary) tabled Collective Agreement documents relating to the Public Service of British Columbia.

**58** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Housing the following questions:  
With respect to the operations of the Housing Ministry or any of the corporations for which it is responsible—

1. From what company or companies, if any, has any lumber been purchased?
2. What, if any, has been the total cost of such purchases to the last available date?

The Hon. *Lorne Nicolson* replied as follows:

"1. For the year ended January 31, 1975, Dunhill Development Corporation Limited purchased lumber from Crown Lumber Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary, and Dick's Lumber and Building Supplies (1967) Limited.

"2. The purchase from Crown Lumber Limited was in the amount of \$559,278 and from Dick's Lumber and Building Supplies in the amount of \$66,087."

**71** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:

With respect to persons employed by the Provincial Government—

1. How many persons were employed by the Province but did not possess civil or Public Service status (a) on December 31, 1973, and (b) on December 31, 1974?

2. What are the names and positions of persons earning more than \$1,000 per month or \$12,000 per year appointed by Order in Council or otherwise engaged pursuant to contracts of at least 30 days, and in the employ of the Provincial Government, its agencies, or enterprises at the latest date for which information is available?

The Hon. *Ernest Hall* replied as follows:

“1. Records only available as of the following dates: (a) On October 31, 1973, 450; and (b) on October 31, 1974, 649.

“2. That, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.”

**88** Mr. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:

1. Has the Provincial Government employed any United States citizens since October 1972?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many were employed during the period October to December 31, 1972, (b) how many were employed during the calendar year 1973, (c) how many were employed during the calendar year 1974, (d) were arrangements for employment of these persons made through the Public Service Commission, and (e) what are the job titles of these persons?

3. If the answer to No. 2 (d) is no, on what basis were these persons employed?

The Hon. *Ernest Hall* replied as follows:

“1, 2, and 3. No record has been kept, therefore, the answer is unavailable.”

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

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**Tuesday, April 15, 1975**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *M. Anderson*.

Mr. Speaker stated that, with reference to a matter of privilege raised by Mr. *L. A. Williams* in the House on Friday last, he had concluded that it was not a matter of such urgency that the regular business of the House should be set aside for its immediate consideration. Mr. Speaker further stated that the matter raised did not appear to impede any member in fulfilling his legislative duties, and the matter lacked urgency because the publication in question had been in existence for some time.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the matter could be brought forward by way of Notice of Motion.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.  
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 8.30 o'clock p.m. today.

**52** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following question:

What was the total number of mineral claims staked within the Province of British Columbia in each of the years 1969 to 1974, inclusive?

The Hon. *L. T. Nimsick* replied as follows:

"Mineral claims staked for years shown: 1969, 84,665; 1970, 69,546; 1971, 57,778; 1972, 78,901; 1973, 35,659; 1974, 16,972."

**142** Mr. *Phillips* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following question:

Will the Minister advise the details of competition for Crown petroleum and natural gas resources by stating the price per acre paid and the total bonus paid in all of the sales held in the years 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, and to date in 1975?

The Hon. *L. T. Nimsick* replied as follows:

"The details of competition for Crown petroleum and natural gas resources requested are as follows:

Year	Price per Acre Paid	Total Bonus Paid
	\$	\$
1971		
January 28.....	8.98	4,350,742.78
April 8.....	6.12	1,960,986.83
August 19.....	9.93	7,299,192.20
November 25.....	10.13	8,575,328.77
1972		
February 3.....	6.90	5,094,843.17
April 13.....	6.58	4,543,327.82
August 24.....	8.55	7,441,953.63
November 16.....	5.88	3,415,996.13
1973		
February 1.....	13.40	6,781,577.09
April 5.....	6.58	3,314,208.79
August 30.....	6.51	3,000,569.20
November 22.....	10.58	4,680,086.19
1974		
January 31.....	11.94	6,333,055.79
April 4.....	11.35	6,046,809.08
August 22.....	10.81	7,263,685.83
November 21.....	11.30	3,311,784.36

Year	Price per Acre Paid	Total Bonus Paid
1975		
January 23.....	44.01	425,040.27
February 27.....	54.16	1,025,609.58"

And then the House adjourned at 6.12 p.m.

## Tuesday, April 15, 1975

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Smith* rose on a point of order, namely, the effect of a memorandum circulated to the honourable members, purporting to schedule the order and allocation of time for consideration of the remaining Estimates to be considered in Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Committee further reported that during consideration of Vote 11 the Committee divided on a motion to rise and report progress, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *McGeer* the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

### YEAS—28

<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Kelly</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>Radford</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Young</i>
<i>Rolston</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Cummings</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Nunweiler</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>

### NAYS—12

<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Bennett</i>
<i>Morrison</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>McClelland</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Jordan</i>

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.06 p.m.

## Wednesday, April 16, 1975

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. E. F. Moulden*.

On the motion of Mr. *Gibson*, Bill (No. 62) intituled *Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1975* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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The Committee rose and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

The Hon. *Norman Levi* (Minister of Human Resources) presented the Annual Report of the Alcohol and Drug Commission for the year 1974.

**4** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With reference to the Home-acquisition Grant—

1. What is the total number of grants made under the Act since its coming into force?

2. What is the total amount of money granted under the Act since its inception?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. As of February 1, 1975, the number of grants made were 104,942 and the number of mortgages issued were 61,059, for a total of 166,001 grants and mortgages.

"2. As of February 1, 1975, the amount of money granted under the Act for grants was \$65,200,000 and for mortgages was \$225,400,000, for a total of \$290,600,000."

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

1. Have any British Columbia parity bonds been taken into Provincial accounts since September 15, 1972?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the total amount of parity bonds held in Provincial accounts as of February 18, 1975?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. \$23,141,000."

