

Monday, March 29th, 1954.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *E. J. Staley*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

That from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund there may be paid and applied a sum not exceeding in the whole seventeen million dollars toward defraying the several charges and expenses of the public service of the Province for the fiscal year ending the thirty-first day of March, 1955, not otherwise provided for, and being substantially but not exceeding one-twelfth of the amount of each of the several items set forth in the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending the thirty-first day of March, 1955, as laid before the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the present Session.

The Committee reported the Resolution.
Report to be considered forthwith.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Resolution read a second time, taken as read, read a third time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, it was *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair for the House to go into Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS.)

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

That from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund there may be paid and applied a sum not exceeding in the whole seventeen million dollars toward defraying the several charges and expenses of the public service of the Province for the fiscal year ending the thirty-first day of March, 1955, not otherwise provided for, and being substantially but not exceeding one-twelfth of the amount of each of the several items set forth in the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending the thirty-first day of March, 1955, as laid before the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the present Session.

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

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* presented Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the Bill.

Resolution reported.

Report considered forthwith and adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion that Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Insurance Act'" be now read a second time, a debate arose.

The motion was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—42.

Messieurs

<i>Haggen</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Parker</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Segur</i>	<i>Moore</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Newton</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Winch</i>	<i>Arsens, Mrs.</i>	<i>Moxham</i>
<i>Squire</i>	<i>Webster</i>	<i>Sommers</i>	<i>Matthew</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Turner</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Bruch</i>
<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Chant</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Chetwynd</i>
<i>Howard</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>
<i>Giovando</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Shantz</i>	<i>Tomlinson</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Harding</i>	<i>Price</i>		

NAYS—5.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Gibbs</i>
<i>Laing</i>			

Bill *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1950,'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Construction Act, 1953,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Development Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Construction Act, 1950,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Social Services Tax Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Tuesday, March 30th, 1954.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Father *F. D. McHugh*.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:—

Honourable Members,—A division in Committee of the Whole House is a proper procedure, but, by our Standing Orders, it may not be recorded in the Journals.

In taking a vote, parliamentary practice does not recognize a count by a show of hands, although it would be in order for the Speaker to ask for a show of hands in case of doubt.

When the vote on any motion is taken, the Speaker or Chairman, judging by the volume of voices, announces either the "yeas" or the "nays," as the case may be, have it. If this is questioned by a member, it is by way of a call for a division. When the division is complete and the announcement of the Speaker or Chairman is an announcement of a fact—namely, that the "yeas" have it or the "nays" have it, as the case may be—from this there is no appeal from the Speaker to the House, nor from the Chairman to the Speaker as there is in the case of an appeal from the decision or opinion on a point of order or otherwise. A point of order may be raised during a division but it must be done by a member seated in his place. This is the only occasion upon which a member may speak while seated, but it is obviously necessary during a division, as many of the members may already be seated.

When a Bill is called for consideration in Committee of the Whole House, after the second reading, the Chairman should first call section No. 1, pursuant to Standing Order 84, which says: "In proceedings in Committee of the Whole House upon Bills, the preamble shall be first postponed and then every clause considered by the Committee in its proper order, the preamble and title to be last considered."

It has been our practice to commence with section No. 2, under the mistaken impression that section No. 1 is the title to the Bill. It is not the title of the Bill; it is the title to be given to the Act when passed. The title to the Bill is at the top of the Bill and generally commences "An Act to amend" or "An Act" to do some specific thing; for instance, presently before the House, Bill No. 18. The title to this Bill is "An Act respecting the City of Kaslo," whereas the title to the Act to be is "City of Kaslo Boundaries Definition Act."

The title to the Bill is given and it has been proved that it should be considered last for the reason that, after consideration of the Bill, care must be taken that all the provisions of the Bill are within the purview of the title, otherwise the title would have to be amended to embrace the Bill.

Again, the preamble is quite properly deferred until after consideration of the provisions of the Bill, but in practically all Public Bills there is no preamble. Private Bills invariably should have a preamble.

