

## Wednesday, March 24, 1965

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. N. S. Noel.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

243. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,896 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$114,792 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$176,964 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1966.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1966.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Winter Works Incentive Programme, to 31st March, 1966.

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,688 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,084 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,574 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Central Microfilm Bureau, to 31st March, 1966.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$555,696 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$123,232 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Library, to 31st March, 1966.

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$71,888 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Archives, to 31st March, 1966.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$217,058 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Public Library Commission, to 31st March, 1966.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$265,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Library and Library Association Grants, to 31st March, 1966.

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Queen's Printer, to 31st March, 1966.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1966.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

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Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

258. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,370 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Indian Advisory Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$435,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (the Crown)—*Workmen's Compensation Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1966.

261. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Medical Grants, to 31st March, 1966.

262. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$550,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1966.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$140,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grant *re* Narcotic Foundation, to 31st March, 1966.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$160,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grant *re* Alcoholic Foundation, to 31st March, 1966.

265. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Capital Improvement District Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

266. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$275,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Historical Sites, to 31st March, 1966.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Homes for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March, 1966.

268. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Recreational Centres for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March, 1966.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, to 31st March, 1966.

270. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$93,430 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Provincial Elections Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

271. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Public Inquiries Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

272. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Archaeological and Historic Sites Protection Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

273. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$273,909 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

274. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Grants *re* Civil Service—Gratuities under sec. 77 of *Civil Service Act* and other Government employees, to 31st March, 1966.

275. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Retiring Allowances—*Civil Service Act*, sec. 70, and other Government employees, to 31st March, 1966.

276. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Grants—Retiring Allowances, to 31st March, 1966.

278. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Civil Service Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

279. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

280. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$850,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Public Services Medical Plan Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

281. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$97,964 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Public Services Group Insurance Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

282. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Death Benefits, to 31st March, 1966.

283. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$68,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Municipal Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

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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.

**92** Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to payments under section 2 of the *Iron Bounty Act*:—

1. Have any payments been made under this section to Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the amounts and dates of payment to date?

The Hon. *D. L. Brothers* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Statement of payments made under the *Iron Bounty Act*, R.S.B.C. 1960, chapter 200, to Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited was as follows:—

	1960/61 Fiscal Year
February 13, 1961.....	\$4,955.82
March 7, 1961.....	6,191.40
April 12, 1961.....	7,268.40
Sub-total.....	<u>\$18,415.62</u>

	1961/62 Fiscal Year
May 10, 1961	\$8,003.10
June 7, 1961	7,179.00
July 6, 1961	9,533.70
August 8, 1961	9,598.80
September 7, 1961	9,528.90
October 5, 1961	9,070.50
November 7, 1961	8,983.65
December 6, 1961	6,921.00
January 9, 1962	8,911.50
February 6, 1962	10,010.40
March 13, 1962	8,495.70
Sub-total	<u>\$96,236.25</u>

	1962/63 Fiscal Year
April 6, 1962	\$1,810.20
May 7, 1962	5,083.50
June 6, 1962	9,240.60
July 10, 1962	8,559.00
August 8, 1962	9,178.80
September 10, 1962	8,602.20
October 10, 1962	7,255.20
November 15, 1962	9,147.00
December 10, 1962	7,696.80
January 9, 1963	9,242.10
February 13, 1963	9,476.10
March 6, 1963	8,386.80
Sub-total	<u>\$93,678.30</u>

	1963/64 Fiscal Year
April 9, 1963	\$8,875.20
May 8, 1963	8,352.90
June 6, 1963	9,368.10
July 5, 1963	9,060.60
August 8, 1963	10,001.70
September 6, 1963	10,094.70
October 4, 1963	9,847.20
November 7, 1963	9,931.80
December 10, 1963	9,718.50
January 8, 1964	9,921.00
February 12, 1964	9,891.30
March 9, 1964	9,196.50
Sub-total	<u>\$114,259.50</u>

	1964/65 Fiscal Year
April 7, 1964	\$10,335.90
May 7, 1964	9,282.90
June 9, 1964	9,482.70
July 7, 1964	10,021.80
August 10, 1964	7,529.40
September 9, 1964	9,991.80
October 7, 1964	8,914.50
March 23, 1965	80,059.80
Sub-total	<u>\$145,618.80</u>
Grand total	<u>\$468,208.47 "</u>

**116** Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With respect to the Federal Government's *Technical and Vocational Training Assistance Act, 1961*:—

1. What is the total sum of Federal money available to the Province of British Columbia under this Act?
2. What was the total money paid by the Federal Government to the Province of British Columbia under this Act as of (a) December 31, 1962, (b) December 31, 1963, and (c) December 31, 1964?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

" 1. Not known since the only type of agreement that Canada is prepared to enter into under the Act provides that (a) Canada contributions are subject to the annual appropriation of funds by Parliament and (b) Canada contributions are determined in varying percentages of Provincial expenditures as defined in the agreement or at the discretion of the Federal Minister, these contributions being further restricted by ceiling amounts established annually, or for the period covered by the agreement, or by other factors.

" 2. (a) \$4,113,807.10, (b) \$14,314,201.64, and (c) \$22,286,323.48 (inclusive of \$3,066,246.91 in unpaid claims as of this date)."

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.14 p.m.

