

Monday, March 23, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The attention of the Chair having been drawn to the clock the Chairman left the Chair without question put.

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

The Chairman further reported that, on the motion that the Chairman leave the Chair, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *King*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—26

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

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<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman further reported that, on the motion the Committee rise and report progress, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. King, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

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<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

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<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

On the motion that the House at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, a debate arose.

Mr. *Howard* moved an amendment: "That the motion be amended by deleting '10 o'clock a.m.' and substituting therefore '2 o'clock p.m.' "

The House divided.

Amendment negatived on the following division:

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<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

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<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *J. A. Nielsen* tabled the 105th Report of the Vital Statistics Branch for the year 1976.

The Hon. *A. V. Fraser* tabled the Annual Report of the B.C. Steamships Co. (1975) Ltd., Consolidated Financial Statement, for the year ending December 31, 1980.

And then the House adjourned at 6.30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24, 1981

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

The Chairman further reported that during the debate on Vote 98 an agreement between Pacific Logging Company Limited and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia, represented by the Minister of Lands, Parks and Housing and the Minister of Forests was referred to and the Committee asked leave that the agreement be tabled in the House.

Leave granted.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.32 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon *Donald R. Chassels*.

By leave, Mr. *Ree* presented the petition of the Montreal Trust Company and Montreal Trust Company of Canada for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Montreal Trust Company and Montreal Trust Company of Canada*.

On the motion of Mr. *Ree*, the Rules were suspended and the petition of the Montreal Trust Company and Montreal Trust Company of Canada was received.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$160,231 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1982.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,167,894 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Provincial Forest and Range Resource Management, to 31st March 1982.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,626,030 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Regional Forest and Range Resource Management, to 31st March 1982.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,710,846 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, District Forest and Range Resource Management, to 31st March 1982.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Reservoirs, to 31st March 1982.

The attention of the Chair having been drawn to the clock the Chairman left the Chair without question put.

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

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 98 be reduced by \$12,533, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. King, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—26

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
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<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>			<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 99 be reduced by \$1,976,342, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. King, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—26

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

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<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>			<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 100 be reduced by \$386,871, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *King*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—24

<i>Passarell</i>		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
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<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that the Committee rise and report progress the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Cocke*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—23

	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

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<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Hon. *P. S. Hyndman* (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) tabled the 59th Annual Report of the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch, April 1, 1979 to March 31, 1980, and the 59th Annual Report of the Liquor Distribution Branch, April 1, 1979 to March 31, 1980.

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* (Minister of Agriculture and Food) tabled the Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 1980, of The Milk Board.

And then the House adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

Wednesday, March 25, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *K. M. Collison*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Speaker made a statement relating to the Rules to be observed in Oral Question Period.

Mr. *Cocke* rose on a point of order relating to content of answers given during Oral Question Period.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again this day, and further reported that a matter of privilege had been raised in the Committee on March 24th last.

Mr. Speaker stated that he would consider the matter reported and declared a recess for that purpose.

In the House, Mr. Speaker delivered a ruling as follows:

Honourable Members:

An examination of the Hansard debates for Tuesday, March 24, 1981, including the authorities quoted by the Leader of the Opposition, reveals detail of the matter the Committee has asked the Chair to consider and rule upon. The motion reads as follows:

"That this House express the view that the Minister of Forests must resign his portfolio as a result of his admission that he has been responsible for knowingly presenting to this House Estimates of Expenditure which are, by the Minister's own admission, not true estimates."

The Honourable Members will be aware that it is the Speaker's duty, upon a matter of privilege being raised, to decide whether the matter has been raised at the earliest opportunity, and secondly, does the matter, on the face of it, appear to be a *prima facie* case of privilege.

On the question as to whether or not the matter has been raised at the earliest opportunity, one must consider the gist of the complaint in the context of the proceedings in the House and in the Committee.

As I understand the complaint, it relates to an honourable member knowingly presenting to this House Estimates of Expenditure which are not true estimates. I have examined the Estimates presently before the Committee of Supply, being the Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1982, and in particular have directed my attention to the estimates of the Ministry of Forests. It is noted that the Summary of Estimates contained a total for expenditure followed by an entry described in the following words: "Less efficiencies achieved to control government growth."

