

Wednesday, April 4th, 1951.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *W. McPherson*.

By leave of the House, the Hon. Mr. *Johnson* made the following statement on a matter relative to which there is a notice of motion on the Order Paper:—

MADAM SPEAKER:

There has been a matter of major importance under consideration by the Government in which it has not been possible to announce policy due to the fact that the Government's decision has been dependent to some extent upon Federal action.

However, I now wish to inform the honourable members that it is the intention of the Government to introduce legislation which will enable the Government to take over rent-control on premises now under control as presently constituted and administered in British Columbia and to carry out orderly decontrol of rentals until need for same has been finally removed.

It will be recalled that rent-control was brought into effect by the Dominion Government under the "War Measures Act" to meet the emergency that had been created by war conditions.

It likewise will be recalled that the Dominion Government, considering that the emergency had passed, made it possible for those Provinces that so desired to assume the administration of the controls set up by that Government.

Immediately following the war, the Federal Government embarked upon a policy of decontrol, looking toward the time when there would be no further need for rental control.

More recently, an indication was given by Federal authorities that it might be necessary for them to again assume full responsibility for this measure.

The Government of this Province, being desirous of avoiding duplication, has waited until now before making a statement of its policy.

It proceeded on the assumption that, in view of the international situation, there was a possibility of the Federal authorities once again entering the field.

As this does not now seem probable, it is the Government's intention, under the proposed legislation, to take over the administration that now exists in the Province.

The legislation will also enable the Government, where desirable, to deal with those inequalities presently affecting landlord-tenant relationships now under control after consultation with all those affected.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Johnson*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *H. E. Winch* was withdrawn:—

Whereas rent-control has been exercised by Federal authority during war years and since the cessation of hostilities:

And whereas said control is reported as being relinquished:

And whereas tenants reasonably expect to have legislative protection from extortionate rents:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House is of the opinion the Government should give serious consideration to the introduction of legislation at this Session enabling a Provincial Government authority to exercise control over rental rates in the Province.

On the motion of Mr. *MacLean*, seconded by Mr. *Finnerty*, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas the restricted price of gold is making it difficult for the gold-mining industry of British Columbia to continue in operation:

And whereas the gold-mining industry in this Province employs about 6,000 men who are located in such places that other employment is not available and on the continued employment of whom the existence of whole communities depends:

And whereas the skill and experience of these men do not in many cases qualify them to find employment in defence industries so that a shut-down in the gold mines would result in much unemployment and hardship:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That this House urge upon the Dominion Government the pressing necessity of taking such steps as may be requisite to ensure a price of gold which would keep the gold mines of the Province in continuous operation.

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

Whereas Accident Facts, published by the National Safety Council, indicates that a high percentage of vehicle accidents, oft-times resulting in fatalities, involve persons alleged to be under the influence of liquor or intoxicated:

And whereas there is an increasing demand for legislative enactment that will permit scientific tests to be conducted when the driver of a motor-vehicle is thought to be under the influence of liquor or intoxicated:

And whereas there is a difference of opinion as to the best method of testing and the advisability of introducing legislation:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That this Legislature authorize the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education to consider various methods of testing motor-vehicle drivers to determine the degree of alcoholism and to hear such representation as may be laid before it by interested groups and individuals with a view to securing information and to report its findings to this House.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

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

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

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Cates*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$615,848 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1952.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$217,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1952.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,457 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Crown Prosecutor's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1952.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1952.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1952.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$141,390 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds, to 31st March, 1952.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1952.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,558 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Probation Office, to 31st March, 1952.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$84,966 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, New Haven, to 31st March, 1952.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Magistrates' Convention, to 31st March, 1952.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1952.

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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.

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

1. Was the firm of Stevenson & Kellogg, Limited, engaged by the Government to make any investigations and (or) recommendations with respect to any department?

2. If so, (a) what departments were investigated, (b) what amounts, if any, have been paid on account of the work, (c) what amounts, if any, remain unpaid, (d) what amounts, if any, are disputed, and (e) are any further accounts anticipated?