## Thursday, March 25, 1965

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Canon *H. J. Jones*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

On consideration of Resolution No. 303, Mr. *Dowding* moved "That Vote 303 be tabled until the matter of increases in rates for social assistance are settled by the Executive Council."

The Chairman ruled the motion out of order on the ground that the Committee had no power to table the vote.

Mr. *Dowding* appealed the ruling of the Chairman.

Without the Committee rising, the Chairman reported the matter to the House.

Mr. Speaker put the question: "Shall the ruling of the Chairman be sustained?"

The Chairman's ruling was sustained.

303. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

304. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,736 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, General Administration, to 31st of March, 1966.

305. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,986 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance and Rehabilitation Division, to 31st March, 1966.

306. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,334,684 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Field Service, to 31st of March, 1966.

307. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$76,282 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Medical Services Division, to 31st of March, 1966.

308. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,933,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance, to 31st of March, 1966.

309. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, *Residence and Responsibility Act*—Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

310. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$175,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, New Denver, to 31st March, 1966.

311. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$181,960 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

312. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,257,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Maintenance of Dependent Children and Grants to Homes, to 31st March, 1966.

313. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,692 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Provincial Home, to 31st March, 1966.

314. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$492,883 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Brannan Lake School for Boys, to 31st March, 1966.

315. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$341,214 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Willingdon School for Girls, to 31st March, 1966.

316. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$349,206 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance, Blind Persons' Allowances, and Disabled Persons' Allowances Board—Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

317. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance, to 31st March, 1966.

318. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1966.

319. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$885,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1966.

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

Mr. *Smith* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, as follows:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 24, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts begs leave to report as follows:—

Your Committee held several meetings for examination of vouchers supplied by the Comptroller-General. These vouchers were supplied from 43 individual votes as and when requested by the Chairman and were found to be in order.

Your Committee summoned Mr. Willard E. Ireland, Chairman of the Public Documents Committee, established by the *Public Documents Disposal Act (Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960, c. 134)*, and, having heard the submission on behalf of the Public Documents Committee, recommends that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Documents Disposal Act*, approval be given for the destruction of various public documents as listed in the submission to the Public Documents Committee for 1965 in so far as the following departments of Government are concerned: Agriculture; Commercial Transport; Finance; Health Services and Hospital Insurance (Division of Laboratories, Division of Venereal Disease Control, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Division of Vital Statistics, Health Branch); and Social Welfare.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. D. SMITH, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

Mr. *Spear* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education, as follows:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 25, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education begs leave to report as follows:—

That the Committee duly convened and at its initial meeting dealt with organization matters and a review of the Committee's terms of reference.

That the Committee received and considered a Resolution of the House "That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education to examine and study a proposal entitled *An Act to Amend the Protection of*



*Children Act, 1965*, and related proposal entitled *An Act to Amend the Adoption Act, 1965*, and to report to the Legislature its observations thereon, and to recommend as to the desirability of placing this legislation before the House for consideration."

That the Committee heard reports from senior officials of the Department of Social Welfare and the Department of the Attorney-General.

That the Committee also had presented to it written submissions from The Children's Aid Society of Vancouver; The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver; The Association of Chest Employees, Local 881, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Vancouver; The Family and Children's Service, Victoria; Chairman, Foster Parents' Committee of Family and Children's Service, Victoria; and The British Columbia Association of Social Workers, Vancouver.

That submissions were made from all child-caring agencies recognized under the *Protection of Children Act*.

Your Committee has duly deliberated on the various submissions and representations made, and after giving careful study to the material submitted to it at departmental level is of the following opinions:—

The Committee recommends that the proposed amendments to the *Protection of Children Act* be further amended to read:—

#### *Protection of Children Act*

Proposed amendments to be further amended to read as follows:—

Section 2:

" ' Judge ' includes any Judge of a Family and Children's Court or any Magistrate."

Section 8:

" 8. (1) Any child apprehended under section 7 shall, within seven days, be brought before a Judge for examination. ' The person who apprehended the child shall present to the Judge a complaint in writing on oath.'

"(2) Where a child is brought before a Judge under subsection (1) the Judge shall fix the date for a hearing to determine whether the child is in need of protection.

"(3) It is the duty of the person who apprehended the child to give ' notification in writing ' to the following persons of the time and place of the hearing:—

"(a) The parents ' and ' person having the actual custody of the child, ' where their whereabouts are known ':

"(b) The Superintendent; and

"(c) The clerk of any local authority sought to be made liable for any payment under section 32 in respect of the child.

"(4) The notification of a hearing under subsection (2) shall be given at least five clear days before the date fixed for the hearing.

"(5) Should the persons required to be given notice under subsection (3) attend at the time a child is brought before a Judge under subsection (1) and consent to waive notification under subsection (3), the Judge may, in his discretion, hold the hearing forthwith.

"(6) The Judge has the power to compel the attendance of witnesses.

"(9) If the Judge finds that the child is in need of protection, he shall set out such findings in an order in that behalf, and shall also include one of the following provisions in the order:—

- “(a) That the child be returned to his parent or other person having actual custody at the time of apprehension, subject to inspection and supervision for a period not exceeding twelve months, by a society or by the Superintendent:
- “(b) That the child be committed temporarily to the care and custody of a society or of the Superintendent for a period not exceeding twelve months as in the circumstances of the case he considers advisable; or
- “(c) That the child be committed permanently to the care and custody of a society or of the Superintendent.