I should also note at this time that the Estimates for the Ministry of Forests for the year ending March 31, 1980, refer to "recruitment savings", and the same words appear for 1981 without objection.

A perusal of the Hansard reports of Monday, March 9, 1981, reveal that the Minister of Finance, in delivering the Budget Speech, at page 34, refers to the request to each ministry "having been asked to reduce the growth of government spending to achieve total savings of \$61,000,000."

The Minister further states within the same speech, "With these expenditure restraint measures in place it has been possible to keep operating expenditure in 1981-82 down to \$6.61 billion."

While it would appear that such a detailed examination goes into the merit of the question of privilege, rather than the *prima facie* aspect of privilege, it must be pointed out here that the very heart of the complaint is founded upon a presentation of false documents *with intent to deceive the House, or Committees thereof*.

Dealing with the question as to whether or not the matter was raised at the earliest opportunity, I would observe that the Estimates disclosing the reduction in the Votes were tabled on March 9, 1981.

It appears to the Chair that the remarks of the Minister of Forests in the Committee of Supply yesterday did no more than confirm the earlier statements made by the Minister of Finance during his budget address on March 9th last, with respect to the budgetary process, which statements are also reflected in the content of the Estimates themselves, as referred to the Committee of Supply, also on the 9th day of March last.

Any further examination of the detail of this matter must, of necessity, get into the merit of the case, but bearing in mind the Chair's limited terms of reference at this stage of the proceeding, I am unable to find, in this instance, a *prima facie* breach of privilege. The Member may consider that he has a grievance but all members will be aware that the precedents on the law of privilege are numerous and restrictive, and the material being disclosed here does not pass the rigid tests as I conceive them to be, and I so rule.

H. W. SCHROEDER, *Speaker*

The Speaker's ruling was challenged.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:

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<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

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<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,418,971 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Fire Suppression Program, to 31st March 1982.

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

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 103 be reduced by \$58,303, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *King*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

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<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>

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<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

The Hon. *J. H. Heinrich* (Minister of Labour) tabled the 64th Annual Report of the Workers' Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 1980.

And then the House adjourned at 6.03 p.m.

Thursday, March 26, 1981

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,392,117 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1982.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,160,063 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1982.

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

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 104 be reduced by \$7,236,117, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *T. M. Waterland*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

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<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
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	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
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	<i>Leggatt</i>		

NAYS—28

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 105 be reduced by \$3,246,266, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. King, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—20

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>		<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>		<i>Howard</i>
	<i>Sanford</i>		<i>Barrett</i>
	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
	<i>Leggatt</i>		

NAYS—28

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.18 p.m.

Thursday, March 26, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *William Dobson*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *B. R. D. Smith* (Minister of Education) made a statement relating to the Provincial Student Aid Program.

Mr. *Lauk* made a statement on the same matter.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

3 Ms. *Brown* asked the Hon. the Minister of Human Resources the following questions:

With reference to Pharmacare—

1. How many persons have received payments under Pharmacare since its inception in 1977?
2. What is the total paid to patients to date?
3. What is the total paid to pharmacists for prescription fees to date?
4. What is the total cost of drugs prescribed and supplied by pharmacists to date?

The Hon. *G. M. McCarthy* replied as follows:

"1. Since the inception of universal Pharmacare benefits on June 1, 1977 through February 27, 1981, 175,979 individual claims were accepted for processing.

"2. From June 1, 1977 through February 27, 1981, the total paid directly to patients was \$15,441,426.

"3. From April 1, 1977 through February 27, 1981, \$60,822,146 was paid directly to pharmacists for dispensing fees.

"4. From April 1, 1977 through February 27, 1981, \$77,420,493 was paid directly to pharmacists for drugs prescribed and supplied."

And then the House adjourned at 5.43 p.m.

Friday, March 27, 1981

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Father *Bernard P. Hanley*.

Mr. *Barnes* asked leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance relating to the business premises of Sweeney Cooperage Ltd.

Mr. Speaker stated that in his opinion the requirement of urgency of debate was not fulfilled as the House would shortly be debating the Estimates of the appropriate ministry and also that such a motion is denied when facts are in dispute.

