

Monday, February 24th, 1947.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. W. MacPherson.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,  
February 20th, 1947.*

*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. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Farmers' Land-clearing Assistance 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.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to validate the Assessment Roll for the Municipality of Langley for the Year 1947" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

On the motion of Mr. *Straith*—Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act respecting The London and Western Trusts Company Limited and The Canada Trust Company."

On the motion of Mr. *Brown*—Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to incorporate the National General Insurance Company."

On the motion of Mrs. *Hodges*—Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the C. U. & C. Insurance Company."

On the motion of Mr. *MacDougall*—Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to incorporate The Roman Catholic Bishop of Kamloops and his Successors in Office a Corporation Sole.”

On the motion of Mr. *Brown*—Bill (No. 54) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.’”

On the motion of Mr. *Uphill*—Bill (No. 55) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Morrissey, Fernie and Michel Railway Act, 1903.’”

On the motion of Mr. *Straitth*—Bill (No. 56) intituled “An Act to amend ‘An Act to incorporate The Anglican Synod of the Diocese of British Columbia, 1889.’”

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Balance-sheet of the Land Settlement Board as at December 31st, 1945.

Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ended December 31st, 1945.

By the Hon. Mr. *Eyres*—

Second Annual Report of the British Columbia Industrial and Scientific Research Council for the Year ended March 31st, 1946.

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Gargrave*:—

1. Of sale price of typical bottle of imported Scotch whisky (*a*) how much is paid to distiller and for transportation, (*b*) how much goes to Dominion Government, and (*c*) how much goes to Provincial Government?

2. Of sale price of typical bottle of domestic rye whisky (*a*) how much goes to distiller and for transportation, (*b*) how much goes to Dominion Government, and (*c*) how much goes to Provincial Government?

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

1. What timber limits, if any, in the Lardeau area of the Kootenay Land District are held at present by private operators?

2. What limits are still held by the Government?

3. Is there any reserve on the further disposal of Government limits?

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* replied as follows:—

“1. The following three timber licences in the Lardeau River drainage-basin, Kootenay Land District, are in good standing: Timber Licence 2948P, Timber Licence 7036P, and Timber Licence 7037P.

“2. The surface area of all lapsed timber licences in the drainage-basin in No. 1 remains vested in the Crown, save for alienations under statutory enactments.

“3. No.”

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

1. Is it the intention of the Government to establish a Land Registry Office at Prince George?

2. If yes, will construction of a suitable building be undertaken this year?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

“1. It is not the intention of the Government to establish a Land Registry Office at Prince George at the present time.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Has the British Columbia Power Commission entered into any negotiations for the acquisition of the present lighting and power plant at Burns Lake?
2. If yes, what progress has been made?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. The Commission has requested the owner to supply an inventory of the distribution plant, together with the price at which he would be willing to transfer such plant to the Commission. No reply has been received to date.”

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

1. Is remedial action taken when the owner of Crown-granted timber limits is in arrears of payment to the Forest Protection Fund?
2. If so, after how many years does the Government take action?

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. There is no time-limit. Action is taken as soon as it is considered necessary and according to the circumstances of the debtor.”

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

1. Has the Provincial Department of Agriculture asked the Dominion Department of Agriculture for a review of contract prices of eggs, beef, and other farm produce under contract to be sold to Great Britain, with a view to getting an upward revision in the price to take care of the rise in the cost of feed brought about by the rise in the domestic wheat price?
2. If no, what action is contemplated?

The Hon. Mr. *Putnam* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

*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 5.30 p.m.

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Tuesday, February 25th, 1947.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *Robert Connell*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

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

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

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

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

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

REPORT No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
February 25th, 1947.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in respect to the petition of the British Columbia Sugar Refining Company, Limited; Hamish D. MacKenzie; Burns & Company, Limited; and Ross & Howard Iron Works Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "An Act respecting certain Water-lots in the Port of Vancouver" have been complied with, except in respect to advertising, and your Committee recommends that this Rule be suspended and that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. T. STRAITH, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Forty-second Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the Year ended March 31st, 1946.

Report of the Civil Service Commission for the Year ended December 31st, 1946.

Thirty-second Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Girls for the Year ended March 31st, 1946.

By the Hon. Mr. *Kenney*—

Report of the Dyking, Drainage, and Irrigation Commission, submitted December 24th, 1946.

*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 5.20 p.m.

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Wednesday, February 26th, 1947.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *A. E. deL. Nunns*.

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

That the Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year 1945-46 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1948;

Supplementary Estimates of Expenditures for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1947;

Schedule A. Sums granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1946, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 24th, 1947.*

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

The Hon. Mr. *Anscomb* presented the Report of the Comptroller-General, pursuant to the provisions of the "Audit Act," chapter 19, R.S.B.C. 1936.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The Hon. Mr. *Anscomb* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *H. E. Winch*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of Mr. *McDonell*, Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act respecting certain Water-lots in the Port of Vancouver" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Mr. *Smith* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—  
Is any provision being made for new snow-removal equipment in the Stewart-Premier area?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

"Yes."