You will note that the Bill referred to above, No. 18, has a preamble; although a Public Bill, more properly it should have been a Private Bill, as it does not concern the Province as a whole.

We have been considering the enacting clause, which reads as follows: "Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows."

This is probably due to the erroneous belief that this clause was a preamble. That is not so. *May*, 13th edition, page 404, says, in reference to consideration of Bills in Committee: "No amendments can be moved to the granting or enacting words of a Bill for granting aids or supplies to the Crown or to the enacting words of other Bills. Those words are part of the framework of the Bill and are never submitted to the Committee."

Therefore, it is not proper to submit a preamble to the Committee where there is no preamble.

T. J. IRWIN, *Speaker*.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Social Services Tax Act'" was again committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion that the Bill be now read a third time, Mr. *Webster* moved, seconded by Mr. *Winch*,—

Section 7: To insert the following as section 7:—

"7. (1) Section 5 is amended by striking out the words 'prepared meals consumed on the premises where sold' in the second and third lines of clause (a).

"(2) Section 5 is further amended by adding the words 'and all fuel and light used for domestic purposes' to clause (b).

"(3) Section 5 is further amended by adding the words 'and all drugs and medical supplies for use in hospitals' to clause (f).

"(4) Section 5, as amended by chapter 36 of the Statutes of 1953 (Second Session), is further amended by striking out all words after the word 'premises' in the first line of clause (n).

"(5) By renumbering the present section 7 as section 8 and inserting the word 'further' before the word 'amended' where it occurs in the first line.

"(6) Section 5 is further amended by adding as clause (p):—

"“(p) All supplies for the use of cities and municipalities.”

"(7) By renumbering sections 8 and 9 as sections 9 and 10 respectively."

On a point of order being raised, the Speaker held the amendment to be in order.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion moved by Mr. *Webster* was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—20.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Gibbs</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Laing</i>	<i>Moore</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch</i>
<i>Haggen</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Webster</i>
<i>Segur</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Turner</i>

NAYS—26.

Messieurs

<i>Chant</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Tomlinson</i>	<i>Bruch</i>
<i>Bate</i>	<i>Arsens, Mrs.</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Chetwynd</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Sommers</i>	<i>Richter</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>
<i>Shantz</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Newton</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Reid</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Moxham</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Parker</i>	<i>Williston</i>		

Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by Mr. *Nimsick*,—

Section 8, line 6: To strike out the word “one-fifth” and to substitute in lieu thereof the word “one-third.”

On a point of order being raised, the Speaker ruled the amendment to be in order.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion moved by Mr. *Moore* was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—20.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Gibbs</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Laing</i>	<i>Moore</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch</i>
<i>Haggen</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Webster</i>
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<i>Shantz</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Newton</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Reid</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Moxham</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Parker</i>	<i>Williston</i>		

The Bill was read a third time on the following division:—

YEAS—26.

Messieurs

<i>Chant</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Tomlinson</i>	<i>Bruch</i>
<i>Bate</i>	<i>Arsens, Mrs.</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Chetwynd</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Sommers</i>	<i>Richter</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>
<i>Shantz</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Newton</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Reid</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Moxham</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Parker</i>	<i>Williston</i>		

NAYS—20.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Gibbs</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Laing</i>	<i>Moore</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch</i>
<i>Haggen</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Webster</i>
<i>Segur</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Turner</i>

And passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1950,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Insurance Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 30th, 1954.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Your Committee met the Advisory Board of Farmers' Institutes and heard the presentation of a list of resolutions as submitted by them. Careful consideration was given to these resolutions, and:—