Mr. Speaker ruled that his opinion on an application under Standing Order 35 was not subject to appeal.

The ruling of the Speaker was challenged.

The ruling of the Speaker was sustained on the following division:

YEAS—28

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

NAYS—20

		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$147,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1982.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,154,371 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Ministry Administration, to 31st March 1982.

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$323,865.928 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Universities, to 31st March 1982.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$286,335 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Metric Conversion, to 31st March 1982.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,260,524 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Science and Technology, to 31st March 1982.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,938,029 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Telecommunications Services Branch, to 31st March 1982.

212. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,315,883 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Communications System Development and Regulation Branch, to 31st March 1982.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$391,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1982.

214. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$122,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1982.

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

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 206 be reduced by \$9,282, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Lauk*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—18

<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—27

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 207 be reduced by \$66,150, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Lauk*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—27

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 211 be reduced by \$65,720, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Lauk*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—18

		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>		<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—28

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 212 be reduced by \$11,730, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Lauk*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—28

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 213 be reduced by \$234,000, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Lauk*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—28

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

The Chairman reported that on the motion that Vote 214 be reduced by \$72,200, the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Lauk*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

<i>Mitchell</i>		<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—26

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>		<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		<i>Waterland</i>

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. on Monday next.

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* (Minister of Finance) made a statement relating to a fire which occurred in the Legislative Building and consequential damage to some journal vouchers relating to the 1979–80 fiscal year.

Mr. *King* made a statement relating to the same matter.

And then the House adjourned at 1.05 p. m.

Monday, March 30, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. Emery*.

The Hon. *G. B. Gardom* (Minister of Intergovernmental Relations) made a statement relating to the attempted assassination today of the President of the United States.

Mr. *Barrett* made a statement relating to the same matter.

Mr. Speaker stated that an expression of profound regret would be forwarded, on behalf of the Legislative Assembly and the People of the Province of British Columbia, to the family of President Reagan and to the Government of the United States.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave of the House, Ms. *Brown* presented the petition of Ruth Lea Taylor, Annabelle E. Cameron, V. Quan, and others, praying that the House support the Vancouver Island Haven Society request for funding for a transition house in Nanaimo.

Mr. *Mussallem* asked leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

14 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. For each of the special funds, what was the total of cash and temporary investments at March 31, 1980?
2. For each amount listed in reply to No. 1, what were the specific investments and what rate on interest was payable on the investment?

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the Table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

15 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. What was the total of cash and temporary investments held by the General Fund at March 31, 1980?

2. What specific investments comprised the total in No. 1, and for each, what was the rate of interest payable to the General Fund?

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the Table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Tuesday, March 31, 1981

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Hon. *J. A. Nielsen* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 16) intituled *Medical Service Plan Act, 1981* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 27, 1981.

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Report of the Auditor General for the year ended March 31, 1980.

And then the House adjourned at 12.12 p.m.

Tuesday, March 31, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Bert Forsythe*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

The Hon. *D. M. Phillips* (Minister of Industry and Small Business Development) tabled the Annual Report of the British Columbia Cellulose Company for the year ended December 31, 1980.

The Hon. *B. R. D. Smith* (Minister of Education) tabled the 1979-1980 Report on Education.

11 Mrs. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Food, responsible for ICBC, the following questions:

1. During the period December 1979 to December 1980, what has been the total expenditure of ICBC to reimburse drivers on the Lake Cowichan Road for damage to glass?

2. During the period December 1979 to December 1980, what has been the total expenditure of ICBC to reimburse drivers on the Lake Cowichan Road for damage to paint?

3. How much did drivers have to pay as the deductible portion of this paint damage?

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* replied as follows:

"1. \$255,029.

"2. \$4,000.

"3. \$900."

22 Mrs. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Food the following questions:

1. (a) How many job vacancies for temporary, permanent or contract employees were available in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food at the time of the hiring freeze in 1980, and (b) what was the job title, salary range and location for each position listed in reply to (a)?

2. (a) How many job vacancies for temporary, permanent or contract employees were available in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food at the time the freeze was lifted, and (b) what was the job title, salary range and location for each position listed in reply to (a)?

