# Tuesday, April 13th, 1948.

#### HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. D. L. Gordon.

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

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921,'" was read a second time, and, by leave of the House, committed forthwith, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act."

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act.'"

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Two million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928,'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) initialed "An Act to impose a Tax on Income derived from Mining Operations" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid "Mr. Bennett moved in amendment, seconded by Mrs. Rolston,—

That Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid" be given a six months' hoist.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the amendment was out of order.

Mr. H. E. Winch appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

Question proposed-" Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division :---

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#### YEAS-30.

		Messieurs	
Hogg	Welch	Kenney	Hope
Ash	McDonell	Anscomb	Straith
MacDougall	Morrow	Johnson, B. I.	Eyres
Smith	Green	Wismer	Carson, E.
Stevenson	Love	Pearson	MacDonald
Brown	King	Ritchie	Putnam
Laird	Hodges, Mrs.	Cates	
Johnson, W. J.	Hart	Beard	
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Uphill	Winch, H. E.	Gillis
McInnis	Gargrave	Rolston, Mrs.
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Harding	Bennett	
	McInnis Winch, E. E.	Uphill Winch, H. E. McInnis Gargrave Winch, E. E. Mowat

Mrs. Rolston moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Uphill,-

That Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid " be read six months hence.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order, and from this ruling an appeal was taken.

Question proposed-" Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:-

#### YEAS-28.

		Messieurs	
Hogg	Welch	Kenney	Beard
Ash	McDonell	Anscomb	Hope
MacDougall	Morrow	Johnson, B. I.	Straith
Smith	Green	Wismer	Eyres
Stevenson	Love	Pearson	Carson, E. C.
Brown	King	Ritchie	MacDonald
Laird	Hart	Cates	Putnam
		NAYS—16.	
		Messieurs	

Brett Turner	Johnson, W. J. Uphill	Harding Winch, H. E.	Bennett Hodges, Mrs.
Rowland	McInnis	Gargrave	Gillis
Guthrie	Winch, E. E.	Mowat	Rolston, Mrs.

Mr. E. E. Winch moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Harding.-

That the motion moved by the Hon. the Minister of Finance, "That Bill (No. 68) intituled 'An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid' be read a second time now," be amended by striking out all words after the word "read," and substituting the words "six months hence."

A debate arose.

The House divided.

Brown

Johnson, W. J.

Laird

The motion was negatived on the following division:---

YEAS-14.

Messieurs

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Brett	Uphill	Winch, H. E.	Gillis
Turner	McInnis	Gargrave	Rolston, Mrs.
Rowland	Winch, E. E.	Mowat	
Guthrie	Harding	Bennett	
		NAYS-30.	
		Messieurs	
Hogg	Welch	Kenney	Hope
Ash	McDonell	Anscomb	Straith
MacDougall	Morrow	Johnson, B. I.	Eyres
Smith	Green	Wismer	Carson, E. C.
Stevenson	Love	Pearson	MacDonald

King

Hart

Hodges, Mrs.

On the motion of Mr. *Gargrave*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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Cates

Beard

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act."

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Credit Unions Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Turner*—Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade-unions Act.""

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

## C. A. BANKS,

## Lieutenant-Governor.

Putnam

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 2nd, 1948.

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. 47) initial "An Act to amend the 'Special Assistance in the Cost of Education 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.

Mr. Gillis presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Labour, as follows:---

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, April 12th, 1948.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Labour begs leave to report as follows :---

Your Committee has met and organized, and, in view of the importance to this Province of a full discussion of matters relating to labour, and particularly labour relations, your Committee regrets that no matters have been referred to it by this House.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. J. GILLIS, 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 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6.03 p.m.