**6** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. Were any bond issues authorized by the Government in 1974 for school construction and, if so, in what total amount?

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

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes, \$61,815,000.

"2. (a) \$61,815,000; (b), (c), and (d) February 8, 1974, \$9,487,000, 7.53 per cent; April 10, 1974, \$10,197,000, 7.61 per cent; May 9, 1974, \$10,000,000, 8.01 per cent; May 10, 1974, \$4,469,000, 8.01 per cent; June 4, 1974, \$7,124,000, 8.45 per cent; August 8, 1974, \$10,000,000, 9.05 per cent; December 9, 1974, \$10,000,000, 9.07 per cent; December 10, 1974, \$538,000, 9.07 per cent; total amount, \$61,815,000."

**7** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. With respect to any pension funds under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Finance, what are the shareholdings, if any, in each pension account up to February 18, 1975?

2. For what price was each share held purchased?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. (a) Bank of British Columbia common, 51,055 shares; (b) British Columbia Telephone common, 200,391 shares; (c) Canadian Pacific common, 1,200 shares; (d) Imperial Oil common, 300 shares; (e) International Nickel common, 450 shares; and (f) United Accumulative Fund, 36 shares.

"2. (a) Bank of British Columbia common, *see* Schedule A; (b) British Columbia Telephone common, *see* Schedule B; (c) Canadian Pacific common, \$16.50; (d) Imperial Oil common, \$42.37; (e) International Nickel common, \$31.87; and (f) United Accumulative Fund, \$5.12."

"Schedule A—Bank of B.C. Shares

Date Purchased 1968	Number of Shares	Price \$	Date Purchased 1968	Number of Shares	Price \$
April 10 .....	150	22.00	August 28 .....	10,000	24.58
April 16 .....	100	22.00	September 5 .....	17	22.75
April 16 .....	200	22.50	September 5 .....	5	23.00
April 26 .....	200	22.25	September 9 .....	104	23.00
April 28 .....	500	22.50	September 9 .....	100	22.75
April 30 .....	200	23.00	September 9 .....	75	22.625
May 2 .....	200	23.00	September 16 .....	50	22.75
May 3 .....	500	23.00	September 16 .....	32	22.625
May 6 .....	300	23.00	September 16 .....	400	23.00
May 8 .....	100	23.00	September 18 .....	115	22.75
May 13 .....	200	23.00	September 23 .....	2	23.00
May 14 .....	700	23.00	October 9 .....	100	22.50
May 22 .....	200	22.50	October 11 .....	100	22.50
May 23 .....	200	22.50	October 11 .....	100	22.50
May 30 .....	100	22.50	November 5 .....	100	22.50
July 26 .....	100	23.50	November 12 .....	100	22.50
July 26 .....	100	23.50	November 29 .....	100	22.50
July 26 .....	1,000	24.00	December 4 .....	100	22.50
September 3 .....	100	22.75	December 10 .....	300	22.50

Date Purchased 1969	Number of Shares	Price \$	Date Purchased 1970	Number of Shares	Price \$
February 21 .....	600	21.50	February 17 .....	100	19.75
February 24 .....	100	21.50	February 26 .....	200	19.75
February 24 .....	100	21.50	March 2 .....	100	19.75
February 25 .....	200	21.50	March 4 .....	100	19.75
March 5 .....	100	20.75	March 6 .....	100	19.75
March 7 .....	200	20.75	March 11 .....	200	20.00
March 13 .....	200	20.75	March 18 .....	200	19.75
March 18 .....	100	20.75	March 24 .....	800	19.875
March 24 .....	300	20.75	April 27 .....	100	19.75
April 8 .....	100	20.75	April 28 .....	100	19.75
April 3 .....	100	20.25	May 6 .....	200	19.75
April 7 .....	200	20.25	May 8 .....	600	19.50
April 8 .....	700	20.25	May 15 .....	100	19.00
April 21 .....	200	20.00	May 20 .....	50	18.75
April 22 .....	100	20.00	May 26 .....	250	19.00
April 23 .....	400	20.00	June 8 .....	1,000	18.50
April 24 .....	100	20.00	June 10 .....	300	18.50
April 25 .....	100	20.25	June 15 .....	400	18.50
May 2 .....	100	20.25	June 19 .....	200	18.50
May 20 .....	12	20.00	June 30 .....	100	18.50
May 22 .....	100	20.25	July 27 .....	100	18.50
May 22 .....	300	20.25	July 29 .....	100	18.50
May 26 .....	100	20.25	August 13 .....	200	18.50
May 27 .....	100	20.25	August 14 .....	100	18.50
May 29 .....	200	20.25	August 17 .....	100	18.50
June 20 .....	100	20.25	August 31 .....	100	18.50
June 23 .....	100	20.25	September 14 .....	100	18.50
July 15 .....	88	20.25	September 15 .....	200	18.50
August 20 .....	200	20.00	September 21 .....	300	18.25
September 24 .....	100	20.00	September 28 .....	400	18.25
October 6 .....	40	20.00	October 7 .....	100	18.25
October 7 .....	50	20.00	November 26 .....	500	18.25
October 7 .....	40	19.75			
October 9 .....	20	20.00			
October 9 .....	20	20.00	1971		
October 9 .....	40	20.00	January 21 .....	100	18.75
October 9 .....	20	20.00	January 29 .....	400	19.00
October 10 .....	100	20.00	March 24 .....	500	19.00
October 10 .....	5	19.75	April 15 .....	400	19.00
October 10 .....	400	20.00	April 15 .....	100	18.875
October 20 .....	100	20.25	April 16 .....	500	19.00
October 20 .....	65	20.25	May 11 .....	200	18.75
October 20 .....	200	20.25	May 13 .....	100	18.75
November 18 .....	350	20.00	May 17 .....	100	18.75
November 19 .....	100	20.00			
November 20 .....	100	20.00	1973		
November 21 .....	200	20.00	August 3 .....	4,000	25.00
November 24 .....	100	20.00	August 16 .....	75	25.00
November 26 .....	200	20.00	August 16 .....	1,000	25.00
November 27 .....	1,000	20.00	August 23 .....	287	24.50
			August 24 .....	110	25.00
1970			August 27 .....	73	25.00
January 12 .....	800	19.00	August 27 .....	100	24.50
January 23 .....	100	19.75	August 27 .....	425	24.75
January 23 .....	100	19.75	August 28 .....	50	24.50
January 28 .....	800	19.75	September 4 .....	100	24.875
January 30 .....	200	19.75	September 5 .....	204	24.50
February 5 .....	400	19.75	September 6 .....	205	24.50
February 5 .....	100	19.75	September 13 .....	12	24.875
February 9 .....	100	19.75	September 14 .....	15	24.875
			September 17 .....	100	24.875