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

1. What progress has been made with the Atlin-Jake's Corner Road survey?
2. Has the money appropriated for this purpose, and which was to be matched with a similar amount by the Dominion Government Department of Mines and Resources, been expended?
3. What plans are there for the construction of this road this year?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

- "1. Field-work completed, plans and profiles in course of preparation.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. No definite plans at present."

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

1. How many, if any, contracts for road construction or maintenance were let to private concerns in Omineca District for the last fiscal year?
2. How many in Fort George District?
3. How many in Skeena District?
4. What, if any, was the cost of work done in each district?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

- "1. None.
- "2. Two.
- "3. None.
- "4. Prince George, \$176,220.82."

*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 4.59 p.m.

## Thursday, February 27th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. Pike*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 27th, 1947.*

*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. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 27th, 1947.*

*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. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 27th, 1947.*

*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. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1946,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 27th, 1947.*

*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. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1946,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1943,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 27th, 1947.*

*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. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1943,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

C. A. BANKS,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*February 27th, 1947.*

*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. 17) intituled "An Act to appropriate a Part of Revenue Surpluses for certain Expenditures," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

That on Thursday, February 27th, and all following days of the Session there will be two distinct sittings in each day, one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Anscomb*—

Fourth Annual Report of the Purchasing Commission for the Period January 1st, 1946, to December 31st, 1946.

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into Health and Accident Insurance Associations operating in the Province of British Columbia.

Report of the Royal Commission on Societies which pay a Death Benefit derived in Whole or in Part from Assessment.

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

1. What sections of those engaged in the fishing industry are covered by the "Workmen's Compensation Act"?

2. What action, if any, is being taken to include all engaged in the industry?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

"1. Part I. of the 'Workmen's Compensation Act' applies to employers and workmen in or about the industry of fishing. The words 'employer' and 'workman' are defined in that Act. Persons who are in business for themselves, but who have no employer and no workman, are not within the scope of Part I. of the Act.

"2. The Act only allows inclusion in the case of (a) a person who qualifies under the terms of workman as defined in the Act and (b) a person who qualifies under the terms of employer as defined in the Act. This basic statutory requirement applies to the fishing industry, as in the case of all industries to which Part I. applies."

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

1. Is research being carried on to make it possible to use surplus farm products as raw material for industrial purposes?

2. If yes, what progress has been made?

The Hon. Mr. *Putnam* replied as follows:—

"1. Research is a Dominion Government activity under an arrangement by which, to prevent overlapping of agricultural services, the Dominion and Provincial Departments each have clearly defined fields of operation.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

*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 5.28 p.m.

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## Friday, February 28th, 1947.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *W. J. Sipprell*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mrs. *Hodges*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Annual Report on the Development of Apprenticeship in British Columbia for the Calendar Year 1946.

Report on Hospital Statistics and Administration of the "Hospital Act" for the Year ended December 31st, 1945.

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

1. What was the total log-scale for the Nelson forestry district for the year 1946?
2. What was the number of railway-ties produced in this district in 1946?
3. What was the total number of poles produced in this district in 1946 (a) from cedar, (b) from fir, and (c) from all sources?
4. What was the total revenue accruing to the Government from this district for 1946 (a) from royalties, (b) from stumpage, and (c) from all forest products produced in this district?

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* replied as follows:—

- “1. 161,634,651 feet board-measure.
- “2. 121,988 pieces hewn railway-ties.
- “3. (a) 3,654,758 lineal feet, (b) 1,130,603 lineal feet, and (c) 5,117,587 lineal feet.
- “4. (a) \$161,511.86, (b) \$223,696.81, and (c) \$416,318.31.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.18 p.m.

## Monday, March 3rd, 1947.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. G. Griffiths*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion “That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair” for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion of Mrs. *Rolston*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education to inquire into the operations of selected institutions supported wholly or in part by Government funds, and of matters pertaining to health, social welfare, and education, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; to hear representations from individuals and public bodies; and to report to the House such findings and recommendations in respect thereof as the said Committee may deem advisable.

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

C. A. BANKS,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified,” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*February 28th, 1947.*

*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. 29) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the Annual Report of the Provincial Museum of Natural History and Anthropology for the Year 1945.

*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 5.22 p.m.

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Tuesday, March 4th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.  
The debate continued.

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

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

1. What sum, if any, has the Government promised to contribute toward the cost of residences which the City of New Westminster proposes to erect for the accommodation of its senior citizens (old-age pensioners)?
2. What is (a) the estimated total cost of building same and (b) the number of persons for whom accommodation will be provided in this particular undertaking?
3. Is it the policy of the Government to contribute a similar percentage of cost in all cases of municipally owned residences for such dependent persons?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

"1. The Government has promised the City of New Westminster that it will contribute \$20,000 towards the cost of erection of accommodation for senior citizens upon the understanding that a building at a cost of not less than \$40,000 will be erected; that the land will be supplied by the City of New Westminster; and that water and light will be provided for by the City of New Westminster.

