

Wednesday, March 27th, 1957.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting Municipalities" was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, the Rules were suspended and the Bill considered as reported.

On the motion that the Bill be read a third time now, Mr. *Gregory* moved that the motion that Bill (No. 24) be read a third time now be amended by deleting the word "now" and substituting the words "six months hence."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—2.

Messieurs

Gregory

Gibbs

NAYS—44.

Messieurs

Campbell
Lundell
Smith
Shirreff
Sharp
Squire
Eddie
Gargrave
Dowding
Newton
Richter

Tisdalle
Bruch
Nimsick
Haggen, Mrs.
Harding
Strachan
Turner
Bate
Shelford
Shantz
Reid

Price
Corbett
Sommers
Brown, Mrs.
Kiernan
Williston
Bennett
Bonner
Black
Carnell
Bryan

Steady
Murray
Massey
Asselstine
Robinson
Westwood
Chant
Peterson
Martin
Gaglardi
Wicks

PAIR:

Messieurs

Uphill

Roche

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting Municipalities" was read a third time and passed.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act.'"

The debate continued.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—12.

Messieurs

Gregory
Gibbs
Squire

Eddie
Gargrave
Dowding

Nimsick
Haggen, Mrs.
Harding

Strachan
Turner
Shelford

NAYS—34.

Messieurs

<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Shantz</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Westwood</i>
<i>Shirreff</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Sharp</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Bryan</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Newton</i>	<i>Sommers</i>	<i>Steady</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Richter</i>	<i>Brown, Mrs.</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Massey</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Williston</i>		

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Uphill**Roche*

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—11.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Gibbs</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Squire</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>	

NAYS—32.

Messieurs

<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Shantz</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Westwood</i>
<i>Shirreff</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Sharp</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Bryan</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Newton</i>	<i>Brown, Mrs.</i>	<i>Steady</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Richter</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Massey</i>	<i>Wicks</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Uphill**Roche*

The House continued to sit after midnight.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Labour Relations Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade-unions Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House reverted to the Order for "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mrs. *Haggen* on the 15th instant, as follows:—

Whereas procedure used in many public abattoirs and slaughter-places in British Columbia in killing food animals and fowls is not now consistent with proven humane and modern methods:

And whereas information is available on these methods now in use the world over:

Therefore be it Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the Government should consider the advisability of introducing legislation, at the earliest possible date, to ensure that when animals and fowls are slaughtered commercially for food, humane methods are used.

And on the amendment thereto moved by the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*, as follows:—

To strike out all words after "House," in the second line of the second paragraph, and to insert the following: "The Government of Canada be requested to give consideration to amending the Criminal Code so as to prohibit slaughter of food animals in packing-houses without stunning prior to bleeding, and to give due consideration to the religious requirements of ethnic groups in Canada."

The debate continued.

The amendment was agreed to.

The motion as amended was agreed to.

Mr. *Dowding* moved as follows:—

Be it Resolved, That, subject to the provisions of Standing Orders 47 (2), (3), and 48 respectively, the practice of requiring verbal answers from Ministers of the Crown to questions placed on the Order Paper where such questions are "starred" questions shall henceforth be adhered to in this House for the first twenty sitting days of each Session, in accordance with the general practice followed in Westminster and in the Canadian House of Commons, and that the substance of such verbal replies shall be in writing and filed with the Clerk of the House and entered in the Journals of the Session:

And be it further Resolved, That a period of not more than one-half hour be allowed for verbal replies to such "starred" questions at the time for "Questions put by Members," referred to in Standing Order 25, and that such questions be taken in order and if not answered on the day proposed therefor, shall take their place on the Order Paper for the next day following.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

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

1. In view of the commitment of the Minister of Agriculture that the farm programme advertising programme was a part of a permanent programme, when is it anticipated to begin such advertising in 1957?

2. What was the total sum spent on the programme in 1956, what firm handled the advertising, and was a competition held?

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

“ 1. Not before June 1st, 1957.

“ 2. (a) \$105,004.55, (b) James Lovick & Company Limited and Canadian Advertising Agency Limited, and (c) a competition was held.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.03 a.m.

Thursday, March 28th, 1957.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Very Rev. *Brian Whitlow*.

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

Gerald H. Cross, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

- (No. 1) An Act to amend the “ Agent-General Act.”
- (No. 3) An Act to amend the “ Cemeteries Act.”
- (No. 4) An Act establishing a Committee to consider Matters regarding the Status and Rights of Indians in the Province.
- (No. 5) An Act to provide for Compensation to Blind Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Disease contracted in the Course of their Employment.
- (No. 6) An Act to amend the “ Evidence Act.”
- (No. 7) An Act to amend the “ Bills of Sale Act.”
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the “ Central Park Act.”
- (No. 9) An Act to amend the “ Centennial Celebration Act.”
- (No. 10) An Act to repeal the “ Ladner Bridge Agreement Modification Act.”
- (No. 11) An Act to repeal the “ Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, Act.”
- (No. 12) An Act to amend the “ Boiler and Pressure-vessel Act.”
- (No. 13) An Act to impose a Tax on the Income derived from Insurance Premiums.
- (No. 14) An Act respecting Provincial Grants to Residential Home-owners.
- (No. 15) An Act to amend the “ Mechanics' Lien Act, 1956.”
- (No. 16) An Act to amend the “ Taxation Act.”
- (No. 17) An Act to amend the “ Mining Tax Act.”
- (No. 18) An Act to authorize and implement an Agreement between the Governments of Canada and the Province.
- (No. 19) An Act to amend the “ Logging Tax Act.”
- (No. 20) An Act to amend the “ Psychiatric Nurses Act.”
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the “ Pharmacy Act.”
- (No. 22) An Act to amend the “ Physiotherapists and Massage Practitioners Act.”
- (No. 24) An Act respecting Municipalities.
- (No. 25) An Act to amend the “ Marriage Act.”