Date Purchased 1973	Number of Shares	Price \$	Date Purchased 1973	Number of Shares	Price \$
October 18	25	53.75	December 19	1,500	50.00
October 19	350	53.75	December 20	2,000	49.875
October 19	100	53.875	December 20	1,000	49,875
October 22	800	54.00	December 21	535	49,625
October 23	100	54.00	December 18	475	51.50
October 23	150	54.25	December 18	3,500	50.25
October 23	1,000	54.50	December 17	450	51.50
October 24	50	54.50	December 14	150	51.50
October 24	300	54.75			
October 24	200	54.875			
October 30	100	53.50	1974		
October 30	25	53.125	January 8	200	49.25
November 1	425	53.50	January 8	200	49.50
November 1	75	53.25	January 10	6,000	49.50
November 1	25	53.75	January 11	2,000	49.25
November 1	100	53.875	January 22	200	49.25
November 1	4,250	54.00	January 25	1,100	50.50
November 5	25	53.00	January 30	450	53.00
November 6	100	53.50	February 19	2,500	50.25
November 8	125	53.50	February 22	14,000	50.25
November 9	125	53.25	February 22	500	50.125
November 15	75	53.25	February 27	2,000	51.00
November 15	210	53.50	March 1	500	51.50
November 20	100	53.25	March 7	600	56.00
November 22	13,850	53.25	March 7	1,000	56.25
November 23	100	53.00	March 11	1,000	56.50
November 27	250	53.00	March 19	10,000	57.00
November 28	200	52.875	March 20	4,000	57.00
November 28	150	53.00	March 21	8,000	57.00
November 28	25	52.75	March 21	100	57.00
November 29	760	53.00	March 28	100	56.75
December 3	150	53.00	March 28	3,400	57.00
December 4	850	53.00	March 29	5,600	57.00
December 4	50	52.75	April 1	10,000	57.00
December 5	200	52.75	April 3	35	56.25
December 6	50	52.75	April 3	542	57.00
December 6	200	52.875	April 10	13,507	57.00
December 6	225	53.00	April 11	2,550	56.75
December 7	900	52.50	April 16	200	57.00
December 10	75	52.50	April 16	5,000	57.00
December 12	625	52.50	April 23	1,000	57.00
December 12	175	52.50	October 11	28,627	43.00 <sup>1</sup>
December 12	4,000	52.00			
December 13	425	51.50	Total	200,391 <sup>1</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> Warrants.

8 Mr. Bennett asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With respect to the *Succession Duty Act*—

1. What were the monthly collections during 1974?
2. What number of estates were involved?
3. What number of estates were valued below \$100,000?
4. What number of estates were valued between \$200,000 and \$500,000?
5. What number of estates were valued between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000?
6. What number of estates were valued over \$1,000,000?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. Net monthly collections were: January, \$1,755,805.60; February, \$1,956,-501.99; March, \$1,076,614.59; April, \$1,576,914.73; May, \$3,411,580.55; June, \$1,940,674.23; July, \$1,629,570.38; August, \$2,212,369.50; September, \$2,783,-255.90; October, \$2,133,501.69; November, \$1,548,315.82; December, \$2,232,742.03; total, \$24,257,847.01.

"2. 13,926.

"3, 4, 5, and 6. Detailed statistical information not maintained."

**10** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:

With respect to the Provincial Home-owner Grant, what was the aggregate of grants paid to each municipality by the Provincial Government in 1974?

"The Hon. *David Barrett* stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return up to date.

"Home-owner Grants paid for 1974 (summary): Cities, \$36,479,797.04; municipalities, \$40,744,576.24; towns, \$2,340,427.42; villages, \$2,688,770.72; total, \$82,253,571.42 (figures as of February 21, 1975)."

**13** Mr. *Bennett* 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 1974?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"Total sums collectable under the *Public Schools Act* were as follows:

Unorganized Rural Component of School District	1974 School Requisition \$	Unorganized Rural Component of School District	1974 School Requisition \$
No. 1 Fernie .....	1,491,459	No. 33 Chilliwack .....	379,603
No. 2 Cranbrook .....	623,648	No. 34 Abbotsford .....	27,014
No. 3 Kimberley .....	572,941	No. 36 Surrey .....	17,027
No. 4 Windermere .....	686,332	No. 39 Vancouver .....	464,317
No. 7 Nelson .....	1,337,227	No. 42 Maple Ridge .....	52,875
No. 9 Castlegar .....	535,529	No. 43 Coquitlam .....	2,307,482
No. 10 Arrow Lakes .....	382,237	No. 44 North Vancouver .....	14,595
No. 11 Trail .....	897,129	No. 45 West Vancouver .....	41,713
No. 12 Grand Forks .....	351,580	No. 46 Sechelt .....	2,154,635
No. 13 Kettle Valley .....	191,846	No. 47 Powell River .....	1,001,155
No. 14 Southern Okanagan .....	774,231	No. 48 Howe Sound .....	1,519,105
No. 15 Penticton .....	372,317	No. 49 Ocean Falls .....	310,383
No. 16 Keremeos .....	175,174	No. 50 Queen Charlotte .....	723,498
No. 17 Princeton .....	565,345	No. 52 Prince Rupert .....	311,370
No. 18 Golden .....	279,295	No. 54 Smithers .....	352,103
No. 19 Revelstoke .....	537,409	No. 55 Burns Lake .....	982,850
No. 22 Vernon .....	1,104,447	No. 56 Nechako .....	1,304,986
No. 23 Central Okanagan .....	1,831,168	No. 57 Prince George .....	4,937,907
No. 24 Kamloops .....	2,506,512	No. 59 Peace River South .....	1,121,642
No. 26 North Thompson .....	926,818	No. 60 Peace River North .....	2,524,444
No. 27 Cariboo-Chilcotin .....	2,723,140	No. 61 Greater Victoria .....	391,957
No. 28 Quesnel .....	1,830,168	No. 62 Sooke .....	2,789,476
No. 29 Lillooet .....	1,331,035	No. 63 Saanich .....	90,519
No. 30 South Cariboo .....	948,828	No. 64 Gulf Islands .....	1,206,134
No. 31 Merritt .....	615,297	No. 65 Cowichan .....	1,586,136
No. 32 Hope .....	753,403	No. 66 Lake Cowichan .....	1,769,601

Unorganized Rural Component of School District	1974 School Requisition \$	Unorganized Rural Component of School District	1974 School Requisition \$
No. 68 Nanaimo .....	5,689,271	No. 80 Kitimat .....	92,046
No. 69 Qualicum .....	1,115,440	No. 81 Fort Nelson .....	985,175
No. 70 Alberni .....	1,639,740	No. 84 Vancouver Island West ..	192,260
No. 71 Courtenay .....	2,086,280	No. 85 Vancouver Island North	765,944
No. 72 Campbell River .....	1,815,037	No. 86 Creston-Kaslo .....	1,007,049
No. 75 Mission .....	335,939	No. 87 Stikine .....	331,264
No. 76 Agassiz-Harrison .....	114,031	No. 88 Skeena-Cassiar .....	943,574
No. 77 Summerland .....	29,639	No. 89 Shuswap .....	1,464,973"

**14** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:  
With reference to funds received under the Canada Pension Plan: What was the total amount received by British Columbia during the calendar year 1974?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:  
"\$182,279,000."

**15** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:  
With respect to funds received under the Canada Pension Plan: What is the total amount received to date by British Columbia?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:  
"\$1,129,908,000."

**38** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Housing the following questions:  
1. Did the Provincial Government purchase land for the purpose of establishing a "Land Bank" for the provision of low-cost public housing since January 25, 1973?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) who were the vendors, (b) what was the price per acre paid in each case, and (c) what is the total cost of the purchases to February 15, 1975?

The Hon. *Lorne Nicolson* replied as follows:

"1. Yes. Land was purchased for the following purposes: Future development, immediate development in subdivided parcels, and development of housing.

"2. (a) and (b) Acreage:

Vendor	Price per Acre \$
Grace I. Merkley .....	32,006
Thetis Park Estates Ltd. ....	1,724
Mrs. E. Morley .....	604
Alcan Aluminum Ltd. ....	33,186 (serviced land)
Mr. J. O. Scoones .....	1,144
Diocese of Nelson .....	7,500
Mr. C. D. Stewart .....	9,558 (improved with home)
Mr. D. E. Alcorn .....	357
Mr. R. H. Willing .....	3,005
Klahanie Estates .....	2,708
Mountview Estates Ltd. ....	3,100
Mr. G. Griffiths .....	2,000
Mr. J. Lane & Mr. J. Forrester & V. A. Forrester .....	12,195
E. Alstone & E. E. Page .....	24,553
Order of Oblates of Mary Immaculate .....	6,368

Vendor	Price per Acre \$
Arcane Ventures Ltd.....	10,083
Mr. A. J. Bouchard & F. Bouchard.....	7,211
A. Schiel Construction Ltd.....	10,169
Devco Properties Ltd.....	2,415
Mr. C. E. Anderson & E. A. Anderson.....	35,970
Mr. G. Jones & H. Jones.....	2,814
Western Realty Projects Ltd.....	48,118
McGillis & Gibbs Co.....	3,075
Mr. A. J. Kingcott.....	2,031
Pemco Holdings Ltd.....	17,645
Mr. A. W. Rafter & Mr. R. Filberg.....	1,905
District of North Vancouver.....	158,421
Corporation of Nakusp.....	3,352
MacArthur Park Estates Ltd.....	28,030
Village of Burns Lake.....	2,087
Village of Burns Lake.....	649
Anglican Synod of Diocese of B.C.....	21,666
Mr. C. E. B. Newman.....	1,104
Mr. J. Poje.....	4,225
Mr. J. Poje.....	12,000
Mrs. N. V. Cooke.....	1,210
Gloucester Leasehold.....	2,000
City of Vancouver.....	227,272
Mr. R. Rant & Mr. K. Clark.....	1,254
Anne Hrehorka.....	5,106
Mr. G. E. & B. P. Lenny.....	28,846
Mr. W. J. & E. I. Cowie.....	23,909
Mr. R. C. & E. Haas.....	25,523 (improved with home)
Municipality of Saanich.....	8,367

“Registered subdivided lots:

Vendor	Area (Square Feet)	Price \$	Price per Square Foot \$
Victoria Halfway House Society.....	10,890	40,500	3.72
Mr. A. Leason.....	1,465	6,950	4.74
Kelly Douglas Co. Ltd.....	14,468	93,000	6.42
Mr. P. Samualson.....	9,000	69,000	7.66
City of Prince Rupert.....	17,314	70,500	4.07
Mr. R. Strible.....	90,800	57,000	.63 <sup>1</sup>
Mr. & Mrs. L. F. Nelson.....	20,909	8,500	.40
Macor Developments Ltd.....	90,000	1,125,000	12.50
Long Term Holdings Ltd.....	48,000	382,000	7.95 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Ten lots.      <sup>2</sup> Improved.