- (1) Your Committee recommends the allotment of a larger proportion from the Budget to the Department of Agriculture for future years to provide necessary services to the farming industry of British Columbia:
- (2) Your Committee recommends initiation of a system of scholarships to help out suitable students with an interest or inclination toward veterinary work:
- (3) Whereas cheap electrical power is essential to-day for successful farm operation and to provide a reasonably high standard of living for farmers, and whereas rural electrification is generally considered as necessary to encourage the settlement in scattered areas and in areas that do not necessarily pay for themselves through purchase of electrical energy, your Committee recommends the extension of rural electrification as rapidly as possible by all power concerns in the Province with the utmost encouragement to hydro development within the Province to facilitate electrification, and that, wherever possible, funds be made available under section 107 of the "Electric Power Act," and that hydro power be made available in areas adjacent to the site where the power is developed:
- (4) In view of the fact that many farmers, due to physical or financial difficulties, are unable to pay taxes on their lands, and the further fact that in some cases side-roads do not receive any or, in other cases, adequate Government work, your Committee recommends that a farmer wishing to work out his taxes on the road may do so in the discretion of the engineer or Minister concerned:
- (5) Your Committee recommends that a Committee be set up to give assistance, supervision, and direction to co-operatives, and that the formation and organization of co-operatives and credit unions be further encouraged:
- (6) In view of the fact that the Pacific Great Eastern Railway is not only of vital importance to the entire Peace River area but is also of economic importance to the Province as a whole, your Committee recommends the

extension of this railway from Squamish to Vancouver and from Prince George to the Peace River area as expeditiously as possible:

- (7) Realizing that the cost of preventing river-bank erosion is prohibitive to the individual land-owner, your Committee recommends every effort to control erosion of our agricultural land and that departments of Government involved continue to work toward a concrete policy in this matter and continue to press the Federal Government for participation in this type of control work under the Federal "Conservation Act" of 1953:
- (8) Your Committee recommends consideration of the establishment of an agricultural school or college within the Province at some appropriate place.

Respectfully submitted.

L. H. SHANTZ, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Hon. L. Wicks presented the Annual Report of the Labour Relations Board for the Year ended December 31st, 1953.

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

1. What was the number of man-days lost through strikes in 1952?
2. What was the number of man-days lost through strikes in 1953?
3. What was the time-loss by industry in 1952 and how many employers and employees were affected?
4. What was the time-loss by industry in 1953 and how many employers and employees were affected?

The Hon. L. Wicks replied as follows:—

" 1. 1,234,120.

" 2. 260,335.

" 3. Analysis of time-loss by industry, 1952:—

Industry.	Number of Employers affected.	Number of Employees affected.	Time-loss in Man Working-days.
Logging, lumbering, and sawmills.....	162	33,584	1,035,298
Fisheries	42	9,600	102,000
Building trades	141	1,423	71,942
General contracting	7	1,265	8,326
Bakeries	3	156	7,515
Metal-mining	2	186	3,550
Metal trades	1	26	1,326
Entertainment	8	54	1,134
Manufacturing (jewellery)	7	56	952
Printing and publishing	2	134	670
Packing-houses	1	155	620
Garages	1	20	370
Electrical contracting	2	26	242
Manufacturing (building material).....	1	108	162
Miscellaneous trades and industries (office appliance salesmen and service clerks)	1	13	13
Totals	381	46,806	1,234,120

“ 4. Analysis of time-loss by industry, 1953:—

Industry.	Number of Em- ployers affected.	Number of Em- ployees affected.	Time-loss in Man Working-days.
Wood products (logging, lumbering, and sawmills)	61	3,290	173,380
Manufacturing	12	948	18,411
Wholesale trade	6	503	16,294
Metal-miners and mill-workers	1	101	15,756
Grain-elevator workers	5	275	15,350
Fisheries	14	1,500	10,500
Building trades	6	1,249	6,772
Public service	2	183	2,788
General contracting	4	146	1,052
Automotive repairs, garage service.....	1	8	24
Retail trade	1	4	8
Totals	113	8,207	260,335 ”

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.

Tuesday, March 30th, 1954.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “ Public Bills and Orders.”

Bill (No. 29) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Hospital Insurance Act ’” was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 2) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Deserted Wives’ and Children’s Maintenance Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Official Guardian Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 5) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Magistrates Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 6) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Wills Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 7) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ British Columbia University Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Fire Marshal Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 24) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘ Union College of British Columbia Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 27) intituled “An Act relating to the Victoria College Foundation.”

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,360 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

200. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,606 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

201. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,118 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1955.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$121,871 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Lands Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,968 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Inspection Division, to 31st March, 1955.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,954 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1955.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,292 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1955.