"2. (a) Answered by above and (b) twenty-eight.

"3. The policy of the Government is to contribute up to one-third of the cost of buildings erected by municipalities or approved organizations for senior citizens."

Mr. *H. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. How many credit unions were operating in British Columbia in (a) 1938 and (b) 1946?
2. How many credit unions in 1946 had their charters suspended?
3. For what reasons were they suspended?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) Two and (b) 142.

“ 2. Four.

“ 3. Three for failure to supply information to the Inspector of Credit Unions and one for carrying on business in an unsafe manner.”

*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 p.m.

## Wednesday, March 5th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *K. L. Sandercock*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion “ That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair ” for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ British Columbia University Loan Act, 1945, ’ ” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*March 5th, 1947.*

*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. 31) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ British Columbia University Loan Act, 1945, ’ ” 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.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Weir*, Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act respecting British Columbia Registered Music Teachers' Association" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* presented the Report of the British Columbia Research Council on the Location of Marine Plants of Economic Importance in British Columbia Coastal Waters.

*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 4.42 p.m.

## Thursday, March 6th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Very Rev. Dean *S. H. Elliott*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 6th, 1947.*

*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. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* presented the Regulations governing the Construction and Operation of Frozen Food Locker Plants, made pursuant to section 7 of the "Health Act."

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

1. Have any cities or municipalities of British Columbia availed themselves of the "Slum Clearance Act"?

2. If so, which and to what extent?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

"1. No; this Act, under section 8, requires an agreement between the Dominion and the municipality under the 'National Housing Act,' 1944, and there is no record of any such agreements being made."

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

1. What is the number of occupied beds in the Provincial Infirmary at Marpole?

2. What is the number of approved applications awaiting similar accommodation?

3. Has action been (a) taken or (b) contemplated with a view to providing additional accommodation for this type of patient in some other location?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

"1. 139; there is further infirmary accommodation as follows: Allco, 74; Mount St. Mary (Victoria), 100.

"2. Seventy-six.

"3. Consideration is being given to provision of both additional temporary accommodation and new permanent accommodation."

*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 5.43 p.m.

Friday, March 7th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Major *David Hammond*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

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

By Mr. *Corsbie*—Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act.'"

By Mr. *Morrow*—Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act respecting Agrologists."

By the Hon. Mr. *Kenney*—Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Kenney*—Bill (No. 25) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘University Endowment Lands Administration Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Police and Prisons Regulation Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 20) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Administration Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Curators Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Savings and Loan Associations Act.’”

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

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

Bill (No. 2) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Constitution Act.’”

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act respecting the Department of Fisheries” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Gargrave*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Bills of Sale Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *H. E. Winch*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

1. How many nurses are on the staff at Essondale?
2. How many are (a) registered nurses, (b) graduates in mental hygiene, (c) students in training, and (d) probationers?
3. What are the respective scales of salary?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

“1. 237.

“2. (a) 12, (b) 37, (c) 165, and (d) 23.

“3. Salary scales (deduction for board and room is \$20 per month; cost-of-living bonus is in addition to the salaries as shown):—

“Psychiatric nurse, Grade A: First year, \$80; second year, \$85; third year, \$90; and fourth year, \$100; add \$5 for deputy charge.

“Psychiatric nurse, Grade B (in receipt of certificate): First year, \$80; second year, \$85; third year, \$95; and fourth year, \$110; add \$10 for charge.

“Graduates from other mental hospitals start at \$100 per month.

“Registered nurse with psychiatric training: First year, \$135; second year, \$140; third year, \$145; fifth year, \$150; seventh year, \$155; and ninth year, \$160; \$10 per month extra for supervisory positions.

“Assistant instructress and assistant superintendent of nurses: Salary scale is the same as registered nurses in supervisory positions, starting at \$145.

“Instructress (supervisor, Grade 1): First year, \$160; second year, \$165; third year, \$170; fifth year, \$175; seventh year, \$180; and ninth year, \$185.

“Superintendent of nurses (supervisor, Grade 2): First year, \$175; second year, \$185; third year, \$195; fifth year, \$205; seventh year, \$215; and ninth year, \$225.

“An extra \$5 per month is allowed for night duty.”



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

1. Have any plans been made for the establishment of a Government Agency at Burns Lake?

2. If so, what progress has been made?

The Hon. Mr. *Anscomb* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Plans under preparation.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.43 p.m.

## Monday, March 10th, 1947.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. W. Anderson*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion “ That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair ” for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Report of the Provincial Game Commission for the Year ended December 31st, 1945.

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Thirteenth Annual Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board of the Province of British Columbia for the Year ended December 31st, 1946.