3. Has any report been received from the aforesaid firm with respect to any department or departments?

4. If so, what departments and what are the recommendations?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) and (b) Paid to March 31st, 1951: Motor-vehicle Branch, Department of the Attorney-General, \$4,499.25; Department of Finance, \$21,109.62; Department of Lands and Forests, \$29,115.24; and Department of Public Works, \$14,496.50; (c) all accounts presented up to March 31st, 1951, have been paid; (d) *nil*; and (e) yes.

"3. Yes.

"4. Reports have been received on the following: Motor-vehicle Branch, Department of the Attorney-General; Purchasing Commission; Department of Finance, generally; and Department of Lands. The reports on the Forest Branch and the Department of Public Works are understood to be nearing completion and are expected to be presented to the Ministers concerned in the near future. It is impossible to give an accurate digest of the recommendations which, in many cases, are extremely technical

in nature. Those concerning the Motor-vehicle Branch have already been acted upon, and those on the Purchasing Commission are in process of implementation (*see Annual Report of the Purchasing Commission, 1950*). Those concerning the Department of Finance are under active consideration at the present time. The report on the Department of Lands has only very recently become available. These various reports are all but a part of what is of necessity a general study, and a full appreciation of the problems and possible solutions can only come with a complete analysis. When this becomes available, the Legislature will be fully advised."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.58 p.m.

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### Wednesday, April 4th, 1951.

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.)

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,472 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1952.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$86,822 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Administration, to 31st March, 1952.

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$141,749 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1952.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,676 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Analytical and Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1952.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$107,326 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1952.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants, to 31st March, 1952.

212. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$650,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March, 1952.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grub-staking Prospectors, to 31st March, 1952.

214. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy *re* Explosives to Assist Bona-fide Prospectors, to 31st March, 1952.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Interprovincial Committee on Mining, to 31st March, 1952.

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1952.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Advertising in Weekly Newspapers, to 31st March, 1952.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Johnson*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Okanagan Flood-control Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Corporation Income Tax Act, 1949,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Order called for "Introduction of Bills."

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-racing Regulation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Deserted Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act.'"

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adourned at 11.47 p.m.

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**Thursday, April 5th, 1951.**

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon *E. G. Munn*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Johnson*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

On the motion of Mrs. *Rolston*—Bill (No. 71) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Oleomargarine Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 10) intituled “An Act respecting the Village of Qualicum Beach” was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 35) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Act, 1890,’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the Order being called for the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled “An Act to protect certain Civil Rights,” the Hon. Mr. *Wismer* rose to a point of order.

The Speaker reserved her decision.

On the Order being called for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Laws Declaratory Act,’” the Hon. Mr. *Wismer* rose to a point of order.

The Speaker reserved her decision.

Order called for “Private Bills.”

Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Victoria City Act, 1922,’” was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,963 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Minister’s Office, to 31st March, 1952.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,159 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1952.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,856,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Hospital Insurance Service, to 31st March, 1952.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$465,037 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Provincial Infirmaries, to 31st March, 1952.

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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.

Mr. *Lundell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health and Welfare the following questions:—

1. What was the total amount of grants made to British Columbia hospitals for the three-year period preceding the instituting of the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service for the purpose of alleviating hospital operating costs?

2. How was this total apportioned among individual hospitals?

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

“ 1. \$4,884,276.42; this amount includes the statutory 70 cents per patient-day as well as a special allowance of 30 cents per patient-day for the period July 1st, 1947, to October 31st, 1948.