# Tuesday, April 13th, 1948.

#### HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on the point of order raised by Mr. H. E. Winch on the 8th instant, as follows:—

Honourable Members,—On Thursday last the following Resolution was placed before the House:—

"Mr. H. E. Winch moved, seconded by Mr. Harding,-

"Whereas the 'Canadian Citizenship Act,' 1946, declares: (1) Part 1, section 4, that 'A person born before the commencement of this Act is a natural-born Canadian citizen if he was born in Canada'; (2) part 1 and part 2, sections 4 to 10, inclusive, outline Canadian citizenship whether Canadian-born or acquiring citizenship by naturalization:

"And whereas ineligibility for inclusion on the voters list denies certain citizens the right to practise in some professions:

"And whereas the 'Provincial Elections Act' denies voting privileges to certain minorities recognized as citizens by the 'Citizenship Act':

"And whereas recent orders by officials in the employ of the Province denied employment of certain citizens because of their racial origin:

"And whereas said action was based upon a motion passed by the Legislature on April 16th, 1902, to the effect that 'In all contracts, leases, and concessions of whatsoever kind entered into, issued, or made by the Government, or on behalf of the Government, provision be made that no Chinese or Japanese be employed in connection therewith ':

"And whereas parliamentary law and custom states that no Act of the Legislature can bind a succeeding Legislature:

"And whereas newspaper reports indicate that the Government may do by contract that which it cannot do by law as regards discrimination against racial minorities:

"And whereas any discrimination is repugnant to democratic principles and British justice:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that no discrimination should be recognized by the Government, either in law or contract, against any Canadian citizen because of colour, religion, or land of racial origin."

Following which the amendment herewith was moved by the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary,—

"To amend the Resolution by striking out all the words of the Resolution, and inserting the following words:—

"'Whereas the Governor in Council of Canada, pursuant to the authority of the "War Measures Act of Canada," by reason of the existence of war, ordered the removal of all persons of Japanese racial origin from the coastal zone (as described in the Order) of British Columbia:

"'And whereas the said Order, made during the emergency of the war and for the expressed reason that the same was necessary for the due prosecution of the war and for the protection of Canada, is still in effect:

"'And whereas as a consequence of said Order a number of persons of Japanese racial origin were obliged to leave the coastal regions of this Province and established themselves in other parts of the Province as permitted by the Dominion Order:

"'Therefore be it Resolved, That this House is of opinion that the provisions of contracts with the Government that no Japanese be employed in connection therewith should be altered in so far as that portion of British Columbia in which such Japanese are now permitted by the Dominion Government to reside so as to remove any disabilities against Japanese being employed in such area.'"

On the amendment to the motion a point of order was raised by Mr. H. E. Winch, Leader of the Opposition, in which I reserved my decision.

I find, according to May, 14th edition, page 393, the following: "It is not competent to move to leave out all the words of a question. The initial word must at least be retained."

I therefore rule the amendment, as submitted, is out of order.

ROBT. H. CARSON, Speaker.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid."

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting on the following division:—

#### YEAS-30.

Messieurs

Hogg	Welch	Kenney	Hope
Ash	McDonell	Anscomb	Straith
MacDougall	Morrow	Johnson, B. I.	Eyres
Smith	Green	Wismer	Carson, E. C.
Stevenson	Love	Pearson	MacDonald
Brown	King	Ritchie	Putnam
Laird	Hodges, Mrs.	Cates	
Johnson, W. J.	Hart	Beard	

NAYS-14.

#### Messieurs

Brett	Uphill	Winch, H. E.	(
Turner	McInnis	Gargrave	I
Rowland	Winch, E. E.	Mowat	
Guthrie	Harding	Bennett	

Gillis Rolston, Mrs.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Charitable and other Associations, etc., to 31st March, 1949.

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Farms, to 31st March, 1949.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,076,207 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1949.

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$423,450 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Homes for the Aged, to 31st March, 1949.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1949.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$46,960 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1949.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$195,090 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, General Services, to 31st March, 1949.

111. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Cancer Control, to 31st March, 1949.

112. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$119,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Public Health Service, Metropolitan Areas, to 31st March, 1949.

114. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$106,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Public Health Nursing, to 31st March, 1949.