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,131 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Special Commitments, to 31st March, 1955.

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$328,050 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Legal Division, to 31st March, 1955.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,154 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Geographic Division, to 31st March, 1955.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$272,894 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Topographic Division, to 31st March, 1955.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$279,577 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Air Division, to 31st March, 1955.

212. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$246,301 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,225 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Hydraulic Surveys, to 31st March, 1955.

214. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$80,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Fraser River Basin Board, to 31st March, 1955.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, B.C. Hydro-metric Stream-gauging, to 31st March, 1955.

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Grant—British Columbia Natural Resources Conference, to 31st March, 1955.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,679 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, "Soldiers' Land Act, 1918" (Southern Okanagan Lands Project), to 31st March, 1955.

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Recoverable Expenditure, "Soldiers' Land Act, 1918"—Houses, South Vancouver, to 31st March, 1955.

219 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, "University Endowment Lands Administration Act," to 31st March, 1955.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,115,633 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Salaries, to 31st March, 1955.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$950,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Expenses, to 31st March, 1955.

222. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$413,113 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1955.

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

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

REPORT NO. 14.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

MR. SPEAKER:

March 30th, 1954.

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

That your Committee has considered Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922,'" and, on the grounds that the enactment prayed for would not be in the public interest, in that it would appear to be contrary to the desire of the majority of the real-property owners in the area affected, recommends that the said Bill be not further proceeded with, and the sum of \$300 fees be refunded.

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.36 p.m.

Wednesday, March 31st, 1954.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. C. W. Parker.

TWO FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK P.M.

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

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

- (No. 9) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Construction Act, 1953."
- (No. 11) An Act to amend the "Highway Development Act."
- (No. 12) An Act to amend the "Hospital Construction Act, 1950."
- (No. 20) An Act to amend the "Social Services Tax Act."
- (No. 22) An Act to repeal the "Vancouver Enabling Act, 1950."
- (No. 29) An Act to amend the "Hospital Insurance Act."

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

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

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

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

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

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$732,194 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Provincial Parks, to 31st March, 1955.

224. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$173,925 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Management, to 31st March, 1955.

225. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$65,209 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1955.

226. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Public Relations (Forest), to 31st March, 1955.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,045 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Ranger School, to 31st March, 1955.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March, 1955.

229. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$46,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1955.

230. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Rentals, to 31st March, 1955.

231. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$130,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March, 1955.

232. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$277,217 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Engineering Services, to 31st March, 1955.

233 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Protection Fund, to 31st March, 1955.

234. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Reserve Account, to 31st March, 1955.

235. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Scaling Fund, to 31st March, 1955.

236 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Silviculture Fund, to 31st March, 1955.

237 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Grazing—Range Improvement Fund, to 31st March, 1955.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$114,410 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$164,176 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

241. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$57,742 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Analytical and Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

242. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$145,304 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

243. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1955.

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March, 1955.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grub-staking Prospectors, to 31st March, 1955.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy *re* Explosives to Assist Bona Fide Prospectors, to 31st March, 1955.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Interprovincial Committee on Mining, to 31st March, 1955.

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1955.

249 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Iron and Steel Bounties Act," to 31st March, 1955.

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

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* presented the Report of the Director of New Haven for the Year ended December 31st, 1953.

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

1. Who are the Commissioners of the Workmen's Compensation Board?
2. What are the respective dates of their appointment?
3. What are the expiry dates of their respective terms of office?
4. What is the length and nature of Mr. Allison's appointment?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

"1. Adam Bell, Chairman; Ernest V. Ablett, member; Christopher W. Pritchard, member; and Wallace M. Allison, member.

"2. Adam Bell, September 1st, 1946; Ernest V. Ablett, December 1st, 1948; Christopher W. Pritchard, May 1st, 1953; and Wallace M. Allison, January 21st, 1954.

"3. Adam Bell, August 31st, 1956; Ernest V. Ablett, November 30th, 1958; Christopher W. Pritchard, April 30th, 1963; and Wallace M. Allison, *see* No. 4.