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

1. How many field-men are employed in the Prince Rupert area of “ D ” Division of the Game Department?

2. What are the boundaries of the area covered by this particular section?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Two.

“ 2. That portion of the Mainland coast extending south of Portland Inlet and Alice Arm to a line running north-east from the 51st parallel of north latitude through Milbanke Sound, Don Peninsula, the headwaters of Kitlope River to the summit of the Cascade Mountains, and including all the area between these two boundaries lying west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains, and including the Queen Charlotte Islands.”

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

1. Is the highway between McBride and Jasper in condition to allow ordinary traffic?
2. If not, will it be improved this year?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

- “1. No.
- “2. No; improvement very costly and other projects more urgent.”

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

1. Has the necessary work been carried out to protect the Lardeau-Gerrard Road in the several places where the road foundation was severely damaged by floods last year?
2. What, if any, was the cost of this work?
3. What was the total amount spent for road maintenance and repair in the Lardeau district since March 31st, 1946?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

- “1. Protection-work has been completed at Mile 12; work was commenced at Mile 10; all necessary work will be completed before high water this spring.
- “2. \$1,111.07.
- “3. \$5,955.84.”

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

1. What maintenance-work has been done on the Yellow Point Road in the Cowichan-Newcastle riding since March 31st, 1946?
2. Between what points on such road was such work done?
3. Of what did such work consist?
4. What sums of money were expended on this work?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

- “1. Grading, gravelling, brushing, widening, and installation of culverts.
- “2. Throughout its length.
- “3. Answered by No. 1.
- “4. \$2,883.46.”

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

What is the road-mileage broken down as to surface type in the following districts: Alberni, Atlin, Burnaby, Cariboo, Chilliwack, Columbia, Comox, Cowichan-Newcastle, Cranbrook, Delta, Dewdney, Esquimalt, Fernie, Fort George, Grand Forks-Greenwood, Kamloops, Kaslo-Slocan, Lillooet, Mackenzie, Nanaimo-Islands, Nelson-Creston, New Westminster, North Okanagan, North Vancouver, Omineca, Peace River, Prince Rupert, Revelstoke, Rossland-Trail, Saanich, Salmon Arm, Similkameen, Skeena, South Okanagan, Vancouver-Point Grey, and Yale?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

“This information is included in the Departmental report for the year 1945-46, a copy of which is attached hereto. Reference: Pages 54, 55, and 56.”

Mr. *Rowland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

Are plans in hand for the construction this year of a new bridge across the Nechako River one-half mile north of the village of Vanderhoof?

The Hon. Mr. *Carson* replied as follows:—

“Plans will be put in hand Monday, March 10th.”

*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 5.15 p.m.

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## Tuesday, March 11th, 1947.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. H. Kerley*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion “That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair” for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

Mr. Speaker made the following statement to the House:—

*Honourable Members*,—At the last Session the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition placed on the Order Paper a notice of motion for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the advisability of revising the Rules, Orders, and Forms of Procedure of the Legislative Assembly. The notice of motion was withdrawn on the understanding that I would, in the interval between Sessions, make a study of the subject-matter of the motion and report to the House.

I accordingly engaged the services of Major *W. H. Langley*, K.C., formerly Clerk of the House, and have now received from Major Langley a statement in which he says:—

“I may add that I have given this matter very careful consideration during the past few months and have been unable to come to any other conclusion than as verbally advised you; there is not, in my opinion, any good or useful reason for making any material change in such Standing Orders at the present time.”

Major Langley corresponded with Mr. *Arthur Beauchesne*, C.M.G., Clerk of the House of Commons, in this connection and, in addition, consulted the Standing Orders of other Parliaments and made a comprehensive study of the whole question. I also have given the matter serious consideration and do not see in what respect the Standing Orders could be greatly improved. They were revised in the year 1930 by a Special Committee composed of the Speaker and several members of the Legislature. They were adopted by the House following the report of that Committee. They are based upon the Standing Orders of the Canadian House of Commons and embody relevant provisions of the “British North America Act” and the British Columbia “Con-

stitution Act." Mr. Beauchesne advises Major Langley that the only change in the Standing Orders of the House of Commons since 1930 was a provision providing for the appointment of a Deputy Chairman of Committees.

I gather from remarks made by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, in the course of a speech delivered earlier this Session, that he feels the restrictions on private members are too great, especially in the matter of motions brought forward by a private member dealing with Government policy. There are numerous Speakers' decisions on the point which have been sustained on appeal to the House. The main reason for those decisions is that the Government, being charged with the responsibility of carrying out Government policy, ought not to have responsibilities thrust upon it which it is not prepared to assume. The responsibility for carrying out the policy suggested by the private member does not rest upon the private member, but upon the Government.

Since the House has, on appeal, frequently affirmed the rule against private members dictating the policy of the Government by way of motions, I feel that it is for the House to decide whether there should be any relaxation of the rule.