3. (a) How many job vacancies for temporary, permanent or contract employees were there in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food to the latest date available, and (b) what was the job title, salary range and location for each position listed in reply to (a)?

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* replied as follows:

"1. (a) At the time of the hiring freeze the Ministry had 38 vacant positions in total.

"(b)	Job Title	Monthly Salary Range	Location
		\$	
2	Personnel Officers	1,713-2,398	Victoria
3	Office Assistant 2	1,108-1,283	Victoria
1	Office Assistant 1	1,018-1,190	Victoria
1	Clerk Stenographer 3	1,230-1,347	Cloverdale
1	Agriculturist 2	1,980-2,305	Duncan
1	Clerk Stenographer 4	1,283-1,416	Summerland
1	Clerk Stenographer 3	1,230-1,347	Penticton
1	Office Assistant 2	1,108-1,283	Williams Lake
1	Director, Farmland Resources	2,458-3,452	Victoria
2	Agriculturist 2	1,980-2,305	Victoria
1	Agricultural Officer 5	1,905-2,093	Abbotsford
1	Agricultural Officer 3	1,689-1,841	Abbotsford
1	Agricultural Officer 3	1,689-1,841	Chilliwack
1	Engineer 3	2,391-2,709	Abbotsford
1	Engineer 2	1,980-2,305	Abbotsford
1	Agriculturist 2	1,980-2,305	Vernon
1	Agricultural Officer 3	1,689-1,841	Cloverdale
1	Laboratory Technician 2	1,527-1,644	Abbotsford
1	Office Assistant 2	1,108-1,283	Abbotsford
1	Home Economist 1	1,604-1,837	Prince George
1	Agriculturist 1	1,465-1,980	Dawson Creek
1	Executive Secretary	1,261-1,605	Victoria
1	Research Officer 3	2,172-2,471	Victoria
1	Farm Worker 3	1,523 single rate	Essondale
1	Farm Worker 2	1,472 single rate	Essondale
1	Farm Worker 1	1,419 single rate	Essondale
1	Clerk 3	1,230-1,347	Vancouver
1	Clerk 6	1,610-1,797	Burnaby
3	Research Officer 2	1,820-2,077	Victoria
1	Research Officer 3	2,172-2,471	Victoria
2	Agriculturist 2	1,980-2,305	Victoria

"2. (a) and (b) same as above.

"It should be noted that the vacancy levels at the time the freeze was lifted are similar, as Treasury Board agreed to lift the freeze for the Ministry very quickly. In fact, verbal approval was received approximately one week after the imposition of the freeze.

"3. (a) At the present time, the Ministry has 38 vacant positions.

“(b)	Job Title	Monthly Salary Range	Location
		\$	
	1 Personnel Officer	1,710–2,393	Victoria
	1 Clerk 3	1,230–1,347	Victoria
	1 District Horticulturist	2,063–2,397	Duncan
	1 Clerk Stenographer 4	1,283–1,416	Cloverdale
	1 District Agriculturist	2,063–2,397	Abbotsford
	1 Dairy Co-ordinator	2,486–2,805	Abbotsford
	1 Livestock Co-ordinator	2,486–2,805	Kamloops
	1 Field Crops Co-ordinator	2,486–2,805	Dawson Creek
	1 Urban Horticulturist	2,486–2,805	Cloverdale
	1 Agricultural Officer 3	1,689–1,841	Kelowna
	1 District Horticulturist	2,682–3,014	Summerland
	1 Sheep Specialist	2,486–2,805	Abbotsford
	1 Clerk Stenographer 3	1,230–1,347	Victoria
	1 Farm Worker 2	1,472 single rate	Abbotsford
	1 Farm Worker 3	1,523 single rate	Abbotsford
	1 Laboratory Assistant 2	1,329–1,423	Burnaby
	1 Field Agrologist Engineer	2,063–2,397	Dawson Creek
	1 Waste Management Engineer	2,063–2,397	Abbotsford
	1 Director, Ent./Pl. Path.	2,592–3,629	Victoria
	1 Laboratory Technician 2	1,527–1,644	Victoria
	1 Laboratory Supervisor	2,682–3,014	Kelowna
	1 Laboratory Technician 2	1,527–1,644	Abbotsford
	1 Laboratory Scientist 3	2,172–2,471	Abbotsford
	1 Agricultural Officer 4	1,781–1,965	Prince George
	1 Home Economist 2	1,781–2,079	Vernon
	1 Clerk Stenographer 3	1,230–1,347	Victoria
	1 Administrative Officer 2	1,861–2,181	Victoria
	1 Co-ordinator, Farm Finance	2,737–3,832	Victoria
	1 Farm Worker 2	1,472 single rate	Essondale
	2 Farm Worker 1	1,419 single rate	Essondale
	1 Farm Worker 2	1,472 single rate	Tranquille Farm
	2 Farm Worker 2	1,419 single rate	Tranquille Farm
	1 Potato Specialist	2,063–2,397	To be determined
	1 Laboratory Technician 2	1,527–1,644	Kelowna
	1 Office Assistant 2	1,108–1,283	Dawson Creek
	1 Office Assistant 2	1,108–1,283	Victoria.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1, 1981