“(c) \$11,441,912.

“NOTE—The above answer excludes properties purchased in the Burke Mountain area of the District of Coquitlam, where a land assembly program is currently under way.”

**46** Mr. Curtis asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With respect to the *Real Property Tax Deferment Act*—

1. From June 5, 1974, to the latest date for which information is available, how many individual applications for tax deferment have been received?
2. What was the total number of tax deferral applications approved?
3. What was the total dollar amount on tax deferment approved?

The Hon. David Barrett replied as follows:

“1. 1,650.

“2. 1,353.

“3. \$404,446.80.”

**56** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:

With respect to all pension accounts under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Finance: What was the total amount of funds available with respect to all accounts between January 1, 1974, and December 31, 1974?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

“\$116,500,000.”

**59** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Housing the following questions:

1. What were the total number of units of housing actually constructed by the Department?

2. What was the total cost of all projects actually constructed by the Department?

The Hon. *Lorne Nicolson* replied as follows:

“1. Dwelling units are not actually constructed by the Department of Housing; units are built for the Department by the Dunhill Development Corporation Ltd. and private contractors.

“2. *See above.*”

**73** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With regard to recent borrowings outside Canada for British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority in the amount of \$300,000,000—

1. What was the commission, in dollars, paid by the Province or B.C. Hydro for each issue described above?

2. To which individual, firm, or agency was any such commission paid?

3. What were the expenses, in dollars, incurred by the Province of British Columbia or B.C. Hydro for each issue described above?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

“1. (a) \$100,000,000 10¼ per cent bonds, Series DN, 1999, \$875,000; (b) \$100,000,000 9¾ per cent bonds, Series DV, 1982, \$750,000; and (c) \$100,000,000 8⅝ per cent bonds, Series DW, 1985, \$750,000.

“2. (a) Paid to the First Boston Corporation, New York, for *pro rata* distribution among underwriters as named in the prospectus for Series DN, 1999; (b) First Boston (Europe) Limited, London; and (c) Credit Suisse White Weld Limited, London.

“3. (a) \$161,300; (b) miscellaneous expenses not yet received; and (c) (i) discount on sale, \$500,000; (ii) miscellaneous expenses not yet received.”

**74** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With respect to funds, including reserve funds and some derived from Consolidated Revenue in any manner whatsoever, invested or deposited by or on behalf of any department, agency, or enterprise of the Provincial Government in or with any credit union in British Columbia—

1. What is the total amount so deposited or invested on behalf of each Provincial Government department, agency, or enterprise at the most recent date for which figures are available?

2. What credit unions have received such investments or deposits and what is the total amount so held by each at the most recent date for which figures are available?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. \$13,000,000.

"2. B.C. Central Credit Union, \$13,000,000."

**76** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With regard to the Power and Telephone Line Beautification Fund—

1. Have any grants been made from this fund since March 1, 1974?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many grants have been made?

3. What has been the amount of each individual grant, and to which community, incorporated area, or regional district?

4. Are any commitments for payment from this fund outstanding?

5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, what are the commitments, in dollars, and to which communities, incorporated areas, or regional districts?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. Seven.

"3. Village of 100 Mile House, \$13,110; Corporation of the City of Victoria, \$242,512.99; City of Vancouver, \$30,244.36; Corporation of the City of Nanaimo, \$1,429; Corporation of the City of North Vancouver, \$17,265; Corporation of the City of Rosland, \$3,000; Corporation of the District of Saanich, \$217,000.

"4. Yes.

"5. City of Dawson Creek, \$9,072; City of Duncan, \$15,778; City of Duncan, \$27,573; City of Duncan, \$28,954; Town of Esquimalt, \$10,464; Town of Fort St. John, \$3,544; Town of Fort St. John, \$22,600; City of Kamloops, \$10,652; City of Kamloops, \$187,513; District of Kitimat, \$74,000; District of Kitimat, \$3,630; District of Kitimat, \$6,024; District of Maple Ridge, \$38,667; District of North Vancouver, \$129,193; District of North Vancouver, \$13,350; City of North Vancouver, \$5,970; City of Prince George, \$4,237; City of Prince Rupert, \$4,930; Town of Smithers, \$19,030; City of Vancouver, \$339,826; City of Vancouver, \$127,200; City of Vancouver, \$63,000; City of Vancouver, \$268,927; City of Vancouver, \$46,130; City of Victoria, \$755,487; City of White Rock, \$155,043."

**108** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Housing the following questions:

1. Since the assumption of the control of Dunhill Corporation by the Provincial Government have any land properties been sold to private developers?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the recorded appraised value of each property at the time of takeover by the Provincial Government and (b) what was the sale price with respect to each transaction?

The Hon. *Lorne Nicolson* replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) and (b) Lac la Hache and Okanagan property, appraised value, \$85,694, sale price, \$102,000; Richmond residential, appraised value, \$1,800,000, sale price, \$1,800,000; No. 3 Road, Richmond, appraised value, \$100,000, sale price, \$130,000; Vulcan Way property, Richmond, appraised value, \$265,000, sale price, \$265,000."