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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 11.26 p.m.

## Wednesday, April 14th, 1948.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. Hills.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1949.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, General Office, to 31st March, 1949.

50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds, to 31st March, 1949.

45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$433,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1949.

30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$23,790 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1949.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$766,690 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1949.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,127,688 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance and Repairs to Government Buildings and Rental of Offices (except Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1949.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,987,915.30 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1949.

65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$198,420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1949.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$195,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1949.

97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$76,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, Administration, to 31st March, 1949.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$849,380 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, to 31st March, 1949.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Expenses (including Administration, Maintenance of Buildings, Launches, Autos, and other Equipment, etc.), to 31st March, 1949.

233. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Recoverable Expenditure, "Soldiers' Land Act, 1918 "—Houses, South Vancouver, to 31st March, 1949.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch—Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Subsidies on Agricultural Lime, to 31st March, 1948.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1948.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$41,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch-Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$182,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

39. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$124,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1948.

40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch—Salaries, to 31st March, 1948.

41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice — Prosecutions, to 31st March, 1948.

50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies (not otherwise provided for), to 31st March, 1948.

51. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$89,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, In Aid of Removal of Discriminatory Freight Rates and Express Rates, to 31st March, 1948.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-books, Maps, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Schools, to 31st March, 1948.

62. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$309,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Basic and Supplementary Grants (Teachers and Pupils), to 31st March, 1948.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$155,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveyances (Special Services), to 31st March, 1948.

65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding 164,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grants re "Special Assistance in Cost of Education Act," chapter 7, 1940, to 31st March, 1948.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Adult Education, to 31st March, 1948.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Public Library Commission—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Archives—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1948.

87. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Taxation Branch, Real Property, Amusements, Gasoline, Fuel-oil Taxes, etc.—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

90. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch—Expenses (Postage), to 31st March, 1948.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1948.

94A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,685.46 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905"—Arrears on Dyking Assessments on Lands reverted to the Crown, to 31st March, 1948.

97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Accounting Division—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Vital Statistics —Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$202,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Tuberculosis Control—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Provincial Infirmaries—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Director of Welfare—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$332,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Assistance, Social Allowances, Medical Services, etc. (including Grants), to 31st March, 1948.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$165,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Old-age Pensioners' Cost-of-living Bonus, to 31st March, 1948.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Board of Industrial Relations—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Branch—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

123A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Labour Relations Board—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Minister's Office—Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Expenses (including Administration, Maintenance of Buildings, Launches, Autos, and other Equipment, etc.), to 31st March, 1948.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, "Soldiers' Land Act" (Chapter 80, 1918), to 31st March, 1948.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Superannuation Act" and "Teachers' Pensions Act"—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Superannuation Act"—Government Contributions to Superannuation Fund, to 31st March, 1948.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1948.

174. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$249,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Hospitals—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

185. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

186. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance) —Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

187. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$795,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance and Repairs to Government Buildings and Rental of Offices (except Parliament Buildings and Government House) to 31st March, 1948.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

198. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department, Administration—Salaries and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$513,960.18 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31st, 1947, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

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

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

### C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, April 9th. 1948.

*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. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions 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. Mr. *Pearson* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

#### C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, April 9th, 1948.

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. 73) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Super-annuation 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. Mr. *Pearson* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

## C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, April 9th, 1948.

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. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Superannuation Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The following papers were presented :---

By the Hon. Mr. Eyres-

Report of the Department of Trade and Industry for the Years ended December 31st, 1946 and 1947.

By the Hon. Mr. Pearson-

Annual Report of the Civil Service Commission from January 1st to December 31st, 1947.

Return in accordance with Section 195, Chapter 16, of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1939, being the "Provincial Elections Act."

Interim Report by Harry J. Sullivan, Esquire, appointed a Royal Commissioner on Doukhobor Affairs under the provisions of the "Public Inquiries Act."

*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 5.11 p.m.