“ 2. See following table:—

Name of Hospital.	April 1st, 1946, to March 31st, 1947.	April 1st, 1947, to March 31st, 1948.	April 1st, 1948, to December 31st, 1948.
Abbotsford—General	\$6,450.25	\$8,083.60	\$8,148.10
Alert Bay—St. George's	4,053.40	6,607.45	6,392.10
Armstrong—Armstrong and Spallumcheen	4,081.50	4,863.00	5,260.20
Ashcroft—Lady Minto	2,782.80	4,659.65	2,952.30
Bella Bella—R. W. Large Memorial	1,480.85	2,741.50	1,967.90
Bella Coola—Bella Coola General	1,410.55	2,021.55	1,465.95
Burns Lake	3,279.80	3,147.45	4,038.10
Campbell River—Lourdes	6,381.25	9,648.80	7,621.40
Ceepeecee—Nootka Mission General	2,282.65	2,685.70	1,267.15
Chemainus—General	5,596.95	7,644.25	6,627.70
Chilliwack—General	20,888.60	29,886.05	27,144.40
Cobble Hill—Queen Alexandra Solarium	10,026.60	10,970.10	12,523.20
Comox—St. Joseph's General	12,539.60	15,110.60	14,391.85
Cranbrook—St. Eugene	13,324.60	28,993.85	21,292.70
Creston—Creston Valley	5,664.35	8,406.25	6,457.95
Cumberland—General	7,557.00	9,766.00	9,278.85
Dawson Creek—St. Joseph's General	9,021.25	12,313.70	12,356.80
Duncan—King's Daughters'	17,871.10	24,048.00	26,663.10
Enderby—General	3,028.60	4,339.70	4,408.20
Fernie—General	8,505.00	12,962.15	12,476.35
Fort St. John—Providence	8,112.75	9,669.15	10,663.30
Ganges—Lady Minto Gulf Islands	2,859.00	5,496.15	5,091.60
Garden Bay—St. Mary's	3,295.00	5,396.40	4,302.50
Golden—General	2,900.75	3,822.70	3,730.70
Grand Forks	3,761.40	5,796.85	5,814.45
Hazelton—Wrinch Memorial	1,924.10	7,169.80	3,601.10
Invermere—			
Lady E. Bruce Memorial		214.80	
Windermere District	2,730.40	2,154.55	2,012.45
Kamloops—Royal Inland	29,283.10	58,831.85	46,710.90
Kaslo—Victorian Hospital Society	3,383.00	2,981.60	4,073.10
Kelowna—General	20,416.15	31,855.30	33,350.00
Kimberley—Hospital Society	12,415.00	17,052.35	14,227.85
Ladysmith—General	5,970.25	10,292.35	9,173.95
Lytton—St. Bartholomew's	3,384.45	3,848.35	3,045.20
Murrayville—Langley Memorial			4,626.40
Merritt—Nicola Valley General	4,029.40	5,984.60	5,469.70
Michel	2,390.95	3,272.35	4,357.95
Mission City—Mission Memorial	6,553.50	7,586.65	8,650.80
Nakusp—Arrow Lakes	2,129.15	3,830.15	3,914.30
Nanaimo—General	19,896.50	38,376.05	29,322.40
Nelson—Kootenay Lake General	22,603.65	32,523.10	33,943.80
New Denver—Slocan Community	5,347.75	7,556.95	7,620.45
New Westminster—			
Royal Columbian	65,704.95	108,313.05	98,967.95
St. Mary's	19,650.70	24,869.90	23,117.00
North Vancouver—General	21,119.15	37,486.60	31,000.40
Ocean Falls	5,624.25	9,993.55	6,912.90
Oliver—St. Martin's	6,814.75	9,144.85	10,417.45
Penticton	16,529.60	25,392.30	24,257.60
Port Alberni—West Coast General	18,238.40	23,972.50	22,917.35
Port Simpson	625.00		
Pouce Coupe—Community Hospital	3,193.40	4,772.60	1,265.10
Powell River—General	15,681.30	20,566.80	21,588.80
Prince George	11,325.10	33,345.20	22,422.30