N. W. WHITTAKER, *Speaker*.

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

REPORT No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 11th, 1947.

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 respecting The London and Western Trusts Company Limited and The Canada Trust Company" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment, and that the sum of \$300, being one-half of the fees paid by the promoters, be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

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

REPORT No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 11th, 1947.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Roman Catholic Bishop of Kamloops and his Successors in Office a Corporation Sole" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment, and that the sum of \$300 be refunded to the promoters of the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

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

## REPORT No. 11.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 11th, 1947.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Morrissey, Fernie and Michel Railway Act, 1903'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

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

## REPORT No. 12.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 11th, 1947.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate The Anglican Synod of the Diocese of British Columbia, 1889'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments, and that the sum of \$300 be refunded to the promoters of the Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

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

## REPORT No. 13.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 11th, 1947.

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. 57) intituled "An Act respecting certain Water-lots in the Port of Vancouver" and recommends that the same be not further proceeded with, and that the sum of \$150, being one-half the fees paid by the promoters, be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 10th, 1947.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Gasoline Tax Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 10th, 1947.*

*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. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll Tax Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 7th, 1947.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the '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. Mr. *Pearson* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

C. A. BANKS,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Right of Employees to organize, and providing for Mediation, Conciliation, and Arbitration of Industrial Disputes," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*March 11th, 1947.*

*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. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Right of Employees to organize, and providing for Mediation, Conciliation, and Arbitration of Industrial Disputes," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* presented the Annual Report of the Railway Department for the Year ended December 31st, 1946.

Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

What check, if any, has the Game Department on visitors coming by aeroplane from the United States and (or) other parts of Canada with regard to licence fees and game-bags?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

"The Game Department is able to secure all information covering any entry of an aeroplane used for hunting or fishing purposes from Customs officials at port of entry. Game trophies cannot be exported from the Province without necessary export permit and payment of fees set out in the 'Game Act' or regulations passed pursuant thereto. If a resident of some other Province in Canada hunts in British Columbia and illegally exports game, action can be taken against such violator under the Canada 'Game Export Act.' United States fish and wild-life agents in the United States always closely check game shipments, and if some are not in order, the British Columbia Game Department is promptly advised and proper action taken."

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

1. In how many instances last year was an aeroplane used to convey an injured workman to hospital?

2. In how many instances last year was the cost of conveyance by aeroplane of an injured workman defrayed by the Workmen's Compensation Board?

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

"1. Under the first-aid service requirements, employers must in the first instances provide an injured workman 'proper care and attention and shall have available at all times suitable speedy transportation by land, air, or water, with competent attendant, to the nearest doctor or hospital, or both, where the treatment appropriate to the case is available.' The responsibility is placed directly on the employer to arrange for and provide such transportation. The Board keeps no record of transportation so provided.

"2. In three cases in 1946 it was found necessary for the Board to transport injured workmen by aeroplane after the employer had in the first instance conveyed them to places where the treatment eventually proved inappropriate for the disability which developed. In an undetermined number of other cases, apart from initial transportation as required and provided by the employer, workmen purchased transportation by aeroplane and were subsequently reimbursed by the Board for such transportation."

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

1. What percentage of the liquor seized under section 81 of the "Government Liquor Act" was found suitable for sale in Government liquor stores during the last fiscal year?

2. What was the market value of same?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

"1. 1.74 per cent.

"2. \$292.43 gross; \$225.81 net."

*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 5.29 p.m.

Wednesday, March 12th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. MacKay*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,284,908.02 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1948.



26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1948.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 11th, 1947.*

*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. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Aid Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Mr. *Cates* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Are visiting Federal Trade Commissioners making effective and useful contacts with industry in this Province?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

"Yes; through the office of our own Trade Commissioner and in co-operation with the Boards of Trade and Canadian Manufacturers' Association, but the Department of Trade and Industry is continually urging on Ottawa the importance of extending these contacts in transportation, shipping, and other circles, and the necessity of effective follow-up services resulting from the contacts made on these tours."

Mr. *McDonell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Are British Columbia manufacturers given opportunity to quote on requirements for foreign governments through their buying missions?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

"Yes; the Canadian Commercial Corporation makes procurement surveys in this Province direct and in co-operation with the Department of Trade and Industry. The Trade Commissioner's office is in direct touch with the heads of all foreign buying missions in Ottawa."

Mr. *King* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Have any steps been taken to ensure that industry in the Province is adequately informed on the facilities offered by the reorganized Foreign Trade Service at Ottawa?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

“Yes; there is a direct line of reference and an established plan of co-operation between the Department of Trade and Industry through the Trade Commissioner’s Office and all divisions of the Foreign Trade Service at Ottawa.”