"4. Mr. Allison's appointment is *pro tempore* and his term of office will expire upon the return of Mr. Bell, who is convalescing after an automobile accident."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, March 31st, 1954.

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.)

291. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,646 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

292. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,385,014 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

293. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$92,240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Mechanical Supervision and Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

294. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$587,126 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1955.

295. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,872 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1955.

296. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,759,158 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government Buildings (Maintenance) (except Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1955.

297. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Rentals, to 31st March, 1955.

298. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,360,106 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1955.

299. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge, to 31st March, 1955.

300. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Snow-removal, to 31st March, 1955.

301. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Highways within Municipal Limits, to 31st March, 1955.

302. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Vehicle Damage Claims, etc., to 31st March, 1955.

303. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$130,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Highway Signs, Signals, Traffic-control, etc., to 31st March, 1955.

304. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Research and Testing Services, to 31st March, 1955.

305. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Gravel-crushing, to 31st March, 1955.

306. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1955.

307. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,542 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1955.

308. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1955.

309. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Equipment Fund, to 31st March, 1955.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.12 p.m.

Thursday, April 1st, 1954.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. W. McPherson*.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*—Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Libraries Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. *R. E. Sommers*—Bill (No. 37) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘University Endowment Lands Administration Act.’”

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

C. WALLACE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
March 30th, 1954.

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. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Mines 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.

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

C. WALLACE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
March 30th, 1954.

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 to amend the 'Revenue 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.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,048 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,604 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

258. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$355,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, (a) Grants to Homes for Elderly Citizens and (b) Grants to Children's Homes, to 31st March, 1955.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$123,039 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1955.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants *re* Civil Service—Gratuities under Sec. 76 of "Civil Service Act," to 31st March, 1955.

261. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

262. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants, Retiring Allowances, to 31st March, 1955.

263 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Superannuation Act," to 31st March, 1955.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Teachers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1955.

265. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Queen's Printer, to 31st March, 1955.

266. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,274 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1955.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1955.

268. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Schedule Bond, to 31st March, 1955.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1955.

270. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, to provide Assistance to B.C. Provincial Government Employees' Medical Services, to 31st March, 1955.

271. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$230,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Charitable and Other Associations, to 31st March, 1955.

272. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Victoria, to 31st March, 1955.

273. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,212 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Collections Office, to 31st March, 1955.

274. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Farms, to 31st March, 1955.

275. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$109,956 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Health Services, Headquarters, to 31st March, 1955.

276. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$127,464 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Health Services, Preventive Services (including Child Guidance Clinics), to 31st March, 1955.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,625,032 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Health Services, Provincial Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1955.

278. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Health Services, Mental Health Care (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1955.

279. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,026,062 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Homes for the Aged, to 31st March, 1955.

280. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, General Administration and Training, to 31st March, 1955.

281. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, Compensation for Injuries, Civil Defence Workers, to 31st March, 1955.

282. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$132,616 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, Civil Defence Matching Funds, to 31st March, 1955.

283. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, Standardization of Hose-couplings, to 31st March, 1955.

284 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "An Act to provide for the Payment of an Allowance to Frederick Arthur Pauline," to 31st March, 1955.

285 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$74,783 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Provincial Elections Act," to 31st March, 1955.

286 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Inquiries Act," to 31st March, 1955.

287 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Statutory Requirements pursuant to "Civil Service Superannuation Act," to 31st March, 1955.

288. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Retiring Allowance—"Civil Service Act," Sec. 69, and other Government Employees, to 31st March, 1955.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,184 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,925 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Administration of the Estates of the Insane, to 31st March, 1955.

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$59,635 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1955.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1955.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Revision of Municipal Legislation, to 31st March, 1955.

312. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,430 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

313. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,494 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

314. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,980 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, British Columbia Government Travel Bureau, to 31st March, 1955.

315. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$183,896 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, to 31st March, 1955.

316. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,922 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Industrial and Trade Office, to 31st March, 1955.

317. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Advertising and Publicity, to 31st March, 1955.

318. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$165,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Grants—British Columbia Research Council, to 31st March, 1955.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,887 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

310. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

311. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,642 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

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

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

1. Pursuant to section 57, subsection (1), of the "Workmen's Compensation Act," has the Compensation Board made its report for the calendar year 1953?
2. If so, when will this report be laid before the Legislature?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. This report was filed in the House on March 2nd, 1954."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Thursday, April 1st, 1954.

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.)

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,032 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1955.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.13 p.m.

Friday, April 2nd, 1954.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Major C. J. Millay.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:—

Honourable Members,—At the afternoon sitting of this House on March 30th last, on the Order being called for third reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Social Services Tax Act,’” two amendments to the Bill were proposed, both of a material nature.

Upon a point of order as to such amendment being permissible at this stage of a Bill, I ruled, with some misgiving, that the proposed amendments were in order.

After study of the relevant authorities, and upon further consideration of this intricate question, I have reached the conclusion that I should have held the proposed amendments out of order for the reasons hereinafter mentioned.

In order thoroughly to appreciate what follows there must be a clear understanding of the difference between “the Order for reading” of a Bill at any stage and the “reading.”

By way of example, let me point out that, after the first reading of a Bill, the agreement to the motion “that the Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading to-morrow” or, as the case may be, is the Order for second reading and when that Order is duly called on a subsequent day and the motion “that the Bill be now read a second time” is agreed to; that is, the second reading.

Similarly (and passing over the committee stage) when the Bill is reported to the House and the question, “when shall the Bill be read a third time?” has been answered by “now” or “to-morrow” or as the case may be. This constitutes the “Order for third reading” as distinct from third reading which is embodied in the agreement to the motion “that the Bill be read a third time now.”

When the Order for third reading of a Bill is called, the Bill is open to further amendment, but the scope and nature of such amendment is strictly limited. The British House of Commons has a Standing Order 53 which reads as follows: “No amendments, not being merely verbal, shall be made to any Bill on the third reading.”

This Standing Order was adopted almost one hundred years ago and, as it was in force when this Legislature first sat in 1872, it is applicable to the proceedings in this House, although not contained in our Standing Orders.

It may be stated here that a verbal amendment is one which alters the words of a phrase, sentence, or section without altering its purport or meaning and is for purposes of clarification only. Redlich throws further light on this matter (Vol. III, page 98) where he states, when considering the question of amendment on third reading, “In the Commons only grammatical and verbal amendments may be made.”

It follows that an amendment, other than a verbal amendment, may not be made to a Bill on third reading, and if proposed at that stage, would have to be ruled out of order.

From the foregoing it must not be assumed that a Bill having reached the stage where the Order for third reading is called is incapable of material amendment. At this stage a Bill may still be amended in a material manner, but only after a motion has been agreed to discharge the Order for third reading and recommitting the Bill. The procedure to be followed in such case is established by Standing Order 86, which reads as follows:—

“When the Order of the Day for the third reading of any Bill is read, any member desiring to recommit the same must move to discharge the Order and to recommit the Bill, and, upon such motion being resolved in the affirmative, the member shall give notice of the instructions proposed to be given (if any), and such instructions shall not be taken into consideration before the next sitting of the House.”

This procedure also operates to debar the proposal anew and debate on third reading of an amendment already negatived in the Committee of the Whole.

I have gone to greater length than is usual in an opinion of this nature to the end that all members may be better informed on the intricate and frequently misunderstood point involved.

T. J. IRWIN, *Speaker*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, Bill (No. 39) intituled “An Act respecting the Village of Kinnaird” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Gregory*, Bill (No. 42) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Highway Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time on the 8th instant.

On the motion of Mr. *Tisdalle*, Bill (No. 36) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Greater Victoria Water District Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters.

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

C. WALLACE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 10) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Teachers’ Pensions Act,’” enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 25th, 1954.

(ENCLOSURE.)