“(2) An order for permanent committal may be made at any time where

“(a) the application is not opposed; or

“(b) consent is obtained.

“(3) An order for a permanent committal which is opposed or not consented to shall not be made effective or operative until six months has elapsed from the time such child was apprehended.

“(11) Where a child has been committed temporarily to the care and custody of a society or the Superintendent, the society or the Superintendent may at any time during the period of temporary commitment, on giving like notification as is prescribed by subsections (3) and (4), bring the case again before a Judge for further consideration and action under this section; and if temporary commitment has not been earlier terminated, the case shall, at the expiration of the specific period, again be brought before a Judge, and the Judge shall thereupon further inquire and determine whether the circumstances justify an order returning the child to the parent or other person having actual custody at the time of apprehension, or a further order under subsection (9), but in no case shall an order be made at any time that results in the temporary commitment of a child for a period of more than twenty-four months from the date of the first order for temporary commitment of the child, unless the Judge for special reasons, shall ‘order that the temporary commitment be extended from time to time.’”

Section 11:

“11. (1) Where a child has been committed permanently to the care and custody of a society or the Superintendent, the society or the Superintendent may, on giving like notification as is prescribed by subsections (3) and (4) of section 8, bring the case before a Judge ‘of the Supreme Court;’ and if the Judge ‘of the Supreme Court’ is satisfied that the termination of the permanent commitment is in the best interest and welfare of the child, he shall terminate the commitment.

“(2) Where a child has been committed permanently to the care and custody of a society or the Superintendent, any person upon obtaining leave may give thirty days’ notice to the society or the Superintendent, to apply to a Judge of the Supreme Court for an order that the committal permanently to the care and custody of the society or the Superintendent be terminated; and if the Judge of the Supreme Court is satisfied that the termination of the order is in the best interest and welfare of the child, he may terminate the order and may make any provision that is deemed appropriate for the care and custody of the child. Thereafter, proceedings may be continued or initiated before a Judge having jurisdiction under section 8, and in the manner therein provided.’

“(3) Where a child has been committed to a society or to the Superintendent and the order was made before the coming into force of the *Protection of Children Act Amendment Act, 1965*, a Judge, upon application by the society or the Superintendent or the parent, and like notification as is prescribed by subsections (3) and (4) of section 8 having been given, may upon investigation order

“(a) that the order be rescinded; or

“(b) make any order that is permitted under subsection (9) of section 8.”

Section 12:

“12. (1) An appeal from any decision of the Judge under this Act to a Judge of a County Court in the county in which the decision was given, and the provisions of the *Summary Convictions Act* respecting appeals shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to appeals under this Act.

“(2) The Court which hears the appeal ‘ may award costs to the parent whether or not the appeal is allowed, unless in the opinion of the Court there are special reasons ’ for denying such costs.”

The Committee proposed no further revision of amendments to the *Adoption Act*.

The Committee further recommends that a continuing study be made by the Minister of Social Welfare of the effects of this Act, and that a report on the number of permanent orders granted or refused be submitted to a Legislative Committee at the next Session of the Legislature with a view to further revision of the Act, should it prove to be in the best public interests.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. C. SPEARE, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

The Hon. *W. D. Black* (Provincial Secretary) presented the Detailed Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Capital Improvement District Commission for the year ended March 31, 1964.

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* (Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance) presented the Ninety-second Report on Vital Statistics in the Province of British Columbia for the year 1963.

In answer to the following question standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Harding*:—

**40** Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to highway contracts let since January 31, 1964:—

1. What is the identification and the amount of each contract let under the highway-building programme?

2. What has been the total amount paid contractors for work completed or under construction?

The Hon. the Minister of Highways 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.

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

With reference to vocational schools:—

1. How many persons applied for entry in 1963 and 1964 and how many were accepted and undertook training in each year?

2. Were any applicants rejected as unsuitable for training in 1963 and 1964 and, if so, how many in each year?

3. Were any applicants rejected because of a lack of training facilities in 1963 and 1964 and, if so, how many in each year?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) 1963, 7,780 persons applied; 1964, 10,394 persons applied; and (b) 1963, 4,161 persons were accepted and undertook regular full-time day training; 1964, 5,820 persons were accepted and undertook regular full-time day training.

“ 2. Information not readily available.

“ 3. Vocational schools have not been able to accommodate all applicants in some courses, but in most courses the present facilities could accommodate a much larger enrolment. Advisory committees normally determine intake in line with job vacancies.”

**71** Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. Were any cases referred to the Rehabilitation Co-ordinator of the Public Health Branch by the Social Welfare Branch during the calendar year 1964?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many and (b) how many of these cases were successfully rehabilitated during the year?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 214 cases dealt with by local rehabilitation committees, 22 of these referred for personal attention to the Rehabilitation Co-ordinator and (b) of 22 referred to the Rehabilitation Co-ordinator, 7 have been successfully rehabilitated to date.”

**149** Mr. *Turner* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With reference to the Oak Street Bridge and Deas Island Tunnel:—

1. What was the total construction cost of both these projects?

2. What percentage of construction cost was collected in tolls from each of these projects?

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

“ 1. \$35,817,560.