# Wednesday, April 14th, 1948.

## HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

On the motion made in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid" the Chairman was challenged.

An appeal was made to the House.

Question proposed-" Shall the ruling of the Chairman be sustained?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:-

### YEAS-31.

Messieurs

Hogg	Welch	Hodges, Mrs.	Cates
Ash	McDonell	Gillis	Hope
MacDougall	Morrow	Hart	Rolston, Mrs.
Smith	Green	Kenney	Straith
Stevenson	Love	Anscomb	Carson, E. C.
Brown	Mowat	Johnson, B. I.	MacDonald
Laird	Bennett	Wismer	Putnam
Johnson, W. J.	King	Ritchie	

## NAYS-11.

#### Messieurs

Brett	Rowland	McInnis	Winch, H. E.
Turner	Guthrie	Winch, E. E.	Gargrave
Corsbie	Uphill	Harding	

The Committee reported progress. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

#### C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1947," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 14th, 1948.

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. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1947,'" 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.

*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 11.59 p.m.

# Thursday, April 15th, 1948.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. C. Thompson.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants in aid of Arthritis Control, to 31st March, 1949.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$285,558 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Health Units, to 31st March, 1949.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$158,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Laboratories, to 31st March, 1949.

117. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$131,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Vital Statistics, to 31st March, 1949.

118. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$173,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Venereal Disease Control, to 31st March, 1949.

119. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Health Insurance, to 31st March, 1949.

120. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,628,775 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, to 31st March, 1949.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$360,230 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Provincial Infirmaries, to 31st March, 1949.

#### APRIL 15TH.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,190 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Office of the Deputy Minister, to 31st March, 1949.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Director of Welfare and Family Services Division, to 31st March, 1949.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$630,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Field Service, to 31st March, 1949.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,910 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Medical Service, to 31st March, 1949.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1949.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,410,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1949.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, "Residence and Responsibility Act"—Administration, to 31st March, 1949.

129. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Welfare Visitor for the Deaf—Salary and expenses, to 31st March, 1949.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$539,490 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Child Welfare Division, to 31st March, 1949.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,025 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1949.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$109,141 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial School for Boys, to 31st March, 1949.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,622 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial School for Girls, to 31st March, 1949.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,850,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Old-age Pensioners' Cost-of-living Bonus, to 31st March, 1949.

92. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1949.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,820 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Labour Relations Board, to 31st March, 1949.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,125 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1949.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1949.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions. Resolutions considered forthwith and adopted. On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply reported on the 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th days of April be received and read a first time.

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

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

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

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

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

\$513,960.18 for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1947.

3.415.235.46 for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1948.

77,442,369.30 for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1949, which sum includes that authorized by the "Supply Act, No. 1, 1948."

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

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

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 5.44 p.m.

## Thursday, April 15th, 1948.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

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

On the motion of Mr. E. E. Winch—Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Marriage Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act.' "

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. E. C. Carson-Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation and Weekly Holiday Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act.'"

Order called for "Public Bills and Orders."

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

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Two million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Registered Nurses Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Gillis*, adjourned to the next sitting. On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Gillis*, adjourned to the next sitting.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial School for Boys Act'" was withdrawn, and the Bill *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the Industrial School for Girls Act'" was withdrawn, and the Bill *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

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

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Automobile & General Insurance Company."

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria."

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act."

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act restricting the Use of White Canes except by Blind Persons."

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act."

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935."

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade Licences Act."

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act.""

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act.' "

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' Maintenance Act." Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act."

Bill (No. 26) Intituled An Act to amend the Game Act.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act."

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act."

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934.'"

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act."

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act."

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act.'"

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Magistrates Act."

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act.' "

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

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act."

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act.'"

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act."

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Credit Unions Act.'"

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act.' '

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pre-emptors' Free Grants Act."

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Lands Administration Act."

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act.'"

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1947.'"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Drainage, Dyking, and Development Act.'"

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Soldiers' Land Act."

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Codling-moth Control Act."

