

Friday, March 10, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. Knebel*.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, on behalf of the Hon. *J. R. Chabot*, presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1968*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 10, 1972

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. 82) intituled *An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1968*, 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 after today.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, on behalf of the Hon. *J. R. Chabot*, withdrew notice of introduction of Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act* standing in his name on the Order Paper.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:

On the motion of Mr. *Marshall*, Bill (No. 83) intituled *British Columbia Agriculture Corporation Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act*.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, on behalf of the Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell*, presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Finance Authority Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 10, 1972

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. 81) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Finance Authority 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 after today.

The Hon. *W. D. Black*, on behalf of the Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell*, presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *First Citizens of British Columbia Corporation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 10, 1972

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. 79) intituled *First Citizens of British Columbia Corporation 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 after today.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 17) intituled *An Act to Amend the Revenue Surplus Appropriation Act, 1969.*

Bill (No. 27) intituled *An Act to Amend the Jury Act.*

The following Bills were committed, reported complete with amendments. Bills as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today:

Bill (No. 28) intituled *An Act to Amend the Administration Act.*

Bill (No. 33) intituled *An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.*

Bill (No. 35) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mortgage Brokers Act.*

Bill (No. 36) intituled *An Act to Amend the Regional Parks Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Accelerated Park Development Fund Act*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—45

Messieurs

<i>Ney</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Campbell, B</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>			

NAYS—4

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>
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PAIR:

Messieurs

Campbell, D. R. J. *Clark*

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Accelerated Reforestation Fund Act* was read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Power and Telephone Line Beautification Fund Act*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—45

Messieurs

Ney	Mussallem	Jefcoat	Campbell, B
Merilees	Price	Tisdalle	Wolfe
Marshall	Macdonald	McCarthy, Mrs.	Smith
Wallace	Strachan	Jordan, Mrs.	McDiarmid
Cocke	Dowding	Dawson, Mrs.	Chabot
Hartley	Nimsick	Kiernan	Skillings
Lorimer	Barrett	Williston	Loffmark
Hall	Daily, Mrs.	Bennett	Gaglardi
Williams, R. A.	Vogel	Peterson	Brothers
Calder	LeCours	Black	Shelford
Wenman	Little	Fraser	Richter
Kripps, Mrs.			

NAYS—4

Messieurs

Brousson	Gardom	McGeer	Williams, L. A.
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PAIR:

Messieurs

Campbell, D. R. J. Clark

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Provincial Rapid Transit Subsidy Act*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—33

Messieurs

Ney	LeCours	Kiernan	McDiarmid
Marshall	Little	Williston	Chabot
Brousson	Jefcoat	Bennett	Skillings
Gardom	Tisdalle	Peterson	Loffmark
Wenman	Bruch	Black	Gaglardi
Kripps, Mrs.	McCarthy, Mrs.	Fraser	Brothers
Mussallem	Jordan, Mrs.	Campbell, B	Shelford
Price	Dawson, Mrs.	Smith	Richter
McGeer			

NAYS—13

Messieurs

Wallace	Hall	Macdonald	Nimsick
Cocke	Williams, R. A.	Strachan	Barrett
Hartley	Calder	Dowding	Daily, Mrs.
Lorimer			

PAIRS:

*Messieurs**Campbell, D. R. J.
Wolfe**Clark
Williams, L. A.*

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, on behalf of the Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell*, presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 10, 1972*

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. 77) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal 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 after today.

The House reverted to the Order "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

Mr. *Price* presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT NO. 2

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 10, 1972

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders have been complied with relating to the petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate Vanco Insurance Company*, except for late filing, but, with respect thereto, the petitioner has paid double fees in accordance with Standing Order 98 (3).

Your Committee recommends that the petitioner be allowed to proceed with the said Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. PRICE, *Chairman*

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the report read and received.

On the motion that the Rules be suspended and the report adopted, leave was not granted.

Mr. Price presented the Third and Fourth Reports of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT No. 3

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 10, 1972

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble to Bill (No. 50) intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter* has been proved, and the Bill *Ordered* to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. PRICE, *Chairman*

REPORT No. 4

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 10, 1972

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble to Bill (No. 51) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trinity Junior College Act* has been proved, and the Bill *Ordered* to be reported without amendment.

And your Committee also recommends that the deposit paid by the petitioners be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. PRICE, *Chairman*

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the reports were read and received.