- (No. 26) An Act to amend the "Pipe-lines Act."
(No. 27) An Act to amend the "Truck Act."
(No. 28) An Act to amend the "Deceased Workmen's Wages Act."
(No. 29) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Act."
(No. 30) An Act to amend the "Iron and Steel Bounties Act."
(No. 31) An Act respecting Bounties on Iron.
(No. 32) An Act to amend the "Distress Area Assistance Act."
(No. 33) An Act respecting Freight Assistance for Feed-grain.
(No. 34) An Act to amend the "Soldiers' Land Act."
(No. 35) An Act to amend the "Court of Appeal Act."
(No. 36) An Act to amend the "Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954."
(No. 37) An Act to amend the "Protection of Children Act."
(No. 38) An Act to amend the "Department of Lands and Forests Act."
(No. 39) An Act to authorize and implement an Agreement between Canada and the Province with respect to Fort Langley.
(No. 40) An Act with respect to the Permanent Maintenance of the Alberta-British Columbia Boundary.
(No. 41) An Act to amend the "Constitution Act."
(No. 42) An Act to amend the "Game Act."
(No. 43) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."
(No. 44) An Act to amend the "Fisheries Act."
(No. 45) An Act to create a Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce and to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, the Encouragement of Industry, the Collection and Publication of Statistics, and the Development of Trade.
(No. 46) An Act respecting the Department of Recreation and Conservation.
(No. 47) An Act to amend the "Police and Prisons Regulation Act."
(No. 48) An Act to amend the "Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act."
(No. 49) An Act to amend the "Credit Unions Act."
(No. 50) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Charter."
(No. 52) An Act to incorporate the Medical Services Association of British Columbia.
(No. 53) An Act respecting Canadian Pacific Railway Company and certain Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.
(No. 54) An Act to validate the Articles of Association and the By-laws of Point Grey Golf and Country Club Limited and Point Grey Golf and Country Club.
(No. 55) An Act to amend the "Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."
(No. 56) An Act to amend the "Pacific Coast Fishermen's Mutual Marine Insurance Company Act, 1945."
(No. 57) An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria.
(No. 58) An Act to amend the "Powell River-Vancouver Ferry Connections Act."
(No. 61) An Act to amend the "Assessment Equalization Act, 1953."
(No. 62) An Act to repeal the "Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Extension Act, 1913."
(No. 63) An Act to repeal the "Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Terminals Act, 1913."
(No. 64) An Act to amend the "British Columbia University Act."
(No. 65) An Act to amend the "Vital Statistics Act."

- (No. 66) An Act respecting the Operation of Motor-vehicles and respecting Highway Traffic.
- (No. 67) An Act to amend the "County Court Act."
- (No. 68) An Act to provide for the Incorporation of The Corporation of the City of White Rock.
- (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Power Act."
- (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act."
- (No. 71) An Act to amend the "Municipal Cemeteries Act."
- (No. 72) An Act respecting Special Regulations and Services for Local Areas.
- (No. 73) An Act to validate certain Municipal Agreements relating to Employee Superannuation.
- (No. 74) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Assistance Act."
- (No. 76) An Act to amend the "Motor Carrier Act."
- (No. 77) An Act to amend the "Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1954."
- (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Hospital Act."
- (No. 80) An Act to amend the "Hospital Insurance Act."
- (No. 81) An Act to repeal the "Maple Ridge-Langley Ferry By-laws Validation Act."
- (No. 82) An Act to amend the "Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1956."
- (No. 83) An Act to repeal the "Strathcona Park Act."
- (No. 84) An Act to amend the "Laws Declaratory Act."
- (No. 85) An Act to amend the "Insurance Act."
- (No. 86) An Act to amend the "Innkeepers Act."
- (No. 87) An Act to provide for Taxation of Land based on the Minerals therein.
- (No. 88) An Act to amend the "Greater Nanaimo Water District Act."
- (No. 89) An Act to amend the "Public Utilities Act."
- (No. 90) An Act to amend the "Tourist Accommodation Regulation Act."
- (No. 91) An Act to amend the "Mineral Act."
- (No. 92) An Act respecting the Adoption of Children.
- (No. 93) An Act to amend the "Annual Holidays Act, 1956."
- (No. 96) An Act to provide for the Payment of a Grant to Linda Marion Winch.

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

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

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

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

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

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this, the First Session of the Twenty-fifth Parliament, I desire to express my appreciation for the attention which you have given to the numerous matters submitted for your consideration.

It is commendable to note that you have passed an "Act to provide for Compensation to Blind Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Disease contracted in the Course of their Employment."

The new Department of Recreation and Conservation and the new Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce will greatly assist the tourist industry and the tremendous industrial expansion taking place in British Columbia.

I am pleased to note that an Act has been passed authorizing the Minister of Finance to sign, on behalf of the Province, a Tax-rental Agreement with the Government of Canada.

The "Provincial Home-owner Grant Act" will give tax relief to the resident home-owner.

The revision and consolidation of municipal legislation in the new "Municipal Act" is most commendable, as well as the new "Act respecting the Operation of Motor-vehicles and respecting Highway Traffic."

I thank you for the supplies which you have granted for the Public Service, which will enable the continuation of my Government's programme throughout the fiscal year.

In closing this Session, I trust that the blessing of Divine Providence will accompany you to your respective homes.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* (Provincial Secretary) then said:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please the Lieutenant-Governor to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

T. J. IRWIN, *Speaker.*