

Thursday, March 12th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. E. Greenhalgh*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,678 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering and Land-clearing, to 31st March, 1954.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,330 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, 4-H Clubs, to 31st March, 1954.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Milk Board, to 31st March, 1954.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Motor-vehicles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1954.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1954.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1954.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Subsidies on Agricultural Lime, to 31st March, 1954.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1954.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Federal-Provincial Farm Labour Service, to 31st March, 1954.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,380 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Land-clearing Assistance, to 31st March, 1954.

29 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Pound District Act," to 31st March, 1954.

30 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Grasshopper-control Act," to 31st March, 1954.

31 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Natural Products Marketing (B.C.) Act," to 31st March, 1954.

307. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

308. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,420 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

309. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,230 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

310. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,954 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

311. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,440 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, British Columbia Government Travel Bureau, to 31st March, 1954.

312. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$180,116 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, to 31st March, 1954.

313. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,584 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Industrial and Trade Office, to 31st March, 1954.

314. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Advertising and Publicity, to 31st March, 1954.

315. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$160,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Grants—British Columbia Research Council, to 31st March, 1954.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$850 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,451 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

On the motion of Mr. *Giovando*, seconded by Mr. *Miller*, it was *Resolved*,—
That the Report of the Stevenson & Kellogg investigation into the Department of Education be filed with this House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Snowsell* on the 11th instant, as follows:—

Whereas many millions of dollars are invested in co-operatives and many thousands of people are members, dependent largely upon co-operatives for their welfare:

And whereas co-operatives exemplify the finest application of the principles of democracy to the economic field and thus an alternative to the growth of private monopolies:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House urge the Government to consider the advisability of setting up a Department of Co-operatives under a Minister of Co-operatives to advise and help existing co-operatives and credit unions and to encourage further expansion of the co-operative and credit union movement.

The debate continued.

On a point of order being raised by the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

Mr. Calder moved, seconded by Mr. Moore,—

Whereas there have been many lives lost in the outlying areas of this Province through lack of quick medical attention:

And whereas there are long distances between isolated industrial camps and villages and modern hospital services:

And whereas the inauguration of an air ambulance service would prove of great value to encourage industrial expansion, pioneering, and land settlement in the remote areas:

And whereas a Provincial Government operated air ambulance service could also be used to provide transportation of social-service personnel, nurses, doctors, dentists, and the injured in urgent cases:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislature recommends to the Government that consideration be given to the advisability of establishing an air ambulance service in the Province of British Columbia.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* presented the Fifth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 12th, 1953.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria" has been altered in order to accord with the true nature of the Bill, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

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

The Hon. *T. J. Rolston* presented the Report on the Survey of the Department of Education, Province of British Columbia, February, 1952, prepared by Stevenson & Kellogg Limited and Appendix A thereto.

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* presented the Report of the Director of New Haven for the Year ended December 31st, 1952.

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

1. Has the fee provided for in section 114 (1) of the "Motor-vehicle Act" been fixed and, if so, in what amount?
2. If No. 1 has been answered in the affirmative, what amounts have been credited and what amounts debited to the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund in each and every fiscal year since its inception?
3. Is the Superintendent of Insurance for the Province of British Columbia authorized to hear and determine appeals from decisions of the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund committee of British Columbia, having its principal place of business at 305 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, refusing to give certificates of entitlement to payment of damages adjudged?
4. If the answer to No. 3 be in the affirmative, how many such appeals have been wholly or in part allowed and how many dismissed?
5. Has the Lieutenant-Governor in Council approved the British Columbia Unsatisfied Judgment Fund plan?
6. Who are the present members of the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund committee of British Columbia?
7. By whom were the members of the said committee appointed?
8. What moneys have been available to and for the uses of the said committee in each of the several years since the inception of the said committee and by whom?
9. How many certificates of entitlement have been issued by the said committee in each of the several years since the inception of the said committee?
10. How many applications for certificates of entitlement have been refused by the said committee in each of the several years since its inception?
11. What amounts have been paid pursuant to such certificates of entitlement in each of the several years since the inception of the said committee?
12. In each of the several years since the inception of the said committee, what is the total amount of judgment debts alleged by unsuccessful applicants for certificates of entitlement to have been unpaid?