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Canon *W. Greenhalgh*.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Mr. *Macdonald* rose on a point of order, namely, that all ministers of the Crown should be in the House during Question Period.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the Chair does not have the authority on its own initiative to summons a member to the House.

Mr. *Lauk* rose on a point of order claiming that during Oral Question Period Standing Order 8, which reads as follows "Every member is bound to attend the service of the House, unless leave of absence has been given him by the House" should be invoked.

Mr. Speaker ruled that Standing Order 8 has been interpreted to mean that members who are in the precincts of the House are considered to be in attendance of the House.

Mr. *Barrett* rose on a point of order, namely, that upon points of order being raised after the commencement of the Oral Question Period, the period of time devoted to the hearing and determination of such points of order ought not to be taken from the period allotted for oral questions.

Mr. Speaker stated he would reserve his decision on the matter.

Mr. *Lauk* rose on a point of order, namely, that it is not in the discretion of the Chair to determine whether or not there is a point of order, and quoted Standing Order 9, reading as follows "Mr. Speaker shall preserve order and decorum, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House without debate. In explaining a point of order or practice, he shall state the Standing Order or authority applicable to the case."

Mr. Speaker stated that he would take the matter raised under advisement.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Medical Service Plan Act, 1981*, a debate arose.

During debate the Hon. *J. A. Nielsen* (Minister of Health) tabled a document, namely, copy correspondence *re* British Columbia Medical Association.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS—51

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>
	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>
	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Smith</i>
	<i>Lea</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Skelly</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Sanford</i>		<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Levi</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	

Bill (No. 16) was read a second time.

By leave, Bill *Ordered* committed forthwith.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

The Hon. *D. M. Phillips* (Minister of Industry and Small Business Development) tabled the British Columbia Railway 1980 Annual Report.

The Hon. *P. S. Hyndman* (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) tabled the Annual Report, 1980, Ministry of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Thursday, April 2, 1981

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 16) intituled *Medical Service Plan Act, 1981* was committed.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again later today.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.23 p.m.

Thursday, April 2, 1981

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *M. D. Anderson*.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Hanson* presented the petition of Arlene Snare, Lillian Grandage, Phyllis Chambers and others, praying that the House act to retain the British Columbia headquarters of the RCMP in Victoria.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Passarell* presented the petition of Chief James Gosnell, Chief Matthew Bright, Rodney Davies and others, praying that a public inquiry under the *Public Inquiries Act* be held before commencement of operation of the Amax molybdenum mine at Kitsault, British Columbia.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

On the motion of the Hon. *H. A. Curtis* it was *Resolved*—

That from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund there may be paid and applied in such manner and at such times as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may determine a sum not exceeding in the whole one billion one hundred and eighty-four million dollars towards defraying the several charges and expenses of the Public Service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1982, not otherwise provided for, and being substantially one-sixth of the total amount of the votes of the main estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1982, as laid before the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the present session.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *H. A. Curtis*, the report of Resolution from the Committee of Supply was taken as read and received, read a second time, and agreed to.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

On the motion of the Hon. *H. A. Curtis*, it was *Ordered*, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the House to go into Committee of Ways and Means."