To strike out section 2 and to substitute the following:—

“2. Section 4 of the ‘Teachers’ Pensions Act,’ being chapter 334 of the ‘Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1948,’ is amended by adding the following as subsection (6):—

“(6) Effective the first day of July, 1954, every teacher’s pension or other allowance shall be recalculated as if the provisions of this Act had been in effect on the date on which the allowance was granted, except that the retirement annuity shall be deemed to be that portion of the original allowance purchased by the contributions made by the employee. Where the recalculation produces a smaller allowance than was being paid in June, 1954, no reduction shall be made. Where the recalculation produces a larger allowance than was being paid in June, 1954, the increase shall commence to be payable as and from the first day of July, 1954. The amount of such increase shall be paid monthly from the Service Pensions Account.”

To insert the following section:—

“3. Section 9 is amended by striking out the amendment made by chapter 82 of the Statutes of 1951 and substituting ‘and except in the case of any employee whose continuity of contributions has been approved under subsection (3) of section 27.’”

To renumber sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 as sections 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 respectively.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the amendments 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 that the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 10) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Teachers’ Pensions Act,’” a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, be introduced and referred to the Committee having in charge the said Bill.

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “Public Bills and Orders.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to borrow the Sum of Thirty million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.”

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Laing*, the debate was again adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Small Debts Courts Act.’”

Bill (No. 4) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Credit Unions Act.’”

Bill (No. 10) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Teachers’ Pensions Act.’”

Bill (No. 13) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act.’”

Bill (No. 14) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act, 1949.’”

Bill (No. 15) intituled “An Act respecting Natural, Manufactured, and Mixed Gas.”

Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Land Act.’”

Bill (No. 18) intituled “An Act respecting the City of Kaslo.”

Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Works Fair Wages and Conditions of Employment Act.’”

Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Libraries Act.’”

Bill (No. 30) intituled “An Act to adjust the Indebtedness of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 31) intituled “An Act respecting the Slaughtering of Animals and the Inspection, Storage, Handling, and Preparation of Meat and Meat Products.”

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Mines Act.'"

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Lands Administration Act.'"

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways, to be reported not later than Wednesday, the 7th instant.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act,' " a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Howard*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Official Guardian Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Magistrates Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Union College of British Columbia Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act relating to the Victoria College Foundation" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the Order for "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions" was called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Howard* on the 17th instant, as follows:—

Be it Resolved, That this House recommends to the Government that it consider the advisability of establishing, within the Department of Labour, a Women's Bureau, whose duties generally would be to formulate standards and policies which would promote the welfare of women in British Columbia, improve their working conditions, advance their opportunities for profitable employment, provide leadership in matters affecting the social and economic status of women, and which would have the authority to investigate all matters pertaining to the welfare of women in industry, to establish fact-finding and research facilities, to furnish unbiased and reliable information concerning women workers, their training, earnings, conditions, opportunities, long-term trends, effect of technological changes, etc.

The debate continued.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—17.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Laing</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Webster</i>
<i>Segur</i>	<i>Gibbs</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Eddie</i>			

NAYS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Chant</i>	<i>Sommers</i>	<i>Richter</i>	<i>Chetwynd</i>
<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Newton</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>
<i>Reid</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Moxham</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Parker</i>	<i>Tomlinson</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Arsens, Mrs.</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>		

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Giovando</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Moore</i>	<i>Williston</i>
<i>Haggen</i>	<i>Corbett</i>
<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Shantz</i>

The Hon. *W. D. Black* presented the report, together with the supporting submissions, of the Public Documents Committee, established pursuant to the "Public Documents Disposal Act," and moved that the report be referred to the Select Standing Committee of the Legislative Assembly on Printing, and further, that, after the said Select Standing Committee has made its recommendations to the House, the report and the supporting submissions be returned to the Public Documents Committee.

Motion agreed to.