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

- " 1. No.
- " 2. Not applicable; *see* No. 1.
- " 3. Yes.
- " 4. No appeals have been made.
- " 5. Not necessary as the plan is a voluntary one.
- " 6. Norman C. Pim, Royal Exchange Insurance Company, chairman; C. G. Hobson, Ruby General Insurance Company and Employers Mutual Insurance Company; G. L. Tunnicliffe, London & Lancashire Insurance Company; G. Smart, Century Insurance Company and Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company; W. Peterson, Wawanesa Mutual Assurance Company; Carl Larsen, Zurich General Liability and Accident Insurance Company; T. Johnston, Union Insurance Society; and J. Lyle, North West Casualty Company.
- " 7. By insurers licensed to write automobile insurance in British Columbia.
- " 8. Irrevocable letter of credit with Canadian Bank of Commerce in the sum of \$100,000 each year.
- " 9. 1950, none; 1951, 3; and 1952, 4.
- " 10. 1950, none; 1951, 1; and 1952, 2.
- " 11. 1950, nothing; 1951, \$15,395.75; and 1952, \$20,936.75.
- " 12. Statutory limit, \$5,000 in respect of each applicant, total of \$10,000 in respect of each accident; 1951, \$25,356.50; and 1952, \$27,299.14."

Mr. *H. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. When the present Parliament Buildings were constructed, or later, was there a system of fans, air-ducts, and other air-conditioning apparatus installed for the purpose of air-conditioning or ventilating the Assembly Chamber?
2. If so, when was the use of such apparatus discontinued?
3. Was the reason for the discontinuance of such apparatus that it caused too much noise and was therefore inconvenient to workers in certain offices?
4. If so, what were such offices?
5. Is the use of the said apparatus still discontinued?
6. Is it the intention of the Department to (a) again use the said apparatus or (b) install new apparatus for the purpose of ventilating the Assembly Chamber?

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

- “ 1. Ventilation system installed in 1930.
- “ 2. System has been working ever since—never discontinued.
- “ 3, 4, 5, and 6. Answered by No. 2.”

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

1. How much money, if any, was spent in 1952 on each of the following roads: (a) Alice Arm–Torbrit Mine Truck Road, (b) Alice Arm Shore Road, (c) Torbrit Mine–Power-plant Road on the Clearwater, (d) Stewart–Hyda Road, (e) Stewart–Premier Mine Road, (f) Stewart–Bear Lake Road, (g) Atlin Highway, (h) Atlin–Spruce Creek Road, (i) Cassiar Road, and (j) Telegraph Creek–Dease Lake Road?
2. How much money, if any, was spent in 1952 on town roads of (a) Atlin, (b) Lower Post, (c) Tulsequah, (d) Telegraph Creek, (e) Stewart, and (f) Alice Arm?
3. How much money, if any, was spent in repairs on Stewart Wing Dam in 1952–53?
4. Is it the intention of this Government to repair the Alice Arm Wing Dam this year?

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

“ 1. (a) Alice Arm–Torbrit Mine Truck Road, \$26,254.56; (b) Alice Arm Shore Road, \$518.23; (c) Torbrit Mine–Power-plant Road on the Clearwater, included in Torbrit Mine Road figures; (d) Stewart–Hyda Road, \$3,063.58; (e) Stewart–Premier Mine Road (Salmon River Road), \$8,295.66; (f) Stewart–Bear Lake Road, \$7,237.15; (g) Atlin Highway, \$7,241.34; (h) Atlin–Spruce Creek Road, \$3,478.36; (i) Cassiar Road (McDame Creek Road), \$192,025.39; and (j) Telegraph Creek–Dease Lake Road, \$5,530.37.

“ 2. (a) Atlin, \$1,168.18; (b) Lower Post, *nil*; (c) Tulsequah, *nil*; (d) Telegraph Creek, \$1,102.37; (e) Stewart (arterial highway), \$2,795.58; and (f) Alice Arm, \$606.86.

“ 3. Stewart Wing Dam, \$7,483.77.

“ 4. Under advisement.”

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

1. Are any plans contemplated this year for alterations to the north and south approaches to Pattullo Bridge to relieve the congestion of traffic presently occurring in busy hours?
2. If yes, (a) is the cost of such work divided between the Federal and Provincial Governments and (b) how much money is appropriated by the Provincial Government for this work?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) Negotiations being carried out with the Federal Government, and (b) this will depend on finalization of negotiations with the Federal Government.”

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.

Thursday, March 12th, 1953.

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.)

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,110 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,068 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Homes for Elderly Citizens and Children's Homes, to 31st March, 1954.

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Construction in Respect of Provincial Mental Hospitals, T.B. Hospitals, etc., to 31st March, 1954.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$122,528 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1954.

258. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 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, 1954.

259. *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, 1954.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants *re* Retiring Allowances, to 31st March, 1954.

261 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,770,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, “Civil Service Superannuation Act,” to 31st March, 1954.

262. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$80,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Teachers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1954.

263. *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, 1954.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,446 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1954.

265. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$520,000 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, 1954.

266. *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, 1954.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1954.

268. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, In Aid of Resident Physicians, Medical Aid, etc., to 31st March, 1954.

269. *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, 1954.

271. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,517 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Collections Office, to 31st March, 1954.

272. *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, 1954.

273. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$99,986 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Mental Health Services, Headquarters, to 31st March, 1954.

274. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$123,974 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, 1954.

275. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,277,329 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, 1954.

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 11.09 p.m.

Friday, March 13th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father *MacLellan*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

276. *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, 1954.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,014,482 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Homes for the Aged, to 31st March, 1954.

278. *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, 1954.

279. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 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, 1954.

280. *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, 1954.

281. *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, 1954.

282 (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, 1954.

270. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,262 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Charitable and Other Associations, to 31st March, 1954.

248. *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, 1954.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,802 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,280 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Administration of the Estates of the Insane, to 31st March, 1954.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,024 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1954.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1954.

283 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,063 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Provincial Elections Act," to 31st March, 1954.

284 (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, 1954.

285 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 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, 1954.

286 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Retiring Allowance—"Civil Service Act," Section 69, to 31st March, 1954.

287 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$93,960 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, "Public Utilities Act," to 31st March, 1954.

288 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$248,909 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, "Motor Carrier Act," to 31st March, 1954.

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. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.49 p.m.

Monday, March 16th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Pastor *F. W. Routley*.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:—

Honourable Members,—The Chairman of the Committee of Supply, the honourable member for Prince George, has drawn my attention to a news item on the front page of the Colonist of March 14th, headed "Liberal Slaps Down Sacred House Tyro," and reports that this item is correct and in part is as follows: "This discussion on the "Elections Act" has gone far enough, and I . . .," he began. The honourable member for Skeena exploded, 'What's that? Who are you to tell us what we can discuss and what we can't? I never heard of such a thing. I'm amazed at your audacity. Who do you think you are?'"

May I draw the attention of the House to the fact that the Chairman was quite within his right in his suggestion that the debate should no longer follow the line that had developed, in view of the fact that a ruling on these lines had already been made.

All this arose out of a question regarding statutory votes and in the matter of estimates. In the matter of the estimates and in the matter of the statutory votes, these votes are of two kinds. One is where the Statute provides for the payment of a fixed amount and states that it is payable out of Consolidated Revenue, such as Vote 282 in the current Estimates. The other is where the Statute provides for certain expenditures and states that if there has been no vote for such, passed with the Estimates, payment may be made out of Consolidated Revenue; for example, Vote 283.

As to whether these should be presented in the Estimates and passed is a legal question not to be determined by me. As I find the former practice has always been not to include them under a vote number and not to submit a Resolution, this should be a good authority. Presumably they are for information to members as to what is included in the Grant of Supply.

Sir Erskine May is our authority that no vote may be passed over and not moved, so that, where an item is in the Estimates as a vote and the Resolution presented to the Chairman, it follows that the item is open to debate even though it may not be varied.

Let me again remind you of the limitations of debate on the Estimates. We have no relevant Standing Order but we find good authority in Sir Erskine May's Treatise, 15th edition, from which I quote as follows: "The procedure of the Committee of Supply follows the ordinary usage of the Committee of the Whole House. No amendment can be moved which is not relevant to the grant under consideration. No vote may be passed over and not moved, but a motion for postponing a proposed Resolution can be entertained. Each Resolution forms a distinct motion which can only be dealt with by being agreed to, reduced, negatived, superseded, or, by leave, withdrawn; and the withdrawal can be made although the decision of the Committee has been taken upon an amendment proposed to the Resolution. Here, however, the power of the Committee ceases. The Committee may vote or refuse a grant or may reduce the amount thereof either by a reduction of the whole grant or by the omission or reduction of the items of expenditure of which the grant is composed, but the Committee has no other functions" (page 709).

And again: "No method has been established for obtaining in the Committee a joint discussion upon the administration of the expenditure sanctioned by the several estimates; the debate must be kept to the specific object of the grant which is placed before the Committee" (page 713).

And again: "The necessity for legislation and matters involving legislation cannot be discussed in Committee of Supply" (page 717).

During the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne and on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply, and even under the debate on the granting of salary to a Minister, a great deal of latitude is permitted in the subjects for discussion. When one considers that so much time has already been devoted to these matters, the justice of a rule such as the one given above is very obvious. Discussions of subject-matter of this type—that is, legislation—can only be brought up under a substantive motion and it ill becomes an experienced member of the House to use such language in questioning the authority of the Chairman. It would be permissible to challenge the ruling but it is not courteous to address a Chairman in such a manner.

I would respectfully request that members do seriously study what I have said as it will be an invaluable guide in future Committee of Supply and Ways and Means debates.