Mr. *Mowat* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Has the British Columbia Research Council established any machinery for practical application of research results to industrial development?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

“Yes; through the advisory committee, with representatives from all phases of primary and secondary industry, power companies, transportation companies, banks, etc. The Provincial Trade Commissioner is chairman of the committee.”

Mr. *Morrow* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Has the Industrial Development Bank reached out to industry in this Province in co-operation with our Department of Trade and Industry?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

“Yes; they have a regional representative in Vancouver who is a member of our Trade Commissioner’s Central Industries Committee. The Department of Trade and Industry has also assisted him in survey and contacts for outlying parts of the Province.”

Mr. *Mowat* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Has any move been made to provide manufacturers with local facilities for approval tests on safety devices or electrical features in new equipment?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

“Yes; an arrangement along these lines is now being worked out with the Canadian Standards Association and the British Columbia Research Council.”

*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 5.22 p.m.

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Thursday, March 13th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. D. L. Gordon.

Order called for “Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members.”

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On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Annual Holidays Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Order called for "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

On the motion of Mr. *Turner*, seconded by Mr. *Gargrave*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Return be tabled of all correspondence, communications, and other papers in the possession of the Minister of Labour and the Department of Labour relating to the current dispute between Vancouver Local, No. 226, of the International Typographical Union and the Southam Company, Limited.

Mr. *Gargrave* moved, seconded by Mr. *Turner*,—

That briefs presented to the Cabinet by recognized labour organizations be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Labour, and that the Committee be authorized to hear any further representations on matters contained therein and report its findings to this House.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—16.

Messieurs

<i>Smith</i>	<i>Corsbie</i>	<i>McInnis</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>
<i>Johnson, W. J.</i>	<i>Rowland</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	<i>Bennett</i>
<i>Brett</i>	<i>Guthrie</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Gillis</i>
<i>Turner</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>	<i>Rolston, Mrs.</i>

NAYS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Stevenson</i>	<i>Straith</i>	<i>Hart</i>	<i>Hope</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Johnson, B. I.</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Hodges, Mrs.</i>	<i>Pearson</i>	<i>Eyres</i>
<i>Welch</i>	<i>Carson, R. H.</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Carson, E. C.</i>
<i>McDonell</i>	<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Cates</i>	<i>MacDonald</i>
<i>Green</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>	<i>Beard</i>	<i>Weir</i>
<i>Mowat</i>			

Mr. *H. E. Winch* moved, seconded by Mr. *E. E. Winch*,—

That the statement read to the House by Mr. Speaker on Tuesday last relative to Standing Orders be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills for their consideration, and that said Committee report its findings and recommendations to the House.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Straith*, adjourned to 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.)

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1948.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,235 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,670 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,890 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1948.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,645 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1948.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,496 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1948.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,430 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, to 31st March, 1948.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,670 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1948.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$276,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1948.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$104,935 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1948.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$204,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$978,370 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1948.

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

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*March 11th, 1947.*

*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. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

1. What was the total log-scale for the Peace River Electoral District, being part of the Fort George forestry district, for 1946?

2. What was the total revenue accruing to the Government from this district in 1946 from (a) royalties, (b) stumpage, and (c) the total revenue from all forest products produced in this district for that year?

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* replied as follows:—

"1. Approximately 21,000,000 F.B.M.

"2. No segregation."

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

1. On how many (a) cougars, (b) wolves, and (c) coyotes did the Province pay a bounty in 1945?

2. On how many (a) cougars, (b) wolves, and (c) coyotes did the Province pay a bounty in 1946?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

"1. Cougars, 472; wolves, 1,202; coyotes, 5,506.

"2. Cougars, 460; wolves, 931; coyotes, 2,692."

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

1. Are individuals and companies operating public utilities which come within the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission assessed to pay for the operations of the said Commission?

2. Are milk producers and distributors assessed to pay for the operation of the Milk Board as established under the "Public Utilities Act Amendment Act, 1946"?

3. What regulations have been made or assessments imposed pursuant to the powers set forth in section 48B of the "Public Utilities Act," as enacted by the said "Public Utilities Act Amendment Act, 1946"?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

"1. While no assessment is paid for the operations of the Commission, certain charges are made by the Public Utilities Commission under the authority of the 'Public Utilities Act,' such as fees in connection with approval of security issues, granting of certificates of public convenience and necessity, etc. These fees are charged pursuant to the regulations made under section 127 of the Act. The Commission also is authorized to order that the cost of an appraisal may be borne by the company whose property is being appraised. In addition, the Commission is empowered to fix the cost of various proceedings and to order by whom they shall be paid.

"2 and 3. Order No. 6 issued by the Milk Board on November 20th, 1946, and approved by Order in Council No. 2791 on November 22nd, 1946, states the licence fees permitted for the various classes of distributors."

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

1. What was the total log export from British Columbia during the year 1945?
2. What was the total log export from British Columbia during the year 1946?
3. What portion of the 1946 export was allowed under section 21 of the 1946 Statutes?