“ 2. 33.3 per cent.”

**150** Mrs. *Haggen* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With reference to grants for school supplies to families receiving social assistance and the Minister's answer to Question No. 81 on this subject on February 17, 1965:—

1. Were all parents with school-age children notified that they could claim a grant toward school supplies?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many parents were so notified?

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

“ Answered by part 2 (b) of Question No. 81 of February 17, 1965.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

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## Thursday, March 25, 1965

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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)

286. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,665 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

287. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$220,212 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, General Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

288. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,888,379 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government Buildings (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1966.

289. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Construction of Provincial Buildings, to 31st March, 1966.

290. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Rentals, to 31st March, 1966.

291. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800,656 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Safety Inspection Division, to 31st March, 1966.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 26.

292. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,490 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

293. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$92,948 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, General Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

294. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$122,460 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1966.

295. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,556 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Commercial Fisheries Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

296. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,469,155 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

297. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$950,254 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic, Travel Division, to 31st March, 1966.

298. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,019 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic, California Office, to 31st March, 1966.

299. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$181,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic, Photographic Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

300. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,128,644 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Parks Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

301. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$325,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Grants in Aid of Regional Parks Development, to 31st March, 1966.

302. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March, 1966.

284. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$149,060 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, *Public Utilities Act*, *Cemeteries Act*, and *Prearranged Funeral Services Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

285. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$227,740 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, *Motor Carrier Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$338,226 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, to 31st March, 1966.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,271,160 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1964, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

Department of Agriculture .....	\$2,938
Department of the Attorney-General .....	442,482
Department of Education .....	384,584
Department of Finance .....	35,456
Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance .....	9,698
Department of Highways .....	3,714,501
Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce .....	36,279
Department of Labour .....	96,177
Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources .....	32,497
Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources .....	732
Department of Municipal Affairs .....	1,505
Department of the Provincial Secretary .....	23,578

Department of Public Works .....	\$392,454
Department of Recreation and Conservation .....	82,765
Department of Social Welfare .....	2,015,514
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	\$7,271,160

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$564,640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1966.

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

The reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on February 24th and 25th and on March 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 16th, 18th, 24th, 25th, and 26th were taken as read and received.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, the Rules were suspended and the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply were read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolutions.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, the question was put and agreed to,—

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair for the House to go into Committee of Ways and Means.

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

*Resolved*, That toward the making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Public Service of the Province, there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the following:—

- (1) \$7,271,160 to make good certain sums expended for the fiscal year ended the 31st day of March, 1964.
- (2) \$446,001,326 toward defraying the several charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 1966.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.  
Resolution read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 92) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*.

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 92) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

The Bill was committed, reported complete without amendment, and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill *Ordered* to be read a third time at the next sitting today.

**117** Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With respect to the *Vocational Schools Assistance Act*, chapter 67, Statutes of British Columbia, 1962:—

1. Which School Boards have applied for assistance under this Act?
2. In each case, what was the date of application and what was the total contribution required of the local School Board?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ 1. The following 31 school districts have made application in respect of more than 50 vocational projects: School District No. 2, Cranbrook; School District No. 3, Kimberley; School District No. 7, Nelson; School District No. 9, Castlegar; School District No. 11, Trail; School District No. 15, Penticton; School District No. 20, Salmon Arm; School District No. 22, Vernon; School District No. 23, Kelowna; School District No. 24, Kamloops; School District No. 33, Chilliwack; School District No. 34, Abbotsford; School District No. 35, Langley; School District No. 36, Surrey; School District No. 37, Delta; School District No. 38, Richmond; School District No. 39, Vancouver; School District No. 40, New Westminster; School District No. 41, Burnaby; School District No. 42, Maple Ridge; School District No. 43, Coquitlam; School District No. 44, North Vancouver; School District No. 47, Powell River; School District No. 52, Prince Rupert; School District No. 57, Prince George; School District No. 61, Victoria; School District No. 63, Saanich; School District No. 65, Cowichan; School District No. 68, Nanaimo; School District No. 70, Alberni; School District No. 72, Campbell River.

“ 2. Preliminary general and final specific applications are made for each individual project, not a single application on a school district basis. The school district is required to contribute 10 per cent of approved project costs but may provide features in excess of those approved. Total contribution of the district is therefore not known until each project is finalized.”



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

And then the House adjourned at 1.50 a.m.

## Friday, March 26, 1965

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. G. Walker*.

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

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 5) intituled *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act*.

Bill (No. 92) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *An Act to Amend the Revenue Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *An Act Respecting Parks* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that upon consideration of section 7 of Bill (No. 20) a debate arose, the Committee divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, it was *Ordered* that the report be adopted and the division be recorded as follows:—

YEAS—17

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>McKay</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Hagen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>			

NAYS—28

Messieurs

<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Richter</i>

## PAIR:

Messieurs

*Turner**Gaglardi*

On the motion that Bill (No. 20) be read a third time now, the House divided.

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

## YEAS—29

Messieurs

<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Shelford</i>			

## NAYS—17

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>McKay</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>			

## PAIR:

Messieurs

*Gaglardi**Turner*

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) intituled *An Act to Provide for the Retirement of George Ernest Pascoe Jones* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

Upon consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 34) Mr. *Dowding* moved that the Chairman leave the chair and report progress.