T. J. IRWIN, *Speaker*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

196. *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, 1954.

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

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* presented the Sixth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 16th, 1953.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That your Committee has considered Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting Dental Technicians" and has heard in support thereof submissions complaining of conditions as to price and procedure in the obtaining of dentures and repairs thereto, which complaints your Committee feels the dental profession might be well advised to examine and, if necessary, rectify. However, your Committee is of opinion that the Bill presented is not in the public interest, and recommends, therefore, that the House do not proceed further with the said Bill, and recommends further that the fee of \$300, paid by the promoters, be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

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

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* presented the Seventh Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 16th, 1953.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to supersede and replace the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921,' being Chapter 55 of the Statutes of 1921 (Second

Session), and all Amendments thereto," has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

Mr. *H. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Has any action been taken pursuant to a Resolution of the House in the general Session of 1952 relative to investigation of drunken-driving problems and recommendations regarding same to be submitted to the Attorney-General and tabled with the Legislature at the present Session (Journals of the House, 1952, March 25th, page 91)?
2. If no action taken, why not?
3. If action taken, will the report be tabled with the House, and when?

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

"1. No; but meetings have been held between officials of the Department of the Attorney-General and those of the Department of Health and Welfare and the Department of the Provincial Secretary, the John Howard Society and the Alcoholics Rehabilitation Committee in Vancouver and others, regarding the problem of alcoholics generally, when proposals were discussed for rehabilitation of alcoholics. As a result of the foregoing meetings and certain submissions placed before the Attorney-General by interested parties and organizations since August 1st last, the Department of the Attorney-General proposes to examine the general question of alcoholism during the forthcoming year.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1 and No. 2."

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

1. Do the directors of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway plan to issue an audited statement to the Legislature at this Session showing what amounts have been expended on construction of the said railway since the last statement was presented?
2. What has been the average number of pay passengers per train carried north of Lillooet per trip during 1952?

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

"1. We are unable to ascertain when the last audited statement relative to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company was submitted to this Legislature. The last report on the accounts of the company by the company's auditor was dated June 25th, 1952, and is for the company's year ended December 31st, 1951, and this statement will be filed with this Legislature.

"2. North-bound, sixteen passengers, and south-bound, fourteen passengers."

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.

Monday, March 16th, 1953.

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.)

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,069,013 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Salaries, to 31st March, 1954.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,080,980 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Expenses, to 31st March, 1954.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$442,950 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1954.

221. *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, 1954.

222. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$142,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Management, to 31st March, 1954.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$65,230 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1954.

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 11.07 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father *Ward*.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:—

Honourable Members,—Arising out of the ruling given by the Speaker on Monday, March 16th, the Hon. the Leader of Her Majesty's Most Loyal Opposition raised the point that for at least the last twenty years any item shown as a statutory vote could be

discussed under the preceding numbered vote. There is no record of alleged practices of this House in respect to this matter, consequently I may only be guided by and rule upon our own Standing Orders and the practices obtaining in the Mother of Parliaments.

In respect to this, I would ask you to look at Standing Order No. 1, which says, and I quote:—

“1. In all cases not provided for hereafter or by sessional or other orders, the usages and customs of the House of Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as in force at the time shall be followed as far as they may be applicable to this House.”

In view of the fact that there are no sessional or other orders covering the procedure outlined, this House is bound by Standing Order No. 1. There is a further fact and that is that the House, whether sitting formally or in Committee, cannot indulge in indiscriminate discussion but must have something tangible to discuss—that is, a motion.

Any numbered item in the Estimates constitutes a motion and is subject to discussion, but any unnumbered item in the Estimates is equally, obviously, not a motion and, therefore, is not subject to discussion.

The House, of course, has always within itself the right to make any amendments to its Standing Orders or to lay down any ruling that it may regard as necessary for the proper conduct of the House, but I am bound by the knowledge at my disposal to adhere to the ruling made yesterday.

T. J. IRWIN, *Speaker*.

The Hon. E. M. Gunderson 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 the Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1954, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 17th, 1953.

(ENCLOSURE.)

*Amendments to Estimates of Sums required for the Service of the Province
for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1954.*

Page DD 81. Vote 131—Municipal Grants: Amend by striking out the figures “\$592,000.00” under the subhead “(a) Cities and Districts,” and substituting the figures “\$660,000.00”; and by striking out the figures “\$440,000.00” under the subhead “(b) Villages,” and substituting the figures “\$560,000.00”; and by striking out the figures “\$1,032,000.00,” being the total of Vote 131, and substituting the figures “\$1,220,000.00”; and amend all statements of totals and sums carried or brought forward in said Estimates so far as such amendments are necessary in consequence of the above-mentioned amendments.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

224. *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, 1954.

225. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$76,663 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Ranger School, to 31st March, 1954.

226. *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, 1954.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$71,750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1954.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Rentals, to 31st March, 1954.

229. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Boys' Training Camps, to 31st March, 1954.

230 (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, to 31st March, 1954.

231 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$420,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Reserve Account, to 31st March, 1954.

232 (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, Scaling Fund, to 31st March, 1954.

233 (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, to 31st March, 1954.

234 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Grazing: Range Improvement, to 31st March, 1954.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,591 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,808 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1954.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,670 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Lands Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

200. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,444 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Inspection Division, to 31st March, 1954.

201. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,562 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1954.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$69,854 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Land Utilization Research and Survey, to 31st March, 1954.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,905 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1954.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,550 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, 1954.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,000 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, 1954.

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$303,024 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Legal Surveys Division, to 31st March, 1954.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$128,092 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, 1954.

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$273,878 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, 1954.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$263,219 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Air Survey Division, to 31st March, 1954.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$241,007 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Hydraulic Surveys, to 31st March, 1954.

212. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$129,225 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Fraser River Basin Board, to 31st March, 1954.

213. *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, 1954.

214. *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, 1954.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,801 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, "Soldiers' Land Act" (Southern Okanagan Lands Project), to 31st March, 1954.

216. *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, 1954.

217 (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, 1954.

235. *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, 1954.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,858 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$133,658 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,794 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Analytical and Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$135,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$65,676 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Petroleum and Natural Gas, to 31st March, 1954.

241. *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, 1954.

242. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$205,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March, 1954.

243. *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, 1954.

244. *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, 1954.

245. *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, 1954.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1954.

247 (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, 1954.

317. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$405,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure out of Income, Forest Development Roads, to 31st March, 1954.

318. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$495,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure out of Income, Mining Roads, to 31st March, 1954.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, seconded by the Hon. *W. D. Black*, it was *Resolved*,—

That Messrs. *Miller*, *Reid*, and *Parker* be named members of the Select Standing Committee on Labour.

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

1. Was any land leased by the Government or the Department of Public Works adjacent to the new Public Works Building at Revelstoke?
2. If so, what was the date of the lease?
3. Was the Arrow Lakes Pole Company or C. S. Leary the lessee?
4. What were the terms of the lease, if any?
5. What is the area of the lease?
6. Who is the present lessee?

The Hon. *R. E. Sommers* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes; by the Department of Public Works.

“ 2. July 10th, 1936.

“ 3. From August 26th, 1936, to August 25th, 1943, the lessee was the Big Bend Cedar Pole Company and from August 26th, 1943, to August 25th, 1951, the lessee was the Arrow Lakes Cedar Pole Company Limited.

“ 4. The term of both leases was from year to year, with option of renewal, at an annual rental of \$25; the property was to be used only for storing, piling, and loading of poles.

“ 5. Approximately 2 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres.

“ 6. The property is not leased at present; it is now used by the Department of Public Works in connection with new garage and Public Works yard operations.”

Mr. *Moore* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

1. Has any iron ore been exported from the Argonaut mine at Campbell River since this mine has been in operation?

2. If so, (a) how many tons and (b) has the British Columbia Government received any revenue from this ore and what amount?

3. Has any portion of the old Forbes Landing Road been closed to the public and leased to the Argonaut Company?

4. If so, (a) how many miles and (b) for how much per year?

5. Has any reforested land been turned over to the Argonaut Company for road purposes?

6. If so, (a) how many acres, (b) what remuneration, if any, has this Province received for same, and (c) how much did it cost to reforest this area in the first place?

The Hon. *R. E. Sommers* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 779,922 tons and (b) no.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. (a) 2.25 miles and (b) \$1 per year.

“ 5. Yes; by a road right-of-way easement.

“ 6. (a) 20.8 acres, on which 12.8 acres were reforested by planting and 8 acres were natural regeneration; (b) \$33.50 per acre for 12.8 acres of planted right-of-way and \$18.50 per acre for 8 acres of natural regeneration, plus an annual rental fee for the use of right-of-way of \$5 per mile of road; and (c) \$33.50 per acre for the planted area.”

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 5.53 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17th, 1953.

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.)