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the reports adopted.

158 Mr. Hartley asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:

1. Has a study of aquatic weed growth on the foreshore of Okanagan Lake been conducted?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) when will this report be available and (b) does the report indicate weed growth is polluting the lake and, if so, are steps being taken to control these weeds?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:

"1. Yes, a preliminary appraisal of a part of the foreshore of Okanagan Lake.

"2. (a) The report has been prepared under the Canada-British Columbia Okanagan Basin Study Agreement and has been made available to interested parties and (b) no conclusion can be drawn or decision made until completion of ongoing studies."

163 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:

1. Did the Department of Highways acquire the Montebello Motel in Hope (legal description: Blk. 36, Lots 9, 11-17, incl.), and Blk. A and B, Plan 4093?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) has the Department any plans for the disposal of this property and (b) has consideration been given to British Columbia Hydro acquiring or making use of this property?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) No and (b) yes, but the decision was not to dispose of the property."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.34 p.m.

Monday, March 13, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Pastor *Harold Bredesen*.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:

On the motion of Mr. *Dowding*, Bill (No. 84) intituled *An Act to Establish the Office of Commissioner for Grievances*.

On the motion of Mr. *Dowding*, Bill (No. 85) intituled *An Act Respecting Proceedings Against the Crown*.

On the motion of Mr. *Nimsick*, Bill (No. 86) intituled *Prevention of Restraint of Professional Practices Act*.

On the motion of Mr. Gardom, Bill (No. 87) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trust Companies Act*.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 28) intituled *An Act to Amend the Administration Act*.

Bill (No. 33) intituled *An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act*.

Bill (No. 35) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mortgage Brokers Act*.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 19) intituled *Accelerated Park Development Fund Act*.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Accelerated Reforestation Fund Act*.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Power and Telephone Line Beautification Fund Act*.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Provincial Rapid Transit Subsidy Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 22) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—38

Messieurs

Ney	Williams, L. A.	Kiernan	McDiarmid
Marshall	Capozzi	Williston	Chabot
Brousson	Vogel	Bennett	Skilling
Gardom	LeCours	Peterson	Loffmark
Wenman	Little	Black	Gaglardi
Kripps, Mrs.	Jefcoat	Fraser	Campbell, D. R. J.
Mussallem	Bruch	Campbell, B	Brothers
Price	McCarthy, Mrs.	Wolfe	Shelford
Clark	Jordan, Mrs.	Smith	Richter
McGeer	Dawson, Mrs.		

NAYS—12

Messieurs

Wallace	Lorimer	Calder	Dowding
Cocke	Hall	Macdonald	Nimsick
Hartley	Williams, R. A.	Strachan	Daily, Mrs.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—44

Messieurs

<i>Ney</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Gagardi</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Campbell, B</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—6

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McGeer</i>		

PAIR:

Messieurs

Merilees *Clark*

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:

Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962.*

Bill (No. 31) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hearing-aid Regulation Act.*

Bill (No. 32) intituled *An Act to Amend the Litter Act.*

Bill (No. 42) intituled *Human Tissue Gift Act.*

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled *Elderly Citizen Renters Grant Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Barrett, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Monday, March 13, 1972

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:

Bill (No. 43) intituled *An Act to Amend the Change of Name Act.*

Bill (No. 44) intituled *An Act to Amend the Community Care Facilities Licensing Act*.

Bill (No. 45) intituled *An Act to Amend the Physiotherapists and Massage Practitioners Act*.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Practical Nurses Act*.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Elections Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Cocke*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 60) intituled *Archæological and Historic Sites Protection Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Calder*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act to Amend the Social Assistance Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled *An Act to Amend the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1965*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hall*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hall*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *R. A. Williams*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

By leave of the House, the Hon. *D. L. Brothers* presented proposed regulations to be established in connection with amendments to the *Public Schools Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.04 p.m.

Tuesday, March 14, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Capt. *F. Russell*.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, Bill (No. 90) intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home Acquisition Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *J. R. Chabot*, Bill (No. 88) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trade-unions Act*.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 23) intituled *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act*.

Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962*.

Bill (No. 31) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hearing-aid Regulation Act*.

Bill (No. 32) intituled *An Act to Amend the Litter Act*.

Bill (No. 42) intituled *Human Tissue Gift Act*.

Bill (No. 43) intituled *An Act to Amend the Change of Name Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion that the Bill be read a third time now a debate arose.