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS)

On the motion of the Hon. *H. A. Curtis*, it was *Resolved*—

That the report of Resolution from the Committee of Supply on the 2nd day of April 1981, be now taken as read and received.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.

Resolution considered forthwith and adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* presented Bill (No. 15) intituled *Supply Act, No. 1, 1981*.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

Resolution reported.

Report considered forthwith and adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *Supply Act, No. 1, 1981*, a debate arose.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS—53

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Brummet</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Lea</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
	<i>King</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Levi</i>		<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	

Bill read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *H. A. Curtis* the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Without the Committee rising, the Chairman reported to the House that his ruling that an amendment proposed to a clause in the Interim Supply Bill was out of order and had been challenged.

The Chairman's ruling was sustained on the following division:

YEAS—29

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

NAYS—22

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
		<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Leggatt</i>		

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 16) was committed.

The Committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

The Chairman reported further that on the motion that the Committee rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—21

<i>Passarell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>		<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Howard</i>
	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	
<i>Barnes</i>			

NAYS—27

<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>McGeer</i>			

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

Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the title to the following Bill:

(No. 15) *Supply Act, No. 1, 1981*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian M. Horne*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

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

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The committal of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Medical Service Plan Act* was resumed.

The attention of the Chair having been drawn to the clock the Chairman left the Chair without question put.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

19 Mr. *Lockstead* asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:

With respect to the B.C. Hydro Cheekeye–Dunsmuir Transmission Line—

1. What is the anticipated total cost of the line in 1981 dollars?
2. How much of this cost has been assigned to (a) background studies; (b) engineering works; and (c) construction expenditures?
3. How much has been spent as of March 9, 1981 (a) in total; (b) on background studies; (c) on engineering works; and (d) on construction expenditures?

The Hon. *R. H. McClelland* replied as follows:

“1. Total anticipated cost: Direct, \$646,956,000; overhead, \$76,343,000; interest, \$99,849,000; totalling, \$823,148,000. The above direct costs are inflated to the in-service date.

“2. Breakdown of the direct costs is: Background studies, \$4,780,000; engineering works, \$18,354,000; construction expenditures, \$623,822,000; totalling, \$646,956,000. The forecast overhead and interest figures are not prepared in a manner which would allow a split in the above segments.

“3. Costs as at February 28, 1981, are: Direct—background studies, \$4,086,000; engineering works, \$4,272,000; construction expenditures, \$57,532,000. Overhead, \$7,202,000; interest, \$4,405,000; totalling, \$77,497,000. The request asked for costs as at March 9, 1981, but Hydro’s monthly accounting cycle allows them to report costs only to February 28th.”

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Friday, April 3, 1981

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Father *Joseph Killoran*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House proceeded to “Public Bills and Orders.”

Bill (No. 16) intituled *Medical Service Plan Act, 1981* was committed.

The Committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

The Hon. *W. R. Bennett* (Premier) made a statement relating to a communication to the Prime Minister of Canada from Premier Lyon on behalf of eight provincial premiers and tabled the contents of the communication.

2 Ms. *Brown* asked the Hon. the Minister of Human Resources the following questions:

With reference to social assistance fraud—

1. Were any persons formally charged with defrauding the Government of social allowance payments in any of the fiscal years 1976–77, 1977–78, 1978–79, and 1979–80?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, in the case of each year (a) how many persons were charged; (b) how many, if any, were convicted; and (c) what was the total amount involved in cases where conviction was obtained?

3. With reference to “fraud investigators” in the Ministry, what are the names, salaries, previous occupations, and locations of the investigators?

4. What is the total number of administrative staff, excluding the investigators?

5. What is the total cost and number of months covered for the investigators and administration in 1976–77, 1977–78, 1978–79, and 1979–80?

The Hon. *G. M. McCarthy* replied as follows:

“1. Yes.

“2. (a) Number of persons charged, 1976–77, 154; 1977–78, 308; 1978–79, 235; 1979–80, 212. (b) Number of persons convicted, 1976–77, 89; 1977–78, 158; 1978–79, 133; 1979–80, 135. (c) Total amount, where conviction obtained, 1976–77, \$318,105.40; 1977–78, \$352,239.69; 1978–79, \$343,530.56; 1979–80, \$351,269. (d) Cases still before courts as of April 1, 1980, 176.