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,812 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$83,838 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,848 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Office, to 31st March, 1954.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,279 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Insurance Office, to 31st March, 1954.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,476 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Office, to 31st March, 1954.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,544 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Credit Unions Act," to 31st March, 1954.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$83,156 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1954.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,376 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1954.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$82,429 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1954.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,435 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, to 31st March, 1954.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,578 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1954.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$510,467 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1954.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$225,166 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1954.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$68,168 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Stenographers, to 31st March, 1954.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$811,723 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$760,276 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Policing by Royal Canadian Mounted Police, to 31st March, 1954.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Incidental Police Expense, to 31st March, 1954.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Doukhobor Rehabilitation, to 31st March, 1954.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Doukhobor Guards, etc, to 31st March, 1954.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,156 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Corrections Office, to 31st March, 1954.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,472 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Nelson Gaol, to 31st March, 1954.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,550 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm, to 31st March, 1954.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$192,112 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Unit for Young Offenders, to 31st March, 1954.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$144,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Women's Gaol, to 31st March, 1954.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$88,679 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Prince George Women's Gaol, to 31st March, 1954.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,808 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Prince George Men's Gaol, to 31st March, 1954.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,808 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Kamloops Gaol, to 31st March, 1954.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$101,490 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, New Haven, to 31st March, 1954.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$74,582 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Probation Office, to 31st March, 1954.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$497,991 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, Administrative Division, to 31st March, 1954.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$162,187 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, Fisheries Management Division, to 31st March, 1954.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$76,536 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, Game Management Division, to 31st March, 1954.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$151,723 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds, to 31st March, 1954.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$283,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1954.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,478 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Crown Prosecutor's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1954.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation, to 31st March, 1954.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1954.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Narcotic Drug Treatment, to 31st March, 1954.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Alcoholic Treatment, to 31st March, 1954.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1954.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Magistrates' Convention, to 31st March, 1954.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1954.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, In Aid of Removal of Discriminatory Freight and Express Rates, to 31st March, 1954.

75 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Court of Appeal Act," to 31st March, 1954.

76 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Supreme Court Act," to 31st March, 1954.

77 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "County Courts Act," to 31st March, 1954.

78 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Magistrates Act," to 31st March, 1954.

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-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.08 a.m.

Wednesday, March 18th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon *Munn*.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and, on the motion of the Hon. *T. J. Rolston*, Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time 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.)

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$102,760 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$279,296 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,265 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office and B.C. House, London, England, to 31st March, 1954.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$340,783 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1954.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$477,120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Social Security and Educational Aid Tax Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,680 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Housing Commissioner, to 31st March, 1954.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Mechanical Tabulation Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,772 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Probate and Succession Duties Branch (including Corporation Taxation and Trust Companies), to 31st March, 1954.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$196,642 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, to 31st March, 1954.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Langford Warehouse, to 31st March, 1954.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1954.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Motor-vehicles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1954.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,338,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents, etc, to 31st March, 1954.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$248,492 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Estimates, Revenue Receipts, Bonds, Cheques, etc., to 31st March, 1954.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1954.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,220,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Municipal Grants, to 31st March, 1954.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Salary Contingencies (Salaries to be chargeable to Respective Services in 1953-54 Public Accounts), to 31st March, 1954.

133 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,550,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Municipalities Aid Act" (One-third Net Proceeds of Motor-vehicle and Chauffeurs' Licence Fees), to 31st March, 1954.

134 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,785,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Hospital Construction Act, 1950" (Payment of Revenue under "Amusements Tax Act"), to 31st March, 1954.

135 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,680,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Highway Development Act" (Payment of Revenue under "Gasoline Tax Act"), to 31st March, 1954.

136 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Supreme Court Act" (Payment of Interest on Suitors' Fund Deposits), to 31st March, 1954.

137 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$550,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Civil Service Superannuation Act"—Interest on Civil Service Superannuation and Retirement Funds, to 31st March, 1954.

138 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Dyking Assessments Adjustments Act, 1905," to 31st March, 1954.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$830,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure out of Income, Development and Construction of Housing Projects, to 31st March, 1954.

224. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$326,760 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure out of Income, Recoverable Expenditure, to 31st March, 1954.

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

Mrs. *Hodges* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Has the Government required the Purchasing Commission to obtain competitive bids on the purchase of all or any goods and services required?
2. If yes, does this apply to automobile and automotive equipment?
3. Does the Government require an arbitrary 10 per cent discount from such automobile regular prices before any tender will be considered?
4. Does this arbitrary 10 per cent apply to other purchases?
5. If yes, to what others?

The Hon. *E. M. Gunderson* replied as follows:—

"1. Section 13 of the 'Purchasing Commission Act' governs the buying methods of the Purchasing Commission and orders are currently on a competitive basis in over 80 per cent of the business placed.

"2. Yes.

"3. Since coming into power, your Government became aware that the Dominion Government and certain large industrial users were receiving a 10-per-cent discount on automobiles purchased and, as this Government operates a large fleet, it was felt that we were entitled to a similar discount. The majority of dealers have agreed to this discount of 10 per cent on the list price, the same as is granted to the Dominion and large industrial users. Consequently, where this is not granted, tenders are not considered, as they are no longer competitive.