Mr. *Dowding* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Hartley*, that the word "now" be deleted and the words "six months hence" be substituted therefor.

The amendment was negatived.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 44) intituled *An Act to Amend the Community Care Facilities Licensing Act*.

Bill (No. 45) intituled *An Act to Amend the Physiotherapists and Massage Practitioners Act*.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Practical Nurses Act*.

The House resumed the adjourned debates on the motions for the second reading of the following Bills:

Bill (No. 5) intituled *An Act to Amend the Bills of Sale Act, 1961*.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *British Columbia Railway Company Share Capital Purchase Act, 1972*.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954*.

Bills read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—43

Messieurs

Ney	Macdonald	McCarthy, Mrs.	Smith
Marshall	Strachan	Jordan, Mrs.	McDiarmid
Cocke	Dowding	Dawson, Mrs.	Chabot
Hartley	Nimsick	Kiernan	Skillings
Lorimer	Barrett	Williston	Chant
Williams, R. A.	Dailly, Mrs.	Bennett	Loffmark
Calder	Capozzi	Peterson	Campbell, D. R. J.
Wenman	Vogel	Black	Brothers
Kripps, Mrs.	LeCours	Fraser	Shelford
Mussallem	Little	Campbell, B.	Richter
Price	Jefcoat	Wolfe	

NAYS—6

Messieurs

Brousson	Wallace	McGeer	Williams, L. A.
Gardom	Clark		

PAIR:

Messieurs

Merilees

Hall

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Green Belt Protection Fund Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—44

Messieurs

Ney	Mussallem	Jefcoat	Wolfe
Marshall	Price	McCarthy, Mrs.	Smith
Wallace	Macdonald	Jordan, Mrs.	McDiarmid
Cocke	Dowding	Dawson, Mrs.	Chabot
Hartley	Nimsick	Kiernan	Skillings
Lorimer	Barrett	Williston	Chant
Hall	Dailly, Mrs.	Bennett	Loffmark
Williams, R. A.	Capozzi	Peterson	Campbell, D. R. J.
Calder	Vogel	Black	Brothers
Wenman	LeCours	Fraser	Shelford
Kripps, Mrs.	Little	Campbell, B.	Richter

NAYS—5

Messieurs

Brousson	Clark	McGeer	Williams, L. A.
Gardom			

PAIR:

*Messieurs**Merilees**Strachan*

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debates on the motions for the second reading of the following Bills:

Bill (No. 26) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act.*

Bill (No. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act.*

Bill (No. 39) intituled *Elderly Citizen Renters Grant Act.*

Bills read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Elections Act.*

Mr. *Hartley* moved adjournment of the debate.

The motion was negated.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Mr. *Barrett* asked leave of the House to move Motion 16 standing in his name on the Order Paper.

Leave was not granted.

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

1. What percentage of school operating costs was paid by the Provincial Government by direct grants to each school district in the calendar year 1971?

2. What is the estimated amount paid to the residents of each school district, ostensibly for education costs, by the Provincial Government in the calendar year 1971?

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

"1. The percentages of net budgetted operating expenses paid by the Provincial Government to each school district, as direct grants and exclusive of home-owner grants, for the calendar year 1971 were:

School District	Percent- age	School District	Percent- age
No. 1 Fernie	35.94	No. 12 Grand Forks	62.21
No. 2 Cranbrook	62.52	No. 13 Kettle Valley	57.98
No. 3 Kimberley	23.52	No. 14 Southern Okanagan	58.82
No. 4 Windermere	56.50	No. 15 Penticton	56.06
No. 7 Nelson	57.79	No. 16 Keremeos	65.03
No. 9 Castlegar	43.07	No. 17 Princeton	56.68
No. 10 Arrow Lakes	67.92	No. 18 Golden	67.01
No. 11 Trail	36.03	No. 19 Revelstoke	64.59