The Chairman ruled that, in his opinion, the motion was an abuse of the Rules and privileges of the House, and, in accordance with Standing Order 44, declined to propose the question to the Committee. His ruling was appealed.

Without the Committee rising, the Chairman reported the matter to the House.

Upon the question being put, the ruling of the Chairman was sustained on the following division:—

## YEAS—28

Messieurs

<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Richter</i>

## NAYS—18

## Messieurs

McGeer  
Gibson  
Stupich  
Calder  
Hartley

Eddie  
Dowding  
Gargrave  
Barrett  
McKay

Perrault  
Macfarlane  
Nimsick  
Haggen, Mrs.

Macdonald  
Squire  
Harding  
Strachan

## PAIR:

## Messieurs

Gaglardi

Turner

On the motion that Bill (No. 34) be read a third time now, the House divided.

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

## YEAS—29

## Messieurs

Lundell  
Speare  
Smith  
Carnell  
Robinson  
Tisdalle  
Bruch  
Shelford

Price  
Brothers  
Kiernan  
Williston  
Bennett  
Bonner  
Black

MacSorley  
McLeod  
LeCours  
Chabot  
Skillings  
Little  
Jefcoat

Huhn  
Loffmark  
Campbell  
Chant  
Peterson  
Martin  
Richter

## NAYS—18

## Messieurs

McGeer  
Gibson  
Stupich  
Calder  
Hartley

Eddie  
Dowding  
Gargrave  
Barrett  
McKay

Perrault  
Macfarlane  
Nimsick  
Haggen, Mrs.

Macdonald  
Squire  
Harding  
Strachan

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled *An Act to Amend the Game Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 90) intituled *An Act to Establish the Universities Real Estate Development Corporation* was committed, reported complete with amendments and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the House reverted to the Order "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

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

Resolved, That the Government consider the advisability of establishing a printed verbatim account of the speeches, remarks, and proceedings of this Legislative Assembly and that this account be made available daily to the members of this Legislative Assembly and to those outside this Assembly who may wish to subscribe to such a Hansard record.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Nimsick* moved, seconded by Mrs. *Haggen*,—

Resolved, That the House refer to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of reviewing the Acts of the Province generally referred to as "those dealing with certain professions," and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council or any professional society for the purpose of

- (a) ascertaining the powers and duties contained therein;
- (b) considering whether the exercise of such powers and the discharge of such duties by professional societies is in the public interest;
- (c) considering whether the affairs of such societies are carried on in the public interest;
- (d) considering the possibility of securing uniformity in the provisions and administration of such Acts;
- (e) making such recommendations as the Committee of the Whole may deem to be expedient and advisable, and reporting same to the House.

A debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Mr. *Calder* moved, seconded by Mr. *Stupich*,—

That all correspondence and communications between all departments of the Government and any official of the Westcoast Transmission Company with respect to construction of a pipe-line westward from Prince George to Prince Rupert for the distribution of natural gas to the communities of Highway No. 16 and including Kitimat be filed with this House.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* (Minister of Commercial Transport) presented copy of correspondence referred to in the preceding motion.

Mr. *Macdonald* moved, seconded by Mr. *Calder*,—

Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that the Senate of Canada should be abolished.

On a point of order being raised by the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order as tending to dictate Government policy.

An appeal was taken from the ruling of the Chair.

The House divided.

The ruling of the Chair was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—34

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bennett</i>		

NAYS—13

Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Gaglardi*                      *Turner*

Mr. *Macdonald* moved, seconded by Mr. *Calder*,—

Resolved, That the Attorney-General should initiate discussions with the Minister of Justice and the Attorney-Generals of the Provinces with a view to amendments to the *British North America Act* to abolish the Senate of Canada.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Harding* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Squire*,—

That the preceding motion be amended by adding after the word “should” the words “consider the advisability of” before the word “initiate”.

The amendment was negatived.

The motion was ruled out of order as tending to dictate Government policy.

Mr. *Little* moved, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,—

Resolved, That consideration be given by the Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources to the use of aerial photography and available topographic information in the unsettled parts of the Province, to enable the issuance of leases over Crown land, both foreshore and grazing, without a survey by a British Columbia land surveyor being a prior requisite as is the Department's present policy, subject, however, to the incorporation into any lease so issued the stipulation that the lessee shall have the leased land surveyed within six months from the receipt of notice of necessity by the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources or within such further period of time as may be authorized by the Minister.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Strachan* moved, seconded by Mr. *Eddie*,—

That this House ask the Government to consider the advisability of negotiating with local transportation companies for the provision of bus passes at a nominal fee to all recipients of Old Age Security, Old-age Assistance, Disabled Persons' Allowance, Blind Persons' Allowance, and Social Allowance.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it would interfere with revenue of the Crown.