"4. No; discounts vary widely in the various trades and in many cases exceed 10 per cent.

"5. See answer to No. 4."

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

1. On what date was H. Carl Goldenberg retained as special economic counsel for the British Columbia Government?
2. What arrangements have been made with him as to the amounts or sums he will be paid as salary, fees, retainers, or honorariums?
3. What is the total sum of money that has been paid to him by the British Columbia Government since the date mentioned in No. 1 until this date?

4. For what further length of time does the Government expect to require the services of H. Carl Goldenberg as special economic counsel?

5. What is the total sum of money the Government estimates it will have to pay him for such services?

The Hon. *E. M. Gunderson* replied as follows:—

“ 1. No commitment has, as yet, been authorized by the Government.

“ 2. *See* answer to No. 1.

“ 3. *See* answer to No. 1.

“ 4. Not known.

“ 5. Fifteen thousand dollars has been allocated in Vote 130, Incidentals and Contingencies, Department of Finance, for possible costs in this connection.”

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 18th, 1953.

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.)

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,438 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,540,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, *Per Diem* Grants under Sec. 4 of “Hospital Act,” to 31st March, 1954.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$97,416 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1954.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,033,428 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Subsidy to Hospital Insurance Service, to 31st March, 1954.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$516,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Provincial Infirmaries, to 31st March, 1954.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$176,574 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, General Services, to 31st March, 1954.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Cancer Control (including Grants, etc.), to 31st March, 1954.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$185,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants to Public Health Services, Metropolitan Areas, to 31st March, 1954.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants in Aid of Arthritis Control, to 31st March, 1954.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants in Aid of Physical Rehabilitation, to 31st March, 1954.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Crippled Children (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1954.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Professional Training (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1954.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Public Health Research (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1954.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Health Survey (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1954.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, General Public Health (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1954.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants *re* Local Health Services Building Construction, to 31st March, 1954.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$659,554 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Local Health Services, to 31st March, 1954.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$236,874 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Laboratories, to 31st March, 1954.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$207,478 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Vital Statistics, to 31st March, 1954.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$121,956 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Venereal Disease Control, to 31st March, 1954.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$105,476 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Central Office, District Nursing, and Social Services, to 31st March, 1954.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$86,196 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Travelling Clinics, to 31st March, 1954.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,987,666 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, In-patient Care and Stationary Clinics, to 31st March, 1954.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Tuberculosis Control (Federal Programme), to 31st March, 1954.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,570 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Office of the Deputy Minister, to 31st March, 1954.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,814 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Director of Welfare and Family Division, to 31st March, 1954.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,215,203 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Field Service, to 31st March, 1954.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,734 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Medical Services, to 31st March, 1954.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1954.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, "Residence and Responsibility Act"—Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Social Allowances (including Grants), to 31st March, 1954.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$155,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Supplementary Social Allowance for Mothers' Allowances Cases, to 31st March, 1954.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Administration and Operation of Project and Pavilion for Japanese at New Denver, to 31st March, 1954.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,762,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Medical Services, Drugs, etc., to 31st March, 1954.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,550,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Hospitalization of Social Assistance Cases, to 31st March, 1954.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,685 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Child Welfare Division, Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,055,555 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Child Welfare Division, Maintenance of Dependent Children and Grants to Homes, to 31st March, 1954.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Child Welfare Division, Jewish Overseas Children, to 31st March, 1954.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,732 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1954.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$289,421 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial School for Boys, to 31st March, 1954.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,378 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial School for Girls, to 31st March, 1954.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,925,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Cost-of-living Bonus paid to Recipients of Old-age Assistance, Universal Old-age Security, and Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1954.

183 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,344,464 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, "Old-age Assistance Act," 1951, and "Blind Persons' Allowances Act," 1951, to 31st March, 1954.

184 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$270,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, "Mothers' Allowances Act," to 31st March, 1954.

320. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,215,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure out of Income, Grants in Aid of Construction and Equipment of Hospitals, including Repayable Advances, to 31st March, 1954.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

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, March 19th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *L. Millin*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,916 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1954.

186. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$215,772 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,484 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Board of Industrial Relations, to 31st March, 1954.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,512 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1954.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,218 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Apprenticeship Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Trade-schools Regulation Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,430 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,860 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Labour Relations Board, to 31st March, 1954.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,112 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, "Indian Inquiry Act," to 31st March, 1954.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,540 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Rentals Control Office, to 31st March, 1954.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Automobiles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1954.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *T. J. Rolston*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

The Hon. *T. J. Rolston* 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 'Public Schools Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 19th, 1953.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. *T. J. Rolston* 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 grant certain Powers to Boards of School Trustees," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 19th, 1953.