Name of Hospital.	April 1st, 1946, to March 31st, 1947.	April 1st, 1947, to March 31st, 1948.	April 1st, 1948, to December 31st, 1948.
Prince Rupert—General	\$12,762.75	\$17,510.20	\$17,593.05
Princeton—General	7,569.00	9,329.60	8,878.00
Queen Charlotte City—Skidegate Inlet General	1,716.45	2,016.95	1,411.20
Quesnel—General	5,465.00	7,693.30	6,654.45
Revelstoke—Queen Victoria	6,421.50	8,292.30	10,708.90
Rossland—Mater Misericordiae	8,990.10	11,582.20	12,020.60
Salmon Arm—General	7,564.40	11,764.15	9,909.70
Sidney—Rest Haven	9,081.60	10,305.05	9,890.65
Smithers—Bulkley Valley	4,541.40	7,084.20	6,993.65
Summerland—General	4,693.75	6,170.65	6,554.10
Tofino—General	1,250.00	1,680.05	1,495.50
Trail-Tadanac	22,344.70	30,494.70	27,726.95
Vancouver—			
Children's Hospital	8,272.00	16,030.85	20,703.45
Grace Hospital	24,479.50	32,086.50	33,412.40
St. Paul's	117,883.95	176,184.05	150,831.55
General	252,820.05	521,666.75	338,277.00
St. Vincent's	25,642.90	33,763.25	30,027.60
Vanderhoof—St. John	4,479.95	6,491.80	6,507.80
Vernon—Jubilee	16,879.15	25,056.10	30,063.15
Victoria—			
Royal Jubilee	89,665.85	170,742.50	126,763.15
St. Joseph's General	65,785.90	110,729.10	90,587.40
Williams Lake—War Memorial	4,243.80	4,863.20	5,474.75
Vancouver—Mount St. Joseph's	2,788.50	8,649.35	8,661.85
Canadian Red Cross Society			6,461.37
McBride—Red Cross Outpost	4,366.65	3,523.05	1,969.85
Terrace—Red Cross Outpost		62.50	3,734.70
Zeballos—Red Cross Outpost		887.70	1,859.40
Sundry		570.00	273.00
Grand totals	\$1,203,828.40	\$2,005,698.80	\$1,674,749.22 "

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.34 p.m.

## Thursday, April 5th, 1951.

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.)

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$153,904 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, General Services, to 31st March, 1952.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Cancer Control (including Grants, etc.), to 31st March, 1952.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Public Health Service, Metropolitan Areas, to 31st March, 1952.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants in Aid of Arthritis Control, to 31st March, 1952.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Grants in Aid of Paraplegic Control, to 31st March, 1952.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Crippled Children (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Professional Training (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Public Health Research (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Health Survey (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, General Public Health (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Local Health Services Construction—Grants, to 31st March, 1952.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$467,567 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Local Health Services, to 31st March, 1952.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$206,513 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Laboratories, to 31st March, 1952.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$199,473 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Vital Statistics, to 31st March, 1952.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$162,996 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Venereal Disease Control, to 31st March, 1952.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Venereal Disease Control (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$106,259 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Central Office, District Nursing, and Social Service, to 31st March, 1952.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$66,341 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Travelling Clinics, to 31st March, 1952.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,148,181 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, In-patient Care and Stationary Clinics, to 31st March, 1952.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Public Health Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Control, Tuberculosis Control (Dominion Programme), to 31st March, 1952.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,302 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Office of the Deputy Minister, to 31st March, 1952.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$44,533 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Director of Welfare and Family Division, to 31st March, 1952.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,002,023 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Field Service, to 31st March, 1952.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Medical Services, to 31st March, 1952.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1952.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, "Residence and Responsibility Act"—Administration, to 31st March, 1952.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,473,371 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Social Allowances (including Grants), to 31st March, 1952.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$149,388 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Supplementary Mothers' Allowances, to 31st March, 1952.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Administration, Hospitalization, Social Allowances, etc., *re* Japanese Indigents, to 31st March, 1952.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,233,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Medical Services, Drugs, etc., to 31st March, 1952.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$823,455 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Child Welfare Division, to 31st March, 1952.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$103,244 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1952.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$160,978 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial School for Boys, to 31st March, 1952.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,165 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Industrial School for Girls, to 31st March, 1952.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,750,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Health and Welfare, Social Welfare Branch, Old-age Pensioners' Cost-of-living Bonus, to 31st March, 1952.

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1952.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$71,456 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, General Administration, to 31st March, 1952.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,732 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1952.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants, to 31st March, 1952.

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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.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Anscomb*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dykes Maintenance Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 p.m.