“3. As of April 1980 the names, salaries, previous occupations and locations of the investigators were as follows:

Name	Location	Salary (Monthly) \$	Previous Occupation
Roy L. Johnson (Co-ordinator).....	Victoria	2,707	Police Officer
Ken Katalay.....	Vernon	1,882	Police Staff Sergeant
M. Donovan.....	Vernon	1,882	Constable, Insurance Agent
J. Rutter.....	Vancouver (Reg. 2)	1,882	Constable, Social Worker
A. Lloyd.....	Vancouver (Reg. 2)	1,882	Financial Assistance Worker
M. Springall.....	Vancouver (Reg. 2)	1,825	Financial Assistance Worker
Myles McLeod.....	Cranbrook	1,882	Police Staff Sergeant
Keith McFayden.....	Nelson	1,825	Police Corporal
D. J. C. Talbot.....	Prince George	1,723	Police Constable
G. E. C. Danielson.....	Prince George	1,622	Police Staff Sergeant
Henry Hryciw.....	Abbotsford	1,882	Police Staff Sergeant
B. Eric Rowe.....	Abbotsford	1,882	Constable, Sheriff

Name	Location	Salary (Monthly) \$	Previous Occupation
Phil Welock	Terrace	1,882	Constable, Stager
Jim McDonald	Dawson Creek	1,622	Police Constable
Jack Willie	Kamloops	1,882	Financial Assistance Worker
Eldon Taylor	Duncan	1,882	Constable, Sheriff
Alex Hawrys	Victoria	1,882	Police Officer
George Whittaker	Victoria	1,622	Police Staff Sergeant
Larry Ivison	Delta	1,882	Police Constable
Frank Smyth	New Westminster	1,882	Training Officer
Ken Jensen	New Westminster	1,882	Police Corporal
Wayne Skelley	Vancouver (Reg. 14)	1,622	Police Corporal
Bruce Marsh	Vancouver (Reg. 15)	1,825	Police Constable
Wm. Summersgill	Vancouver (Reg. 16)	1,825	Military Investigator
Wally Welychka	Vancouver (Reg. 16)	1,825	Police Sergeant
Frank Waterfield	Vancouver (Reg. 17)	1,882	Constable, Sheriff
Marsh Lynch	Surrey	1,882	Municipal Employee
Ray Grijzen	Surrey	1,825	Constable
Robert Hayward	Vancouver (Pharmacare Invest.)	1,825	Pharmaceutical Salesman

"4. Administrative staff, excluding the investigators, *nil* (the investigators utilize steno pools for their office requirements, i.e., typing and filing, etc.).

"5. Total cost: 1976-77, \$176,652; 1977-78, \$601,208; 1978-79, \$618,100; 1979-80, \$653,243.75."

6 Ms. *Brown* asked the Hon. the Minister of Human Resources the following question:

With reference to child apprehension in British Columbia, what is the breakdown of the parents of children apprehended in 1978-79, 1979-80, and to date in 1980; single parents, parents on social assistance, breakdown by age, and percentage of cases involving native Indian parents?

The Hon. *G. M. McCarthy* replied as follows:

	1978-79 (excluding Vancouver)	1979-80	April 1980 to January 1981
"Parents on social assistance	439	803	659
Both parents Native Indian	19.3%	19.4%	18.3%
One parent Native Indian	15.2%	14.6%	12.5%

"Information on marital status and age of parents is not collected."

27 The Hon. *Jack Davis* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary and Minister of Government Services the following questions:

How many Orders in Council were passed in each of the fiscal years from 1970-71 to 1980-81, inclusive?

The Hon. *E. M. Wolfe* replied as follows:

"The number of Orders in Council passed in each of the fiscal years from 1970-71 to 1980-81, inclusive, is as follows: 1970-71, 4,596; 1971-72, 4,850; 1972-73, 4,334; 1973-74, 4,410; 1974-75, 4,186; 1975-76, 3,874; 1976-77, 3,904; 1977-78, 3,536; 1978-79, 3,487; 1979-80, 3,014; 1980-81, 2,968."

And then the House adjourned at 1.05 p.m.