**131** Mr. *Schroeder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:

What were the amounts of capital expenditure for school construction in each of the calendar years 1970 to 1974, inclusive?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

“1970, \$43,085,200; 1971, \$53,987,077; 1972, \$48,759,763; 1973, \$57,404,497; 1974, not available until audited financial statements from all school districts for year ended December 31, 1974, are received.”

And then the House adjourned at 6.06 p.m.

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## Thursday, April 17, 1975

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TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Bernard Hanley*.

Mr. Speaker made a statement relating to the order of business in Committee of Supply.

On the motion of Mr. *Bennett*, Bill (No. 63) intituled *Mincome Protection Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

By leave of the House, the Hon. *Norman Levi* (Minister of Human Resources) presented the first report of the Burns Lake Native Development Corporation.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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The Committee rose and reported progress.  
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 8.30 o’clock p.m. today.

**143** Mr. *Phillips* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:

1. Will the Minister advise the dates the Clayhurst Ferry went into service and the dates the ferry suspended service for the years 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, and 1975?

2. During the period the ferry was in service during the years 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, will the Minister advise how many hours the ferry was out of service for (a) mechanical breakdown and (b) landing problems?

3. Will the Minister advise how much time during the previous periods was the ferry out of service for trucks over 8,000 GVW?

The Hon. *G. R. Lea* replied as follows:

“1.

	Dates Put In Service	Dates Taken Out Of Service
1970 .....	April 15	December 3
1971 .....	April 15	January 3, 1972
1972 .....	May 4	January 9, 1973
1973 .....	April 3	December 28
1974 .....	April 29	January 1, 1975
1975 .....	March 14	.....

“2.

	(a) Mechanical Down Time (Hours)	(b) Landing Problem Down Time (Hours)
1970 .....	200	102
1971 .....	150	68
1972 .....	5	85
1973 .....	5	119
1974 .....	34	68

“3. GVW of trucks not recorded; load limit is 25 tons (may be restricted by low and high-water).”

And then the House adjourned at 6.03 p.m.

**Thursday, April 17, 1975**

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)

The Chairman’s attention having been directed to the clock at the hour of 11 p.m., the Chairman rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker declared a short recess.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and, pursuant to Standing Orders, ordered the Member for South Peace River to withdraw from the House for the remainder of the sitting.

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

On the motion that the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o’clock a.m. tomorrow, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:



## YEAS—28

<i>Liden</i>	<i>Rolston</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Skelly</i>
<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Dent</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Nunweiler</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>Cummings</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>
<i>Kelly</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Radford</i>
<i>Steves</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Cocke</i>
<i>Anderson, G. H.</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Levi</i>

## NAYS—11

<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Morrison</i>	<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	

And then the House adjourned at 11.25 p.m.

## Friday, April 18, 1975

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Philip Calkins*.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *A. B. Macdonald*, Bill (No. 46) intituled *Police Amendment Act, 1975*.

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, Bill (No. 64) intituled *Indian Reserves Mineral Resources Act Repeal Act*.

Mr. *Phillips* asked leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the time allocated for the discussion of Estimates.

Mr. Speaker stated that he was of the opinion that the matter raised by the honourable member did not satisfy the requirement of Standing Order 35 in that urgency of debate at this time was not indicated.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Without the Committee rising, the Chairman reported that, during consideration of Vote 168, a motion was made that the Committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, and the Chairman had declined to propose the question under Standing Order 44 on the ground that the motion offered was an abuse of the rules and privileges of the House.

The Chairman's ruling was challenged.

The Chairman's ruling was sustained on the following division:

YEAS—27

<i>Liden</i>	<i>Cummings</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Skelly</i>
<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Radford</i>
<i>Steves</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Anderson, G. H.</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Cocke</i>
<i>Rolston</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	

NAYS—16

<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Anderson, D. A.</i>	<i>Phillips</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Bennett</i>
<i>Schroeder</i>	<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Morrison</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Jordan</i>

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.03 p.m.

## Monday, April 21, 1975

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Tom McPike*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

**17** Mr. Bennett asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:

1. What, if any, is the total authorized expenditure for renovations to the main Parliament Buildings between January 31, 1974, and February 18, 1975?
2. What is the total amount authorized for Ministers' executive suites?
3. What is the actual expenditure for Ministers' executive suites to date?

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* replied as follows:

- "1. \$3,413,886.39.
- "2. Project costs, due to the nature of the work, have not been tabulated on the basis requested.
- "3. Detailed breakdowns are therefore not available."

And then the House adjourned at 6.08 p.m.

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## Tuesday, April 22, 1975

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *R. C. Nelson*.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Schroeder* presented a petition as follows:

*To the Honourable the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia  
in Legislature Assembled:*

The petition of the undersigned, Andy Shadrack, City of Nelson, humbly showeth:

That I respectfully and earnestly object and protest against the curtailment of the Student Summer Employment Programmes, and therefore present to your Honourable Assembly a petition on behalf of the residents in the Nelson area of British Columbia:

Wherefore your petitioner humbly prays that your Honourable House may be pleased to recommend that the Student Summer Employment Programme be not cut for the summer of 1975.

And as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

Dated April 22, 1975.