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

1. How many strikes were there in 1952 in British Columbia?
2. Of the strikes in effect in 1952, how many (a) involved unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labour and Trades and Labour Council, (b) involved unions affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organization and the Canadian Congress of Labour, and (c) involved independent unions?
3. How many employers were affected by strikes in which (a) unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labour and the Trades and Labour Council were involved, (b) unions affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organization and the Canadian Congress of Labour were involved, and (c) independent unions were involved?
4. What are the figures for the year 1953 with respect to Nos. 1, 2, and 3?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

- " 1. 36.
- " 2. (a) 22, (b) 7, and (c) 7.
- " 3. (a) 170, (b) 166, and (c) 45.
- " 4. Figures for 1953:—

Union Affiliation.	Number of Strikes.	Number of Employers affected.
A.F.L.-T.L.C. -----	16	21
C.I.O.-C.C.L. -----	17	76
Independent -----	2	15
Unorganized -----	1	1

" Total number of strikes, 36."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.10 p.m.

Monday, April 5th, 1954.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Father *J. P. Farrell*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$239,689 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Administration, to 31st March, 1955.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,014 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Board of Industrial Relations, to 31st March, 1955.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,996 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1955.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$69,576 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Apprenticeship Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,475 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Trade-schools Regulation Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$102,662 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Branch, to 31st March, 1955.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Labour Relations Board, to 31st March, 1955.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,948 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, "Indian Inquiry Act," to 31st March, 1955.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,472 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Rentals Control Office, to 31st March, 1955.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Motor-vehicles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1955.

319. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,885,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital Insurance Service, to 31st March, 1955.

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

Mr. *Bate* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 5th, 1954.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways begs leave to report as follows:—

The undermentioned Bill was referred to your Committee.

Your Committee has considered the provisions of the said Bill favourably and recommends unanimously that the Bill be allowed to proceed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. A. BATE, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas" was *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and, on the motion of the Hon. *R. E. Sommers*, seconded by the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*, it was *Ordered*,—

That, by leave of the House, the Rules be suspended to permit the moving of a motion without notice that the Report of Stevenson and Kellogg Limited on Survey of Lands Service, Department of Lands and Forests, dated January, 1951, and the Report on Survey of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, 1951, tabled by the Hon. Minister of Lands and Forests on February 26th, 1953, be disposed of by the Clerk by delivering the same to the Minister of Lands and Forests.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and, on the motion of the Hon. *R. E. Sommers*, seconded by the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Report of Stevenson and Kellogg Limited on Survey of Lands Service, Department of Lands and Forests, dated January, 1951, and the Report on Survey of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, 1951, tabled by the Hon. Minister of Lands and Forests on February, 1953, be disposed of by the Clerk by delivering the same to the Minister of Lands and Forests.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Nimsick* was withdrawn:—

This House is of the opinion that an humble address should be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that His Honour will cause to be conveyed to the Federal Government the opinion of this House that action should be taken to abolish capital punishment.

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

What was the number of man-days lost through strikes in each of the following years: 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, and 1953?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

“1948, 106,230; 1949, 31,692; 1950, 105,792; 1951, 74,722; 1952, 1,234,120; and 1953, 260,335.”

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

1. What was the approximate membership of unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labour and the Trades and Labour Council in 1952?

2. What was the approximate membership of unions affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organization and the Canadian Congress of Labour in 1952?

3. What was the approximate membership of independent unions in 1952?

4. How many employees were affected by strikes in which unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labour and the Trades and Labour Council were involved in 1952?

5. How many employees were affected by strikes in which unions affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organization and the Canadian Congress of Labour were involved in 1952?

6. How many employees were affected by strikes in which independent unions were involved in 1952?

7. What was the time-loss in man working-days with respect to the answers to Nos. 4, 5, and 6?

8. What are the figures with respect to Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 for the year 1953?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

“1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. With respect to the Province of British Columbia, the answers are embodied in the following table:—

Union Affiliation.	Approximate Membership.	Number of Employees affected.	Time-loss in Man Working-days.
A.F.L.-T.L.C.	91,634	3,108	90,643
C.I.O.-C.C.L.	47,207	33,899	1,037,914
Independent	27,235	9,799	105,563

“8. The figures for 1953 are embodied in the following table:—

Union Affiliation.	Approximate Membership.	Number of Employees affected.	Time-loss in Man Working-days.
A.F.L.-T.L.C.	94,859	1,833	21,212
C.I.O.-C.C.L.	47,937	4,769	212,859
Independent	32,098	1,601	26,256 ”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.