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. 80) intituled "An Act to grant certain Powers to Boards of School Trustees," 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. *Kenney* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following questions:—

1. How many fires were burning in the Langford Forest District as at September 1st, 1952?
2. How many forest fires occurred in the Langford Forest District during the month of September, 1952?
3. How many fires were burning in the said district as at October 1st, 1952?
4. How many fires occurred in the said district during October, 1952?
5. Was a suppression crew or crews employed in the Langford Forest District during the fire season of 1952?
6. If yes, how many men were employed in each suppression crew?
7. When was such crew laid off?
8. Was there a curtailment of expenditures for fighting fires ordered by the Department during the months of (a) September and (b) October?
9. If curtailment ordered, was such order amended in October to permit of the protection of property, such as homes, during the month of October?

The Hon. *R. E. Sommers* replied as follows:—

- " 1. Two fires.
- " 2. Thirteen accidental and four intentional slash; total, seventeen fires.
- " 3. Six accidental and four slash; total, ten fires.
- " 4. Fourteen accidental and thirteen slash burns; total, twenty-seven fires.
- " 5. One suppression crew was employed in the Langford Forest District during the fire season of 1952.
- " 6. Average of eleven (university undergraduates or high-school students).
- " 7. September 15th, 1952 (to return to studies).
- " 8. (a) and (b) No.
- " 9. See answer to No. 8 above."

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

1. *Re* Vote 2, page 5, Estimates, 1953–54, into what (a) groupings and (b) wage-scale rates are “sessional employees” classified?
2. Are night sittings paid straight time or overtime rates?
3. (a) After how many hours or (b) at what time do overtime rates start for sessional employees on day shift?
4. On what basis is overtime paid?

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

- “ 1. (a) No groupings and (b) no wage-scale rates.
- “ 2. Straight time—one day’s pay for one night sitting.
- “ 3. *See* answer to No. 2.
- “ 4. *See* answer to No. 2.”

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

1. Has the Government appointed an engineer to study the clearing of the areas to be inundated in Tweedsmuir Park?
2. If such appointment has not been made, is the matter under consideration and when will action be taken?
3. If no action has been taken or is being considered, what are the reasons?
4. Is the Government considering at this Session the making of definite concrete proposals to clear the areas being inundated in Tweedsmuir Park?

The Hon. *R. E. Sommers* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2 and 3. Not applicable.
- “ 4. Matter is still under consideration.”

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.

Friday, March 20th, 1953.

HALF-PAST TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. L. Clerihue*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$124,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Administration, to 31st March, 1954.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,796 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Division of Curriculum, to 31st March, 1954.
82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$325,697 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1954.
83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,705 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Tests, Standards, and Research, to 31st March, 1954.
84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,848 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Educational and Vocational Guidance, to 31st March, 1954.
85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,945 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer School and Teacher-training for Special Certificates, to 31st March, 1954.
86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,572 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Radio Broadcasts, to 31st March, 1954.
87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,223 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Visual Education, to 31st March, 1954.
88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,274 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1954.
89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$342,521 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Adult Education, to 31st March, 1954.
90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, High School and Senior Matriculation Examinations, to 31st March, 1954.
91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$166,667 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, High Correspondence School, to 31st March, 1954.
92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,217 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Elementary Correspondence School, to 31st March, 1954.
93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,857 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Vancouver Normal School, to 31st March, 1954.
94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,234 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Victoria Normal School, to 31st March, 1954.
95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$237,361 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind, to 31st March, 1954.
96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$98,042 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Library, to 31st March, 1954.
97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,740 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Archives, to 31st March, 1954.
98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$176,076 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Public Library Commission, to 31st March, 1954.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,589 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1954.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1954.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$290,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-books, Maps, etc., to 31st March, 1954.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Essential New Equipment, to 31st March, 1954.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,810,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Superannuation Fund 6% ("Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act"), to 31st March, 1954.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Special Aid to School Districts, to 31st March, 1954.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children and Expenses, to 31st March, 1954.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Board of Reference—Remuneration and Expenses, to 31st March, 1954.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Incidentals, Grants, and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1954.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1954.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$65,510 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, University Endowment Lands, to 31st March, 1954.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Special Grant to Victoria College, to 31st March, 1954.

112 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Advances *re* Rural School and Library Taxes, to 31st March, 1954.

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

The Hon. *R. E. Sommers* presented the following papers:—

The Annual Report of the Forest Service of the Department of Lands and Forests for the Calendar Year 1952.

The Annual Report of the Lands Service for the Year ended December 31st, 1952.

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.