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. 82,076,396 F.B.M.
- “ 2. 86,535,200 F.B.M.
- “ 3. 4,526,485 F.B.M.”

*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 5.46 p.m.

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## Friday, March 14th, 1947.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Hood*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$289,480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1948.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$417,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,860 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Crown Prosecutor's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1948.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1948.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1948.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds (bounties, salaries, and expenses), to 31st March, 1948.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1948.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Probation Office, to 31st March, 1948.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, New Haven—Salaries and expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Revision of Statutes, Legislative Counsel, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies (not otherwise provided for), to 31st March, 1948.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, In Aid of Removal of Discriminatory Freight and Express Rates, to 31st March, 1948.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1948.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,135 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1948.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$122,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-books, Maps, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$127,088 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Schools, to 31st March, 1948.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$44,930 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1948.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Visual Education, to 31st March, 1948.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$171,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1948.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,942 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal Schools, to 31st March, 1948.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$81,985 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind, to 31st March, 1948.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,510,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Basic and Supplementary Grants (Teachers and Pupils), to 31st March, 1948.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$335,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveyances (Special Services), to 31st March, 1948.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Essential New Equipment, to 31st March, 1948.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$640,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Superannuation Fund, 7% ("Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act," Chapter 7, 1940; revised 1946), to 31st March, 1948.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Special Aid to School Districts, to 31st March, 1948.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children and Expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, High School and Senior Matriculation Examinations, to 31st March, 1948.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,940 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools and Teacher-training for Special Certificates, to 31st March, 1948.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Board of Reference—Remuneration, fees, and expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$395,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Adult Education, to 31st March, 1948.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Radio Broadcasts, to 31st March, 1948.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,030 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Educational Direction and Supervision, to 31st March, 1948.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Educational and Vocational Guidance, to 31st March, 1948.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$83,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Public Library Commission, to 31st March, 1948.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 42) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Chiropractic Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 43) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Infirmaries Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 44) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Tuberculosis Institutions Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 45) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Home Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 46) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Factories Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Putnam*)—Bill (No. 33) intituled “An Act to facilitate the Growing of Certified Seed-potatoes.”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Putnam*)—Bill (No. 38) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Apiaries Act.’”



On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Putnam*)—Bill (No. 37) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Milk Act.’”

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

C. A. BANKS,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Protection of Children Act,’” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 14th, 1947.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 47) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Protection of Children 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.57 p.m.

**Monday, March 17th, 1947.**

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father *Blanchfield*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

77. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$12,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Archives, to 31st March, 1948.

75. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$39,930 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Library, to 31st March, 1948.

78. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$17,910 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1948.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1948.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Special Grant to Victoria College, to 31st March, 1948.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1948.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st, March, 1948.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,890 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Branch, to 31st, March, 1948.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,340 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, Entomology, and Apiary Inspection, to 31st March, 1948.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$142,770 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crops and Seed Improvement Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1948.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, to 31st March, 1948.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,620 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$137,980 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development and Extension, to 31st March, 1948.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. What volume of timber was utilized in the major forest industries of the Alberni region during the year 1946?

2. What was the value?

3. How many men were employed in (a) woods operations and (b) in manufacturing plants?

The Hon. Mr. *Kenney* replied as follows:—

"1. Approximately 225,000,000 board-feet log-scale.

"2. Approximately \$6,525,000.

"3. (a) 1,062 and (b) 1,098."

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

1. What were the total purchases of beer for the calendar year 1933 by the Liquor Control Board from: (a) Westminster Breweries, Ltd., New Westminster; (b) Vancouver Breweries, Ltd., Vancouver; (c) Canada Malt and Brewing Co., Ltd., Vancouver; (d) Victoria Phoenix Brewery (1920) Co., Ltd., Victoria; and (e) Silver Spring Brewery, Ltd., Victoria?

2. What was the actual production of the breweries mentioned in No. 1, according to official excise production records for the year 1933?

3. What were the total purchases of beer for the calendar year 1935 by the Liquor Control Board from (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), as shown in No. 1, and (f) Capilano Brewing Co., Ltd.?

4. What was the actual production of the breweries mentioned in No. 3, according to the official excise production records for the calendar year 1935?

5. What were the total purchases of beer for the calendar year 1946 by the Liquor Control Board from (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), as shown in No. 1, and (f) Capilano Brewing Co., Ltd.?

6. What were the purchases by the Liquor Control Board of Burton type ale from the Coast Breweries, Ltd.—namely, Westminster Breweries, Ltd.; Victoria Phoenix Brewery (1920) Co., Ltd.; and Silver Spring Brewery, Ltd.—for the calendar years 1933, 1943, and 1946?

7. What were purchases of malt beverages from outside the Province for the year 1939 and for the year 1946?

8. What was quantity of purchases of Liquor Control Board from Growers Wine Co., Ltd., in 1939 and in 1946?

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* replied as follows:—

“1, 3, 5, and 6. The product of the firms mentioned is purchased from Pacific Brewers Agents, Limited.