Mr. *Matthew* moved, seconded by Mr. *Shelford*,—

That the deposit of three hundred dollars (\$300) paid by the petitioner for a proposed Private Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate The Society of Independent Public Accountants and Auditors of British Columbia* be refunded to the petitioner.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *LeCours* moved, seconded by Mr. *Matthew*,—

That the deposit of three hundred dollars (\$300) paid by the petitioner for a proposed Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Embalmers and Funeral Directors* be refunded to the petitioner.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* moved, seconded by the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*,—

Resolved, That this House record its approval of the proposed *Act to Provide for the Amendment in Canada of the Constitution of Canada* contained and described in the White Paper tabled in the House of Commons on March 2, 1965.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Little</i>	

NAYS—13

Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Gaglardi* *Turner*

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

Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly recommends to the Parliament of Canada that the *British North America Act* and the *Divorce Act* be amended to permit the Provinces so desiring it to make laws relating to divorce and the grounds for divorce.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Harding* moved, seconded by Mr. *Nimsick*,—

Resolved, That as the East and West Kootenay power companies are not genuine free-enterprise companies, but are cost-plus monopolies supplying power with a secured profit and paying corporation tax, the Government consider placing these companies under public ownership under the terms of the *Power Act*.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. *Speaker* ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. *Hartley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Eddie*,—

Resolved, That the Government give consideration to making ambulance services available as a benefit under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. *Speaker* ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

**102** Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to the Stewart-Cassiar Highway:—

1. What was the original estimated cost of this highway?
2. What is the present estimate of the cost of completing this highway?
3. In dollars, as of December 31, 1964, how much had been expended on this highway?
4. Of the amount noted in No. 3, how much was contributed by the Federal Government?

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

“ 1. Do not have this information. The Department of Highways has supervised construction on the section south of Sawmill Point only.

“ 2. Approximately \$18 million as of December 31, 1964. (This is the estimated cost to finish the section between Sawmill Point and the end of a road extending 12 miles north of Stewart, and to up-grade some of the existing road.)

“ 3. \$13,034,000 (on the section between Sawmill Point and 12 miles north of Stewart).

“ 4. \$6,340,683 (on same section).”

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

With reference to completed Contract No. 1023, Department of Highways Annual Report, 1962/63:—

1. What was the date of completion of the construction on this contract?
2. What was the total cost of the project?
3. On what date was final payment made to the contractors?

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

- “ 1. May 25, 1962.
- “ 2. \$1,764,245.29 (includes contract, materials, engineering, etc.).
- “ 3. Final payment not yet made.”

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

With reference to the Montebello Auto Court and the Minister's previous answers to questions on this subject:—

1. What was the precise amount paid by the Government for the auto court itself?
2. What was the precise amount paid by the Government for the equipment and furnishings?
3. What is the total amount received by the Government in each year under the terms of the lease?
4. What is the total amount expended on this auto court by the Government since its purchase?
5. Were the equipment and furnishings ever evaluated?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, (a) who made the evaluation and (b) what was the amount of the evaluation?
7. Did the Government pay for the evaluation of the auto court or any other evaluations made?
8. If the answer to No. 7 is yes, what amounts were paid for each evaluation?
9. What are the “ related operations ” referred to by the Minister in his answer to Order Paper Question No. 106, 1965?
10. Has the Government paid taxes to the town of Hope in each and every year since the purchase on this property?
11. If the answer to No. 10 is yes, what amounts have been paid each year?
12. If the answer to No. 10 is no, (a) what is the total amount of taxes for the period since purchase and (b) what is the total amount unpaid to date?

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

- “ 1. \$165,000 for the auto court, including all equipment and facilities.
- “ 2. No separate payment, *see* No. 1.
- “ 3. 1963, \$444.67; 1964, awaiting statement of returns.
- “ 4. Approximately \$6,000, including transfer of cabins from right-of-way.
- “ 5. Yes.
- “ 6. (a) and (b) H. M. Ballard and E. J. Russell, jointly, \$10,000; (a) and (b) Department of Highways, \$20,000.
- “ 7. Yes.
- “ 8. \$600.
- “ 9. Restaurant and service-station sales, if any.
- “ 10. No.
- “ 11. *See* No. 10.
- “ 12. (a) \$4,179.53 (1962, 1963, and 1964) and (b) unknown.”



*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

## Friday, March 26, 1965

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Mr. *Stupich* moved, seconded by Mr. *Nimsick*,—

*Resolved*, That this Legislative Assembly recommends to the Government consideration of the advisability of applying to the Government of Canada to have control of the British Columbia Telephone Company Limited and its subsidiaries, within the Province of British Columbia, revert to Provincial jurisdiction and then consider the advisability of placing the said telephone system under public ownership.

A debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. *Barrett* moved, seconded by Mr. *Dowding*,—

Be it *Resolved*, That this House urge the Federal Government to remove nuclear weapons from Canadian soil.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

### YEAS—13

#### Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>			

### NAYS—32

#### Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Richter</i>

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

Resolved, That this Government give consideration to dispensing with the necessity of obtaining a fiat from the Crown before a citizen can proceed to take Court action against the Crown.

A debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Mr. *Stupich* moved, seconded by Mr. *Calder*,—

That this Government give consideration to the placing of all pipe-lines, as defined in the *Pipe-lines Act*, under public ownership.

A debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. *Hartley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Calder*,—

Be it Resolved, That this House give consideration to implementing a basic automobile accident insurance plan which would provide compensation to every victim of an automobile accident, and which insurance would be supplied at cost through a Government automobile insurance agency.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Shelford* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Price*,—

That the preceding motion be amended by deleting all the words after “that” in the first line, and substituting the following: “this Legislative Assembly ask the Government to study automobile insurance rates and gather comparative data with a view to possible examination of this material by a House Committee at the next sitting of the Legislature.”