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## Friday, April 6th, 1951.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Moir A. T. Waters*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,486 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1952.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$96,943 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, General Administration, to 31st March, 1952.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$131,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Lands Branch, to 31st March, 1952.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$73,026 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Inspection Division, to 31st March, 1952.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,887 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1952.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$83,609 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Land Utilization Research and Survey, to 31st March, 1952.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$144,866 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Coal, Petroleum, and Natural Gas Control, to 31st March, 1952.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1952.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,421 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Service, Administration, to 31st March, 1952.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$278,704 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Legal Surveys Division, to 31st March, 1952.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$106,129 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Geographic Division, to 31st March, 1952.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$253,946 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Topographic Division, to 31st March, 1952.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$288,279 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Air Survey Division, to 31st March, 1952.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$241,046 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March, 1952.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Hydraulic Surveys, to 31st March, 1952.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, B.C. Hydro-metric Stream-gauging, to 31st March, 1952.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Dominion-Provincial Yukon-B.C. Hydraulic Survey, to 31st March, 1952.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Western Snow Conference, to 31st March, 1952.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Grant—British Columbia Natural Resources Conference, to 31st March, 1952.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,245 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, "Soldiers' Land Act" (Southern Okanagan Lands Project), to 31st March, 1952.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Recoverable Expenditure, "Soldiers' Land Act, 1918"—Houses, South Vancouver, to 31st March, 1952.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,172,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Salaries, to 31st March, 1952.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$625,880 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Expenses, to 31st March, 1952.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$470,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1952.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$135,398 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Management, to 31st March, 1952.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,385 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1952.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Public Relations (Forest), to 31st March, 1952.

200. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,380 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forest, Forest Service, Forest Ranger School, to 31st March, 1952.

201. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Protection Fund, to 31st March, 1952.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March, 1952.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,275 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1952.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Rentals, to 31st March, 1952.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Boys' Training Camps, to 31st March, 1952.

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

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

C. WALLACE,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Regulation of Leaseholds," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 6th, 1951.*

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to provide for the Regulation of Leaseholds," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

C. WALLACE,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*April 5th, 1951.*

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

1. Has the office of Mining Recorder and Government Sub-Agent at Stewart been closed?
2. (a) If yes, has a Deputy Mining Recorder been appointed; (b) if so, whom?
3. (a) How many mineral claims and placer leases, if any, are recorded at Stewart; (b) what revenue was collected at the office during 1950?
4. (a) Is there a Deputy Mining Recorder at Squaw Creek, Atlin Mining Division; (b) if so, whom?

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

" 1. Yes.

" 2. (a) No; but a Sub-Mining Recorder has been appointed; and (b) W. Shields Orr.

" 3. (a) As at March 31st, 1951, 377 mineral claims and no placer-mining leases; and (b) \$3,272.

" 4. (a) No; but there is a Sub-Mining Recorder; and (b) Mrs. F. Muncaster."

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

1. Has any correspondence occurred between the Provincial Government and interested parties relative to diverting the Lakes (a) Bennett, (b) Atlin, and (c) Tagish to Alaska Territory?

2. If yes, to what part of Alaska and for what purpose?

3. What are the commitments by the Provincial Government, if any?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Skagway; manufacturing aluminium.

“ 3. None.”

Mr. *E. E. Winch* asked the Honourable the Attorney-General the following question:—

What definite commitments (a) have been made or (b) are now in preparation for early implementation of the twenty-five recommendations made in the report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the state and management of the gaols of British Columbia as filed with the Legislature during the current Session?

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

“(a) There has been established a Unit for Young Offenders at Oakalla Prison Farm pending the construction of a new gaol for the more reformable offenders referred to in Recommendation No. 1. This new unit is being operated on the lines of a ‘closed’ Borstal institution, with adequate facilities for treatment and rehabilitation of the young offender, including academic and vocational training, group activities, hobbies, and inmate counselling—the whole being based upon a proper basis of classification. The institution is designed for a capacity of 100 inmates and has eight separate wards, with facilities for segregation. It is administered separately from Oakalla Prison Farm under an experienced director and has a staff of seventeen carefully chosen supervisors. The inmates are selected from the population of Oakalla Gaol after careful screening by a Classification Committee. Its present population is thirty-three, which will be increased to maximum population as the facilities and training programme develop.

“(b) Plans are under way in co-operation with the Public Works Department for the construction of a new gaol, at a site tentatively selected on the north side of Dewdney Trunk Road about half-way between Haney and Mission, for a population of 400 inmates, in accordance with Recommendation No. 1. This institution will relieve the congestion at Oakalla Prison Farm and will have facilities for a thoroughly modern programme of treatment, and is intended to house the young and more reformable offenders.