“2 and 4. No record of total production, which included export business.

“7. 1939, 28,580 gallons; 1946, 272,070 gallons.

“8. 1939, 86,859 gallons; 1946, 84,436 gallons.”

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

1. In view of the greatly increased industrial activity at Port Alberni are steps being taken by the Forest Service to make a complete inventory of the timber resources for the region?

2. If so, what is being done?

3. Is the information available to the general public?

The Hon. Mr. *Kennedy* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. In 1941 a survey was made of the forest resources of the south-west portion of Vancouver Island, south of the Alberni Canal. A total of 676,170 acres was covered and forest-cover maps were made. Due to a serious shortage of suitable personnel during the war all surveys were suspended. Activities were resumed in 1945 and a party worked in the region north from the Alberni Canal. This party continued in 1946 and for the two years a total of 1,213,010 acres has been surveyed. Maps and timber summaries are now in the process of compilation and will be available this year.

“3. Yes.”

Mr. *Brown* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:—

Has any sea-weed been collected and manufactured in British Columbia on a commercial scale during the past year?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

“None on a commercial scale—sampling only.”

Mr. *Mowat* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following questions:—

1. Were any herring dry-saltries operated in 1946?
2. If so, how many?

The Hon. Mr. *Eyres* replied as follows:—

- “1. Yes.
- “2. Ten.”

*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 6.03 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18th, 1947.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. R. Ashford*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Milk Board, to 31st March, 1948.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Automobiles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1948.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations and Fairs—Buildings, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Interior Provincial Exhibition Association—Grant, to 31st March, 1948.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Chilliwack Agricultural Association—Grant, to 31st March, 1948.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, In Aid of Kamloops Bull Sale—Grant, to 31st March, 1948.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1948.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Subsidies on Agricultural Lime, to 31st March, 1948.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rodent and Pest Extermination, to 31st March, 1948.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1948.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dominion-Provincial Emergency Farm Labour Service, to 31st March, 1948.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1948.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1948.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Probate and Succession Duties Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$224,950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, to 31st March, 1948.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$105,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office and B.C. House, London, England, to 31st March, 1948.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$684,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$80,640 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1948.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Revenue Receipts, Bonds, Cheques, Estimates, etc., to 31st March, 1948.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Suitors' Fund Deposits, to 31st March, 1948.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Delinquent Extra-municipal School Taxes, to 31st March, 1948.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1948.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,960 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1948.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$554,051 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, General Services, to 31st March, 1948.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$104,240 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Laboratories, to 31st March, 1948.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$98,690 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Vital Statistics, to 31st March, 1948.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$158,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Venereal Disease Control, to 31st March, 1948.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grant from the Crown in Aid of Organization under the "Health Insurance Act," to 31st March, 1948.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,252,638 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, to 31st March, 1948.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$284,230 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Provincial Infirmaries, to 31st March, 1948.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Office of the Deputy Minister, to 31st March, 1948.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$509,810 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1948.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1948.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,544,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1948.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, "Residence and Responsibility Act"—Administration, to 31st March, 1948.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Welfare Visitor for the Deaf—Salaries and expenses, to 31st March, 1948.

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

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

#### REPORT No. 14.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 18th, 1947.

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 to incorporate the National Fidelity Insurance Company." Your Committee considers that the Bill is not in the public interest and recommends that the same be not further proceeded with; and your Committee begs to report that the four weeks' period provided for in Rule 97 has expired, and recommends that the said Rule 97 be suspended.

WM. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

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

REPORT No. 15.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 18th, 1947.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments; and your Committee begs to report that the four weeks' period provided for in Rule 97 has expired, and recommends that the said Rule 97 be suspended.

WM. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

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

REPORT No. 16.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 18th, 1947.

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 to incorporate the C. U. & C. Insurance Company" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments; and your Committee begs to report that the four weeks' period provided for in Rule 97 has expired, and recommends that the said Rule 97 be suspended.

WM. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18th, 1947.

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.)

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$528,410 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Child Welfare Division, to 31st March, 1948.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$57,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1948.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$131,251 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial Schools, to 31st March, 1948.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Old-age Pensioners' Cost-of-living Bonus, to 31st March, 1948.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,530 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1948.

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

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

1. Has any individual or group a franchise to supply electrical energy for the village of Masset, Queen Charlotte Islands?
2. If so, how long has this franchise to run?
3. Has the British Columbia Power Commission made a survey in that area?
4. Does it contemplate taking over any existing equipment that might be available there?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. A permit of indefinite duration was granted to Clarence Martin, of Masset, to generate up to 25 horse-power.
- “ 3. No; this district is on the Commission's programme for survey.
- “ 4. Depends upon the facts which may be disclosed by the survey.”

*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 11.10 p.m.