Motion as amended agreed to.

By leave of the House, and with the consent of the members in whose names the notices of motion were standing, the following notices of motion were allowed to stand on the Order Paper:—

Mr. *Turner* to move,—

Be it Resolved, That the matter of contributions by the public to charities and more particularly, and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, the effect of the provisions of the *Contributions for the Blind Act*, being chapter 12, Statutes of British Columbia, 1964, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education for study, investigation, and report, with power to call witnesses and require production of books, documents, and records, and to report recommendations, if any, to the Legislative Assembly with respect to said matter.

Mr. *Eddie* to move,—

Be it Resolved, That the question of the effect of automation and mechanization upon the people and the economy of the Province be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Labour, for study and investigation and to report with recommendations, if any, to the Legislative Assembly with respect to the said question.

Mr. *Gargrave* to move,—

Resolved, That this House refer to the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education the subject of private pension plans:

And be it further Resolved, That the Committee be instructed to invite submissions from members of the public on the subject of private pension plans and consider the following aspects of the subject and report to this House thereon:—

- (a) The eligibility of employees to enter and receive vested rights under private pension plans:
- (b) The solvency of existing pension plans and the advisability of establishing standards to regulate the solvency of existing and future pension plans:
- (c) The advisability of enacting legislation to ensure that participating employees have rights under pension plans which can be enforced at law and free from arbitrary abrogation or loss by bankruptcy, merger, or other event:
- (d) The advisability of enacting legislation to allow employees to transfer pension rights from employer to employer and the effect of such legislation on the mobility of the Province's work force:
- (e) The publication to participating members of the details of a pension plan's (i) benefits, (ii) solvency, and (iii) investment portfolio:
- (f) The degree to which contributors to a pension plan should participate in the management of such pension plan:
- (g) The advisability of protecting pension benefits from the process of execution and seizure by creditors:
- (h) The advisability of providing optional benefits to participants.

Mr. *Dowding* to move,—

That all correspondence passing between employees of the Provincial Mental Health Services and the Attorney-General's Department relating to one Jerry Kleinys be tabled in the House.

Mr. *Strachan* to move,—

That all correspondence and documents from any and every Government department involved relating to the Montebello Auto Court, both prior to and since its purchase by the Department of Highways, be tabled in this House forthwith.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *An Act Respecting the Standard Display of Prices* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, Bill (No. 17) intituled *An Act Respecting the Rehabilitation of Prisoners* standing on the Order Paper under his name, was withdrawn.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act for the Recognition and Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act to Establish a Human Rights Commission* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order on the ground that it involved the expenditure of public funds and thereby offended Standing Order 66. Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Sale of Goods Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Provide Legal Aid and Advice* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order on the ground that it involved the expenditure of public funds and thereby offended Standing Order 66. Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 89) intituled *An Act to Establish the Office of Commissioner for Grievances* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 91) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 67. Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 93) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hospital Insurance Act* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—18

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McKay</i>		

NAYS—29

Messieurs

<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Bruch</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Turner* *Bennett*

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 94) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hours of Work Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *An Act to Amend the Purchasing Commission Act*.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *An Act Respecting Privacy*.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *An Act to Amend the Fireworks Regulation Act*.

The House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS—21

## Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>McKay</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Matthew</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Price</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Lundell</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>
<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Speare</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Barrett</i>			

## NAYS—26

## Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Broihers</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Black</i>		

## PAIR:

## Messieurs

*Turner* *Bennett*

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *An Act to Amend the Equal Pay Act*.

The House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS—18

## Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McKay</i>		

## NAYS—27

## Messieurs

<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Huhn</i>	

## PAIR:

## Messieurs

*Turner* *Bennett*

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Mr. Speaker declared a recess of fifteen minutes.

TEN FIFTEEN O'CLOCK P.M.

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

*E. G. MacMinn*, Esq., Clerk Assistant of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

- (No. 1) *An Act to Amend the Evidence Act.*
- (No. 5) *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act.*
- (No. 6) *An Act to Amend the Revenue Act.*
- (No. 7) *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962.*
- (No. 13) *An Act to Amend the Public Documents Disposal Act.*
- (No. 14) *An Act to Amend the Sheep Protection Act.*
- (No. 15) *An Act to Amend the Live-stock Public Sales Act.*
- (No. 16) *An Act to Amend the Children of Unmarried Parents Act.*
- (No. 18) *An Act to Amend the Fur-farm Act.*
- (No. 19) *An Act Respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas.*
- (No. 20) *An Act Respecting Parks.*
- (No. 23) *An Act to Amend the Land Act.*
- (No. 24) *An Act to Amend the Pollution-control Act.*
- (No. 26) *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Aid Act.*
- (No. 27) *An Act to Amend the Tuberculosis Institutions Act.*
- (No. 28) *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Drainage and Dyking Statutes.*
- (No. 29) *An Act to Amend the Dykes Maintenance Act.*
- (No. 30) *An Act to Establish the British Columbia Dyking Authority.*
- (No. 31) *An Act to Amend the Canada-British Columbia Joint Development Act.*
- (No. 32) *An Act to Amend the Water Act.*
- (No. 33) *An Act to Amend the Notre Dame University of Nelson Act.*
- (No. 34) *An Act to Provide for the Retirement of George Ernest Pascoe Jones.*
- (No. 35) *An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act, 1961.*
- (No. 36) *An Act Respecting Medical Grants.*
- (No. 38) *An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act.*