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the ' Farmers' Land-clearing Assistance Act.' "

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the ' Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act.' "

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to prevent the Spread of Contagious Diseases among Animals."

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

## C. A. BANKS,

#### Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide Aid for Municipalities," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 14th, 1948.

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. 84) intituled "An Act to provide Aid for Municipalities," 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. Mr. Anscomb presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:---

C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons betting at Race-meetings under the System known as the Pari Mutuel," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 13th, 1948. 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. 83) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons betting at Race-meetings under the System known as the Pari Mutuel," 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.

Mr. Brett asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following question:----

What amount, if any, was paid to the Torbrit Silver Mining Company for building the truck-road from Alice Arm to the Toric mine?

The Hon. Mr. MacDonald replied as follows :--

" No payment made."

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.19 p.m.

# Friday, April 16th, 1948.

## HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father G. Penfold.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928,'" the debate continued.

Motion agreed to, and the Bill *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) initialed "An Act to impose a Tax on Income derived from Mining Operations" the debate continued.

Motion agreed to, and the Bill Ordered to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" the debate continued.

Motion agreed to, and the Bill Ordered to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935," was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade Licences Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Automobile & General Insurance Company" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act.'"

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act."  $\!\!\!$ 

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act."

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act relating to Clinics of Psychological Medicine."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act."

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

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation and Weekly Holiday Act."

Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act."

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act.'"

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons betting at Race-meetings under the System known as the Pari Mutuel."

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of Penticton."

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act.'"

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Utilities Act.'"

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 84) initial "An Act to provide Aid for Municipalities" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Order called for "Introduction of Bills."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

## C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of Hospital Insurance and Financial Aid to Hospitals," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 16th, 1948.

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. 88) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of Hospital Insurance and Financial Aid to Hospitals," 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. Mr. *Wismer* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

C. A. BANKS,

#### Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, April 15th, 1948.

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. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation 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. Mr. Anscomb presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Fees Act, 1947,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 16th, 1948.

*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. 96) initial "An Act to amend the 'Probate Fees Act, 1947,'" 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. Mr. *Anscomb* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

#### C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, April 16th, 1948.

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. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electric Power 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. Mr. Anscomb presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

## C. A. BANKS,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 13th, 1948.

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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. 81) initial "An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures," 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. Mr. Wismer presented the Report of the Provincial Game Commission for the Year ended December 31st, 1946.

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* presented the Report of the Lands, Surveys, and Water Rights Branches for the Year ended December 31st, 1947.

Mr. Rowland asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:----

What was the total amount of money received by the Liquor Control Board for liquor sold at each of the following points during the last year: Smithers, Burns Lake, and Vanderhoof?

The Hon. Mr. Wismer replied as follows :---

"Smithers, \$197,441.60; Burns Lake, \$127,600.70; and Vanderhoof, \$113,753.80."

Mr. Corsbie asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:----

What was the total amount of money received by the Liquor Control Board for liquor sold at Pouce Coupe during the last year?

Mr. Brett asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:----

1. What amount, if any, was paid to the Torbrit Silver Mining Company for snowclearing on the road between the wharf and town of Alice Arm?

2. Is Mr. A. D. York a permanent employee of the Department?

3. If not, for what periods is he employed?

The Hon. Mr. E. C. Carson replied as follows:-

"1. \$4,301.61.

"2. No.

"3. Average seventeen days per month."

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 5.32 p.m.

# Friday, April 16th, 1948.

## HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on the Purchase and Use of Tangible Personal Property to provide Funds for Social Security and Municipal Aid" was again committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Persons betting at Race-meetings under the System known as the Pari Mutuel" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

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

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

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1947,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Drainage, Dyking, and Development Act '" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Soldiers' Land Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) initialed "An Act to repeal the 'Codling-moth Control Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Farmers' Land-clearing Assistance Act '" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended to allow the introduction of the following motion without notice:—

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

That on Monday, April 19th, and all following days of the Session, there shall be three distinct sittings in each day, one from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., and one from 8 p.m. until adjourned, unless otherwise ordered.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

# Monday, April 19th, 1948.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to impose a Tax on Income derived from Mining Operations" was committed, and, on an amendment submitted in the Committee, the Chairman declared the amendment lost.