A. SHADRACK

By leave of the House, Mrs. *Jordan* presented a petition as follows:

*To the Honourable the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia  
in Legislature Assembled:*

The petition of the undersigned, S. Locking, of the City of Winfield, British Columbia, humbly showeth:

That I respectfully and earnestly object and protest against the disregard for the terms and conditions established under the *Public Utilities Act* with respect to services rendered by Woodsdale Utilities Limited on property known as Hillcrest Properties Limited, Winfield, British Columbia:

Wherefore your petitioner humbly prays that your Honourable House may be pleased to recommend that the Water Rights Branch of the Province of British Columbia ensures that the terms and conditions set under the *Public Utilities Act* with respect to Hillcrest Properties Limited at Winfield, British Columbia, be observed on behalf of the petitioner.

And as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

Dated April 22, 1975.

S. LOCKING

On the motion of the Hon. *A. B. Macdonald*, Bill (No. 48) intituled *Mortgage Brokers Amendment Act, 1975* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Committee further reported that during consideration of Vote 126 the Committee divided on a motion to rise and report progress, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Gibson* the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—33

<i>Liden</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Radford</i>
<i>Kelly</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Young</i>
<i>Steves</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Cocke</i>
<i>Anderson, G. H.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>
<i>Rolston</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Nunweiler</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>
<i>Cummings</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Levi</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>			

NAYS—14

<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Bennett</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Morrison</i>	<i>Anderson, D. A.</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Curtis</i>	<i>McGeer</i>		

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Mr. Speaker declared a recess until 8.30 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House recessed at 6.10 p.m.

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)

His attention having been drawn to the clock at the hour of 11 p.m., the Chairman left the chair without the question being put.

Pursuant to Standing Order 22, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.07 p.m.

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**Wednesday, April 23, 1975**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Brig. *Thomas Smith*.

Pursuant to Standing Order 76 (3), E. G. MacMinn, Deputy Clerk, read the following Report:

REPORT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
April 23, 1975

IN THE MATTER OF

The petitions presented to the House on the 22nd day of April 1975 by the Member for Chilliwack and the Member for North Okanagan.

Standing Order 73 (5) provides that “. . . the signatures of at least three petitioners shall be subscribed on the sheet containing the prayer of the petition.” The said petitions do not contain the signatures of at least three petitioners thereon and, accordingly, do not comply with Standing Orders.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. M. HORNE, *Clerk of the House*

On the motion of Mr. *Gabelmann*, Bill (No. 66) intituled *British Columbia Noise Control Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

By leave of the House, the Hon. *R. M. Strachan* (Minister of Transport and Communications) presented the *Government Aircraft Passenger Logs, 1974/75*.

**18** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:

1. Has the Provincial Government called any tenders for a supply of rugs to be delivered to the Bellamy Building, 619 Johnson Street, Victoria?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what yardage of rugs was involved in the tender, (b) what was the price per yard of the bids received, (c) what was the price per yard of the successful bidder if the tender was awarded, and (d) what was the total?

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* replied as follows:

"1 and 2. No tenders let for rugs to be delivered to 619 Johnson Street."

**69** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:

With respect to office accommodation rented or leased by or on behalf of any department or agency of the Provincial Government, at the present time—

1. How many square feet of space are located in Greater Vancouver, and what is the monthly cost of this space?

2. How many square feet of space are located in Greater Victoria, and what is the monthly cost of this space?

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* replied as follows:

"1. Greater Vancouver: Total square footage of space leased or rented, 821,117; total monthly cost, \$325,303.28.

"2. Greater Victoria: Total square footage of space leased or rented, 1,089,615; total monthly cost, \$300,959.68."

**104** Mrs. *Jordan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:

With respect to the gold and silver filigree in the Parliament Buildings and other Government buildings—

1. What is the total cost of the materials purchased between September 30, 1972, to date?

2. From whom was it purchased?

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* replied as follows:

"1. The cost of materials for gold and aluminum filigree between September 30, 1972, and today is \$12,797.21.

"2. Purchases were from: Sherwin-Williams Paint Company, Behnsen Silk Screen Supply Company, Bapco Paint Company, B. & S. Thompson and Company Limited, M. Swift and Company (Canada) Limited, and Sheffield Bronze Powder Company."

**112** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:

1. What, if any, was the total office space rented or leased by the Department of Public Works, within the boundaries of the Capital Regional District, as of September 15, 1972?

2. What was the total rental or lease payable, on a monthly basis, as of September 15, 1972?

3. What, if any, is the total space rented or leased on behalf of all Government departments as of February 18, 1975, within the boundaries of the Capital Regional District?

4. What is the total rental or lease payable on all rental or leased space, within the boundaries of the Capital Regional District, as of February 18, 1975, on a monthly basis?

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* replied as follows:

"1. 685,771.5 square feet.

"2. \$90,611.14.

"3. 1,358,278.74 square feet.

"4. \$301,910.25."

And then the House adjourned at 6.02 p.m.

**Thursday, April 24, 1975**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *E. A. Follows*.

On the motion of Mr. *Bennett*, Bill (No. 67) intituled *The Truth in Autoplan Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.  
 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 8.30 o'clock p.m. today.

The Hon. *R. M. Strachan* (Minister of Transport and Communications) presented the First Report of the Department of Transport and Communications, January 1, 1973, to March 31, 1974.

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* (Minister of Public Works) presented the Annual Report of the Department of Public Works for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1974.

The Hon. *R. A. Williams* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources) presented the Annual Report of the British Columbia Lands Service for the year ended December 31, 1974. (In manuscript form.)

**3** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:  
 With respect to the \$25,000,000 *Green Belt Protection Fund Act* introduced by the former Government in February 1972—

1. What is the total amount of money spent under the Act between January 31, 1974, and the latest date for which figures are available?

2. What is the location and price paid with respect to each acquisition in the period stated in No. 1?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. The total amount of money spent under the *Green Belt Protection Fund Act* between January 31, 1974, and the latest date for which figures are available is \$6,292,355.23; of this amount, \$5,676.69 is incidental expense.