- (No. 39) *An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act.*
- (No. 40) *An Act to Amend the Podiatry Act.*
- (No. 41) *An Act to Amend the Health Act.*
- (No. 42) *An Act to Amend the Cremation Act.*
- (No. 43) *An Act to Amend the Highway Act.*
- (No. 44) *An Act to Amend the Public Service Group Insurance Act.*
- (No. 45) *An Act to Amend the Greater Victoria Water District Act.*
- (No. 46) *An Act to Amend the Small Debts Courts Act.*
- (No. 47) *An Act to Amend the Conditional Sales Act, 1961.*
- (No. 48) *An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.*
- (No. 49) *An Act to Amend the Counties Definition Act.*
- (No. 51) *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter.*
- (No. 52) *An Act to Ratify an Agreement Bearing Date the 16th Day of November, 1964, between the City of Prince Rupert, Canadian National Railway Company, and Her Majesty the Queen in Her Right of Her Province of British Columbia.*
- (No. 53) *An Act to Amend the Pacific National Exhibition Incorporation Act.*
- (No. 54) *An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922.*
- (No. 55) *An Act to Incorporate the United Home Life Insurance Company.*
- (No. 61) *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act.*
- (No. 62) *An Act to Amend the Securities Act, 1962.*
- (No. 63) *An Act to Amend the Mechanics' Lien Act.*
- (No. 64) *An Act Respecting the Furnishing and Maintenance of Security under Provincial Statutes.*
- (No. 65) *An Act to Amend the Companies Act.*
- (No. 66) *An Act to Amend the Provincial Infirmaries Act.*
- (No. 67) *An Act to Amend the Patients' Estates Act.*
- (No. 68) *An Act to Amend the Pharmacy Act.*
- (No. 69) *An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act.*
- (No. 70) *An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act.*
- (No. 71) *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act.*
- (No. 72) *An Act to Amend the Vocational Schools Assistance Act.*
- (No. 73) *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act.*
- (No. 75) *An Act to Amend the Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act.*
- (No. 76) *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act.*
- (No. 77) *An Act to Amend the Mineral Act.*
- (No. 78) *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act.*
- (No. 79) *An Act to Amend the Forest Act.*
- (No. 80) *An Act to Amend the Game Act.*
- (No. 81) *An Act to Amend the Sheriffs Act.*
- (No. 82) *An Act to Amend the Probation Act.*
- (No. 83) *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act.*
- (No. 84) *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law.*
- (No. 87) *An Act Respecting Regional Parks.*
- (No. 88) *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act.*
- (No. 90) *An Act to Establish the Universities Real Estate Development Corporation.*

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

The said assent was announced by *E. K. DeBeck*, Esq., Clerk of the House, in the following words:—

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

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 92) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*.

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

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

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

*Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:*

In closing this, the Second Session of the Twenty-seventh Parliament of British Columbia, I desire to express my thanks for the earnestness and attention you have shown. Your deliberations and labours have been long and arduous. During this Session, the Legislature has considered and given its approval to numerous fundamental and far-reaching legislation enactments.

You are to be commended in enacting the *Medical Grants Act*, which makes provision for an appreciable amount of assistance to those with low incomes for the purpose of medical care as well as making provision whereunder all residents of the Province, regardless of age, financial status, or state of health, will be able, at fair premium levels, to obtain protection from the impact of medical expenses.

Of real interest and concern to every citizen of this Province will be amendments to the *Public Schools Act*, amendments to the *Vocational Schools Assistance Act*, and the enactment of the *Universities Real Estate Development Corporation Act*, all of which are designed to promote and, particularly with regard to financial matters, assist and develop the educational facilities and opportunities at all levels within the Province.

A new *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act* has been formulated for the encouragement and regulation of the petroleum and natural-gas industry in the interests of the development and conservation of the natural resources of the Province and the furtherance of its economic progress.

Amendments to several Statutes dealing with drainage and dyking and the enactment of a Statute establishing a Dyking Authority and the consequent repeal of 84 separate Statutes dealing with this subject-matter will enable direct action to be taken by the new Authority in the interest of those faced with dyking problems.

I note that under the amendments made to the *Pharmacy Act*, new controls will be instituted with respect to the sale and distribution of agricultural pesticides and veterinary drugs.



The recreational requirements of the people of the Province and its visitors will receive added attention as the result of the enactment of the *Parks Act* and of the *Regional Parks Act*.

By your approval of amendments made to various Provincial Statutes, a large number of persons employed by the Crown but who were not formerly within the Civil Service will now come within this Service and acquire the status and protective measures which Civil Servants have for so long enjoyed in the Commonwealth.

You are to be commended in enacting an important amendment to the *Revenue Act*.

These and many other measures which you have carefully considered and authorized should contribute substantially to the well-being of our citizens.

Members of the Legislative Assembly, I thank you for your earnest deliberations and labours and for the supplies which you have granted for the Public Service.

Honourable Members, I now relieve you of your legislative duties and I trust that the blessing of Divine Providence will accompany you to your respective homes.

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

*Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:*

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

W. H. MURRAY, *Speaker*.