The decision of the Chair was challenged, and an appeal was taken to the House. Question proposed—" Shall the Chair be sustained?" *Resolved* in the affirmative on the following division:—

## YEAS-28.

#### Messieurs

Hogg Ash MacDougall Smith Stevenson Brown Laird Welch McDonell Morrow Green Mowat King Hodges, Mrs.

- Hart Kenney Anscomb Johnson, B. I. Wismer Pearson Ritchie
- Cates Beard Hope Straith Carson, E. C. MacDonald Putnam

NAYS-13. Messieurs

Brett Turner Corsbie Rowland Guthrie Uphill McInnis Winch, E. E. Harding Winch, H. E.

Gargrave Bennett Gillis

The Committee reported progress. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to provide Aid for Municipalities" be now read a second time.

The debate continued.

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

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

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures."

Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electric Power Act."

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Fees Act, 1947.'"

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

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

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.29 p.m.

## Monday, April 19th, 1948.

### HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to impose a Tax on Income derived from Mining Operations" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Mr. H. E. Winch rose to a point of order and moved, seconded by Mr. Harding,— That Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to impose a Tax on Income derived from Mining Operations" be amended in section 3, subsection (2), by striking out the word "four" in the second line of subsection (2), and substituting therefor the word "six."

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived on the following division :----

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		messieurs	
Brett	Guthrie	Harding	Bennett
Turner	Uphill	Winch, H. E.	King
Corsbie	McInnis	Gargrave	Hodges, Mrs.
Rowland	Winch, E. E.	Mowat	Gillis

NAYS-27.

		Messieurs	
Hogg	Johnson, W. J.	Kenney	Beard
Ash	Welch	Anscomb	Hope
MacDougall	McDonell	Johnson, B. I.	Straith
Smith	Morrow	Wismer	Carson, E. C.
Stevenson	Green	Pearson	MacDonald
Brown	Love	Ritchie	Putnam
Laird	Hart	Cates	

By leave of the House, Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to provide Aid for Municipalities" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Fees Act, 1947," was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

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

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation and Weekly Holiday Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 47) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act restricting the Use of White Canes except by Blind Persons" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act relating to Clinics of Psychological Medicine" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. H. E. Winch, it was Resolved,-

That whereas it has been necessary for Mr. J. L. Webster and Dr. G. M. Weir to be absent from the Third Session of the Twenty-first Parliament of British Columbia owing to illness: And whereas section 54 of the "Constitution Act," R.S.B.C. 1936, in part states that "If any member of the Legislative Assembly, without the permission of the Legislative Assembly, fails during a whole Session to give his attendance in the Legislative Assembly . . . his election shall thereby become void and the seat of such member shall be vacated ":

Therefore be it Resolved, That the said Mr. *Webster* and Dr. *Weir* be granted leave of absence from the current Session of the Legislature, and that their absence shall in no way impair their positions as duly elected members of this Assembly:

And be it further Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to pay full Sessional allowances to the said Mr. *Webster* and Dr. *Weir* as if they had been present during each and every day of the Session.

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* presented the Second Annual Report of the Department of Health and Welfare (Health Branch) for the Year ended December 31st, 1947.

*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 5.45 p.m.

# Monday, April 19th, 1948.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 100) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act, 1945.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Putnam*—Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. MacDonald—Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Town Planning Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Victoria Water District Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. MacDonald—Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Kimberley Incorporation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. E. C. Carson—Bill (No. 102) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electrical Energy Inspection Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Wismer-Bill (No. 103) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Escheats Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Wismer-Bill (No. 104) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Wismer-Bill (No. 105) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Wismer—Bill (No. 106) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Societies Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 108) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act.'"