School District	Percent- age	School District	Percent- age
No. 21 Armstrong-Spallumcheen	72.21	No. 55 Burns Lake	62.92
No. 22 Vernon	57.54	No. 56 Vanderhoof	52.45
No. 23 Kelowna	46.72	No. 57 Prince George	38.95
No. 24 Kamloops	55.23	No. 59 Peace River South	61.51
No. 26 Birch Island	44.56	No. 60 Peace River North	32.54
No. 27 Williams Lake	61.18	No. 61 Greater Victoria	48.23
No. 28 Quesnel	57.03	No. 62 Sooke	65.57
No. 29 Lillooet	No. 63 Saanich	47.24
No. 30 South Cariboo	48.41	No. 64 Gulf Islands
No. 31 Merritt	60.49	No. 65 Cowichan	37.13
No. 32 Hope	49.26	No. 66 Lake Cowichan	7.87
No. 33 Chilliwack	68.22	No. 67 Ladysmith	61.12
No. 34 Abbotsford	66.74	No. 68 Nanaimo	42.55
No. 35 Langley	64.34	No. 69 Qualicum	38.07
No. 36 Surrey	63.87	No. 70 Alberni	39.62
No. 37 Delta	52.10	No. 71 Courtenay	59.13
No. 38 Richmond	52.05	No. 72 Campbell River	7.99
No. 39 Vancouver	20.87	No. 75 Mission	58.17
No. 40 New Westminster	28.82	No. 76 Agassiz	53.19
No. 41 Burnaby	43.02	No. 77 Summerland	55.05
No. 42 Maple Ridge	63.89	No. 80 Kitimat
No. 43 Coquitlam	54.73	No. 81 Fort Nelson	20.64
No. 44 North Vancouver	45.35	No. 82 Chilcotin	68.08
No. 45 West Vancouver	28.19	No. 83 Portage Mountain	12.55
No. 46 Sechelt	6.72	No. 84 Vancouver Island West
No. 47 Powell River	8.64	No. 85 Vancouver Island North	29.60
No. 48 Howe Sound	7.34	No. 86 Creston-Kaslo	63.34
No. 49 Ocean Falls	1.17	No. 87 Stikine	39.15
No. 50 Queen Charlotte	38.19	No. 88 Skeena-Cassiar	53.44
No. 52 Prince Rupert	12.98	No. 89 Shuswap	64.59
No. 54 Smithers	58.59		

"2. The amounts paid to residential property-owners in each school district by way of home-owner grants to defray their local school taxes for the calendar year 1971 were:

School District	Amount \$	School District	Amount \$
No. 1 Fernie	208,218	No. 29 Lillooet	48,874
No. 2 Cranbrook	335,585	No. 30 South Cariboo	102,838
No. 3 Kimberley	292,734	No. 31 Merritt	156,321
No. 4 Windermere	106,616	No. 32 Hope	144,908
No. 7 Nelson	541,575	No. 33 Chilliwack	1,022,162
No. 9 Castlegar	327,292	No. 34 Abbotsford	928,574
No. 10 Arrow Lakes	107,024	No. 35 Langley	818,069
No. 11 Trail	761,915	No. 36 Surrey	3,589,441
No. 12 Grand Forks	175,203	No. 37 Delta	1,542,037
No. 13 Kettle Valley	62,410	No. 38 Richmond	1,985,947
No. 14 Southern Okanagan	318,889	No. 39 Vancouver	11,217,472
No. 15 Penticton	702,413	No. 40 New Westminster	897,250
No. 16 Keremeos	73,516	No. 41 Burnaby	3,655,006
No. 17 Princeton	86,368	No. 42 Maple Ridge	914,506
No. 18 Golden	111,715	No. 43 Coquitlam	2,406,179
No. 19 Revelstoke	174,464	No. 44 North Vancouver	2,707,694
No. 21 Armstrong-Spallumcheen	135,567	No. 45 West Vancouver	1,242,933
No. 22 Vernon	759,993	No. 46 Sechelt	328,217
No. 23 Kelowna	1,502,765	No. 47 Powell River	540,726
No. 24 Kamloops	1,032,879	No. 48 Howe Sound	151,696
No. 26 Birch Island	44,288	No. 49 Ocean Falls	33,449
No. 27 Williams Lake	328,832	No. 50 Queen Charlotte	35,844
No. 28 Quesnel	342,961	No. 52 Prince Rupert	344,662