“(c) Appointment has been made of an Inspector of Gaols pending his appointment as Director of Corrections, in accordance with Recommendation No. 2. The title of Inspector of Gaols is in conformity with existing statutory provisions. Previously the position of Inspector of Gaols was held by the Commissioner of Provincial Police, and it was felt that this was not a satisfactory arrangement as the filling of these two positions by the one man is not compatible with modern penological principles. Consequently, careful consideration was given to the necessary qualifications required of a person to fill the position of Inspector of Gaols, and it was felt by the Commission appointed to investigate the gaols that the Provincial Probation Officer, Mr. E. G. B. Stevens, would fill this position with satisfaction in so far as the gaol administration is concerned and as regards the treatment programme in Oakalla Prison Farm and the Provincial gaols, as he has an excellent record in probation work in this Province.

“(d) The Commission appointed by the Attorney-General to investigate the gaol situation in the Province has continued to act in an advisory capacity to the Gaol Wardens

and the Inspector of Gaols pending the appointment of an advisory committee as per Recommendation No. 3.

“(e) The Inspector of Gaols has been instructed to make a job analysis of present personnel of Oakalla Prison Farm, including a salary scale for each category of employment, in accordance with Recommendation No. 4.

“(f) Provision has been made in the estimates for the current fiscal year for the establishment of a system of in-service training for the staff of the correctional institutions in co-operation with the University of British Columbia, in accordance with Recommendation No. 5.

“(g) Consideration is being given at the present time to the appointment of an additional Deputy Warden for Oakalla Prison Farm to conduct the training programme of staff and inmates and the reclassification of staff, in accordance with Recommendations Nos. 6 and 7. In the selection of staff for Oakalla Prison Farm and the Provincial gaols, appointments are now being made on the basis of merit and due qualifications for the position, especially in regard to the senior positions on the staff. Formerly the Provincial gaols, other than Oakalla Prison Farm, were staffed largely by the police, and this has now been changed to incorporate all gaol staffs into a single Provincial Gaol Service, with opportunities for promotion from one institution to another on the basis of merit.

“(h) The classification of inmates and their assignment to suitable institutions and training programme has been carried out in so far as the new Young Offenders' Unit is concerned, in accordance with Recommendation No. 8, and the setting-up of a classification centre in the old gaol building at Oakalla is being studied.

“(i) Recommendation No. 9 has been carried out in so far as the Young Offenders' Unit is concerned.

“(j) The matter of the appointment of a Protestant and Roman Catholic chaplain is under consideration, in accordance with Recommendation No. 10.

“(k) One of the most significant developments has been the appointment of the Provincial Probation Officer as Inspector of Gaols. In addition, provision has been made in the estimates for the current fiscal year for the extension of the probation services to two new areas (South Okanagan and West Kootenay), in accordance with Recommendation No. 12. The appointment of the Provincial Probation Officer as Inspector of Gaols also permits the integration of probation and parole services with the new institutional training programme.

“(l) No definite site has yet been chosen for the establishment of a new women's gaol as suggested in Recommendation No. 14, but the removal of this institution from proximity to Oakalla Gaol is one of the urgent problems now in hand.

“(m) Consideration is being given to the removal of New Haven to a new and more suitable site, as suggested in Recommendation No. 15.

“(n) It is understood that plans are under way to establish the new Boys' Industrial School on Vancouver Island, in accordance with Recommendation No. 17.

“(o) Necessary steps have been taken to install a fire-protection system at Nelson Gaol, and the work should be completed shortly.

“(p) Staffs have been appointed to Kamloops and Prince George Gaols, effective April 1st, 1951. These institutions will be under the Provincial Gaol Service instead of the police, and the necessary work in the improvement of gaol facilities will be proceeded with as soon as possible, in accordance with Recommendation No. 21.

“(q) Work is under way to improve the existing fence so as to make Oakalla a maximum security institution, in accordance with Recommendation No. 22.

“(r) Recommendation No. 23 has been carried out, and the cost of sending prisoners home or to a place of employment in necessary cases has now been provided for.

“(s) Full use is now being made of the existing facilities of the Child Guidance Clinic in the development of the diagnostic and treatment programme at the Young Offenders' Unit and at New Haven, in accordance with Recommendation No. 25.”

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.38 p.m.