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act relating to Clinics of Psychological Medicine" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

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

Bill (No. 74) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Superannuation Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Registered Nurses Act'" be now read a second time.

The debate continued.

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

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of Penticton" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 78) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to prevent the Spread of Contagious Diseases among Animals" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act'" was read a third time and passed.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of Hospital Insurance and Financial Aid to Hospitals" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Act'" be now read a second time.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Gargrave*, adjourned to the next sitting. Bill (No. 37) initialed "An Act to regulate the Working of Coal-mines" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Utilities Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

REPORT.

## LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, April 19th, 1948.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Several meetings of this Committee were duly held.

The executive of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities appeared before the Committee and requested amendments to the "Municipal Act," the "Village Municipalities Act," and the "Municipal Elections Act." The Department of Municipal Affairs submitted amendments to the "Municipal Act" and to the "Village Municipalities Act."

Interested parties were given a hearing. A number of amendments were approved and will, in due course, be submitted to this Legislature for enactment. It was evident to the Committee that a serious attempt was being made to bring into conformity related provisions in various Acts respecting assessment and taxation.

The Committee approves the request of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for the establishment of an Assessment Commission.

The Committee further recommends that serious consideration be given to the following subjects:—

Payment by the Crown of the salaries of Police Magistrates.

Payment of grants in lieu of taxes on Crown lands used commercially.

Payment of grants in lieu of local improvement assessments on Crown Lands. Municipal borrowings with a view to credit being extended to municipalities through the Bank of Canada.

Establishment of a municipal insurance scheme.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Minister and Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and to the executive of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for assistance and advice.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. C. HOPE, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

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

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, April 19th, 1948.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:— The Select Standing Committee on Agriculture held several meetings and heard representations from the advisory board of Farmers' Institutes conjoined by a representation from the British Columbia Federation of Agriculture and begs to report as follows:— (1) That the Provincial Government continue to support artificial insemination of cattle and to further its assistance and broaden its field so that all parts of the Province where it is reasonably possible to do so may profit by this method of improving the live-stock herds.

(2) That again the Government be requested to establish a school in some central point in the Interior similar to the Agricultural School at Olds, Alberta, and recommends a site near Tranquille where the already established farm in connection with the sanatorium there could be used for a practical training field.

(3) That the "Motor-vehicle Act" be changed so as not to work such a hardship on farmers who help out neighbours by doing work for them with their tractors and must use the highway for short spaces of time while taking the machine to and from the places.

(4) That the Government inquire into the feasibility of assisting in the development by irrigation from Adams River of lands lying between Salmon Arm and Lytton.

(5) That increased bounties and assistance by more Government-employed hunters be granted so as to deter the ravages of such predatory animals as coyotes, wolves, and cougars. Bounties recommended are \$5, \$50, and \$40 respectively.

(6) That the assistance in land-clearing given at present by way of allowances on stumping-powder be broadened so that it be given on any amount of powder that a *bona-fide* farmer might use in any one year instead of just ten cases as at present.

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

(8) That the Committee recommends that the laws and regulations against the importation of oleomargarine be continued.

(9) That the Government continue its interest in the Pacific Great Eastern Railway with the view of continuing its extension to Dawson Creek.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS KING, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:----

1. How many widows who were in receipt of workmen's compensation awards due to loss of their husbands have remarried during each of the past ten years?

2. What is the amount of saving in capital sums which had been set aside for their support?

3. What disposition is made of the sums so saved?

The Hon. Mr. Wismer replied as follows:-

"1. 1938, 14; 1939, 18; 1940, 25; 1941, 27; 1942, 28; 1943, 33; 1944, 32; 1945, 31; 1946, 30; 1947, 43; total, 281.

"2. The possibility of remarriage is included in the calculation of capitalized reserves for widows' pensions so that the remarriages do not result in a saving to the Reserve Fund unless the number is greater than anticipated in the tables used for setting up the capitalized reserves.

"3. Answered by No. 2."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 11 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.59 p.m.