"2. The location and price paid with respect to each acquisition in the period stated in No. 1 is as follows: (a) Naikoon Provincial Park, Tlell, \$130,000; (b) Delkatla Marsh near Masset, \$127,787; (c) Antler's Saddle north of Summerland, \$110,000; (d) Columbia Lake-Lardeau River area, \$1,478,800; (e) Burnaby Municipality, Burrard Inlet, \$620,000; (f) Rattlesnake Island, Okanagan Lake, \$40,000; (g) Pine River, \$27,034.94; (h) Reid Property, Wharf Street, Victoria, \$1,700,000; (i) Dunsmuir Farm, Gp. 2, NWD, Mud Bay, Crescent Beach area, \$313,905; (j) Brown Estate, Gp. 2, NWD, Mud Bay, Crescent Beach area, \$110,036.40; (k) Mud Bay, Gp. 2, NWD, Crescent Beach area, \$190,000; (l) Lakelse Lake, \$30,000; (m) Swan Lake-Christmas Hill, Saanich, \$97,000; (n) Swan Lake-Christmas Hill, Saanich, \$127,500; (o) Courtenay River estuary, \$97,135.20; (p) Haynes Point Park, Osoyoos, \$125,600; (q) Galiano Island, \$165,000; (r) Tofino area, \$280,000; (s) North Arm Fraser River, Burnaby, \$180,000; (t) Blue River, \$25,000; (u) Saltspring Island, \$180,000; (v) Esquimalt, \$54,000; (w) Fort St. James, \$34,500; (x) Sproat River, Alberni, \$19,380; (y) Cowichan area, \$24,000; total, \$6,286,678.54."



**61** Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Transport and Communications the following questions:

1. Are any employees of ICBC under a contract of service or a contract of employment with it?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, are they verbal or written contracts, or a combination of both, furnishing full particulars in each case, e.g., as to duration, amount of payment, if any, in lieu of such service or employment?

The Hon. *R. M. Strachan* replied as follows:

"1 and 2. No."

**77** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With respect to the *Green Belt Protection Fund Act*—

1. What is the total amount of money spent under the Act between March 1, 1974, and the latest date for which figures are available?

2. What is the location and price paid with respect to each acquisition in the period stated in No. 1?

3. In addition to the legal description of each parcel so acquired, what is the commonly used description or identification of each parcel which has been purchased under this Act, in the same period stated above?

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

**82** Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:

With respect to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs and Housing and the following persons: Prof. Arthur Becker, University of Wisconsin; Dr. Jack Knetsch, Simon Fraser University; and Mr. Jonathan Rowe, Washington, D.C., who appeared before this Committee in 1974—

What was the total cost for travel, accommodation, expenses, and fees, if any, incurred by the Government or any of its agencies for the appearance by these persons before the Committee?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"Prof. Arthur Becker, honorarium and travel expense, \$1,008.61; Prof. Jack Knetsch, travel expense, \$74.75; Mr. Jonathan Rowe, honorarium and travel expense, \$932.66."

**123** Mr. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:

1. Is Dr. Hugh Keenleyside presently acting as consultant to, or in any capacity employed by, the Provincial Government?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) to which department of Government is Dr. Keenleyside providing services, (b) what are the terms of reference and his specific duties, and (c) is there any deadline by which his duties are to be completed?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources and Department of the Attorney-General; (b) for the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, a member of the Copper Task Force Committee, acting in a capacity of adviser; and for the Department of the Attorney-General, consultant on an Inquiry into the

Fire-fighting Services of British Columbia; the survey will consider the needs of all fire services, full time, part paid, part volunteer, and the volunteer brigades *re* standards of service excellence to be set; better training programs and facilities beyond the present travelling instructional units; upgrading the status of the Provincial Fire Marshal's Office and the question of establishing district offices in a number of Interior points in the Province; improved assistance to local fire forces, particularly those municipal forces with few or none paid officers; the need to extend the fire-protection services to areas of the Province where at present the local RCMP officer is the sole fire brigade; and (c) no."

**132** Mr. *Bennett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following question:

With respect to Government advertising accounts: What is the total advertising expense paid out with respect to Government departments to Foster Advertising Limited between March 31, 1974, and the latest date for which figures are available?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"Between April 1, 1974, and February 28, 1975, \$717,148.73."

And then the House adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

## Thursday, April 24, 1975

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)

The Chairman's attention having been drawn to the clock, he left the chair and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion that the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—30

<i>Liden</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>Young</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Kelly</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Steves</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Cocke</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Nunweiler</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>
<i>Anderson, G. H.</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>
<i>Rolston</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Radford</i>	<i>Levi</i>
<i>Dent</i>	<i>Hall</i>		

## NAYS—13

Gibson  
Gardom  
Schroeder  
Morrison

Curtis  
McClelland  
Wallace

Williams, L. A.  
Anderson, D. A.  
Chabot

Bennett  
Smith  
Jordan

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

## Friday, April 25, 1975

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. Hale*.

The Hon. *W. L. Hartley* (Minister of Public Works) rose on a matter of privilege relating to statements made by the Honourable Member for Columbia River during the discussion of the Minister's Estimates on April 24. The statements in question were withdrawn.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *J. G. Lorimer* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) made a statement relating to the distribution of additional revenues to the municipalities of British Columbia.

The Hon. *R. M. Strachan* (Minister of Transport and Communications) presented the Second Annual Report of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia for the fiscal year March 1, 1974, to February 28, 1975.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

The Hon. *R. M. Strachan* (Minister of Transport and Communications) filed an addendum to the Return tabled on March 10, 1975, in answer to Question 60.

And then the House adjourned at 1.02 p.m.