## Monday, April 9th, 1951.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon *Robert Willis*.

Mr. *H. E. Winch* rose to a question of privilege, and moved, seconded by Mr. *Turner*,—

Whereas during proceedings of the Legislature statements on public policy with factual data are made but not officially recorded:

And whereas it is in the interest of the public and all legislative members that the proceedings should be so recorded as to enable full and accurate reference thereto:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That this House is of the opinion that the Government should give consideration to the advisability of establishing a system of verbatim reporting.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Rolston, Mrs.</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	
<i>Haggen</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>	

NAYS—34.

Messieurs

<i>Finnerty</i>	<i>McRae</i>	<i>Pearson</i>	<i>MacIntyre</i>
<i>Gould</i>	<i>Braden</i>	<i>Bowman</i>	<i>Morrow</i>
<i>Hendricks</i>	<i>MacDougall</i>	<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Ash</i>
<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Welch</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>	<i>Mowat</i>
<i>Steele</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Johnson</i>	<i>Turnbull</i>
<i>MacLean</i>	<i>McDonell</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Carson</i>
<i>Whisker</i>	<i>Hope</i>	<i>Straith</i>	<i>MacDonald</i>
<i>Stevenson</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>	
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Gillis</i>	<i>Proudfoot</i>	

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,692 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1952.

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

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

C. WALLACE,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*April 6th, 1951.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll Tax Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Anscomb*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowman*—Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Straith*—Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Documents Disposal Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowman*—Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Utilities Act.'"

Mr. *E. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health and Welfare the following question:—

Since subsidies have been made available by the Dominion Government toward the cost of new hospital construction, what basic subsidy has been paid for (a) chronic, (b) acute beds, and (c) the cost of such construction in each respective year?

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

"(a) Per bed, \$1,500 or one-third of the cost of construction, whichever is the lesser; (b) per bed, \$1,000 or one-third of the cost of construction, whichever is the lesser; (c) the Dominion Government contributed toward hospital construction in 1948-49, \$338,468.42, and in 1949-50, \$500,073.25."

Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health and Welfare the following questions:—

1. (a) What is the known or estimated number of persons in British Columbia whose physical condition necessitates prolonged periodical injections under the following medical categories: Pernicious anæmia, diabetes, chronic arthritis, and multiple sclerosis; (b) are registrations of these persons optional or compulsory?

2. (a) Has the Provincial Government any agreement with a non-resident doctor to visit Atlin periodically; (b) if not, is one contemplated?

3. (a) Is there a Provincial health nurse at Atlin; (b) if not, is one contemplated; (c) what is, or will be, the salary; (d) what arrangements, if any, have been made with the Indian Department relative to a contribution to the salary of a health nurse for services rendered to the Indians and for the cost of drugs?

4. Has the Provincial Government considered the necessity of placing resident doctors in the mining districts of Atlin, Tulsequah, Stewart, and Alice Arm?

5. (a) Are there any resident and qualified nurses at Lower Post and Alice Arm; (b) if not, are any contemplated?

6. At the present time the Lower Post Post-office is used as a first-aid room. Has the Provincial Government considered the necessity of building a clinic for that area?

7. (a) Who is the doctor at Telegraph Creek; (b) what is the town's retainer fee for the doctor, if any; (c) what is the Indian Department's contribution to the doctor's salary, or to the retainer fee, for medical services rendered to the Indians and for the cost of drugs?

8. Has the Provincial Government considered the need for dental inspection and treatment in isolated communities, especially in its schools?

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

"1. As this type of medical treatment is provided in part by physicians, Victorian Order of Nurses, public health nurses, and in clinics, the total number of persons involved is not available in any one record.

"2. (a) and (b) Not now; Dr. Meyer has been requested to visit Atlin.

"3. (a) and (b) Wife of Government Agent has acted since last nurse resigned to be married until successor available; (c) salary, \$175 per month plus \$20 special living allowance; and (d) Department of Indian Affairs pays \$40 and supplies drugs for Indians.

"4. Government has no control over the placement of doctors but endeavours to encourage doctors to assume practice in these outlying areas, and the Government, through the Department of the Provincial Secretary, provides a nominal grant-in-aid to encourage and maintain medical care in those areas until they are able to support a doctor without Government subsidy.

"5. (a) and (b) No.

"6. No.

"7. (a) Dr. G. W. Meyer, (b) none, and (c) \$180 (\$180 out of total \$330 per month) and also supplies drugs for Indians.

"8. Yes."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.