School District	Amount \$		Amount \$
No. 54 Smithers	196,269	No. 75 Mission	400,172
No. 55 Burns Lake	103,708	No. 76 Agassiz	96,061
No. 56 Vanderhoof	186,016	No. 77 Summerland	223,093
No. 57 Prince George	1,236,428	No. 80 Kitimat	275,859
No. 59 Peace River South	465,360	No. 81 Fort Nelson	11,557
No. 60 Peace River North	342,943	No. 82 Chilcotin (included with School District No. 27, Williams Lake)	
No. 61 Greater Victoria	4,759,992	No. 83 Portage Mountain (in- cluded with School Dis- trict No. 60, Peace River North)	
No. 62 Sooke	646,758	No. 84 Vancouver Island West..	40,907
No. 63 Saanich	883,794	No. 85 Vancouver Island North	98,315
No. 64 Gulf Islands	181,589	No. 86 Creston-Kaslo	354,880
No. 65 Cowichan	705,280	No. 87 Stikine	11,109
No. 66 Lake Cowichan	133,711	No. 88 Skeena-Cassiar	339,508
No. 67 Ladysmith	306,600	No. 89 Shuswap	561,552
No. 68 Nanaimo	1,287,013		
No. 69 Qualicum	306,624		
No. 70 Alberni	851,920		
No. 71 Courtenay	691,150		
No. 72 Campbell River	496,002		

159 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:

1. Are plans being made to log the valley of the White River, tributary of the Salmon River, on the east coast of Vancouver Island?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, will a greenstrip of timber be left on either side of the White River and, if so, how wide will this strip be?

3. Is the White River valley to be logged and, if so, when will the logging commence?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:

"1. Yes, this decision was made in 1914 when the pulp lease was issued in the White River. The pulp lease was subsequently included in Tree-farm Licence 39.

"2. Partly, the strip will not be continuous and the width will vary depending on the logging plan.

"3. Logging commenced in the Upper White in 1967, and will continue in accord with an approved logging plan which makes provision for use of, and protection to, the other resources, including fish, wildlife, and recreation."

162 Mr. *Lorimer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Recreation and Conservation the following questions:

1. Did the Provincial Government purchase land for the purpose of establishing the West Coast Park?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, who were the vendors and what was the price per acre paid in each case?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. One hundred and nine vendors have concluded agreements with the Government on their properties for a total purchase price of \$3,498,060 to December 31, 1971. Prices per acre vary as to location, nature of the land, and improvements where applicable. No average price per acre can be realistically stated at this time and each purchase is the subject of individual appraisal by a qualified appraiser."

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Tuesday, March 14, 1972

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debates on the motions for the second reading of the following Bills:

Bill (No. 60) intituled *Archæological and Historic Sites Protection Act*.

Bill (No. 61) intituled *An Act to Amend the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1965*.

Bills read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. *C. M. Shelford* (Minister of Agriculture) presented the Sixty-sixth Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year 1971 and Report of the Agricultural Aid to Developing Countries and World Disaster Areas Fund.

And then the House adjourned at 11.44 p.m.

Wednesday, March 15, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *John Vickers*.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *Statute Law Amendment Act, 1972*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 14, 1972

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. 91) intituled *Statute Law Amendment Act, 1972*, 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 after today.

By leave of the House, Mrs. *Kripps* moved, seconded by Mr. *Price*—

That Report No. 2 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills received by the House on March 10, relating to *An Act to Incorporate Vanco Insurance Company*, be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 15, 1972

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mrs. *Kripps*, Bill (No. 52) intituled *An Act to Incorporate Vanco Insurance Company* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Without the Committee rising, the Committee reported that during consideration of Vote 131 Mr. *Barrett* had moved that the Chairman leave the chair.

The Chairman ruled that the motion was an abuse of the Rules and privileges of the House pursuant to Standing Order 44.

The Chairman's ruling was appealed to the House.

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

YEAS—30

Messieurs

<i>Ney</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>		

NAYS—13

Messieurs

<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

Merilees *Brousson*

The House continued to sit after midnight.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

Without the Committee rising, the Committee reported that during consideration of Vote 131 Mr. *Barrett* had moved that the Committee rise and report progress.

The Chairman ruled that the motion was an abuse of the Rules and privileges of the House pursuant to Standing Order 44.

The Chairman's ruling was appealed to the House.

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

YEAS—31

Messieurs

<i>Ney</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	

NAYS—15

Messieurs

Gardom
Wallace
Cocke
Hartley

Lorimer
Williams, R. A.
Calder
Clark

Williams, L. A.
Macdonald
Strachan
Dowding

Nimsick
Barrett
Dailly, Mrs.

PAIR:

*Messieurs**Merilees**Brousson*

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,140 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1973.

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

13 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

With respect to hospital construction—

1. What was the total sum spent on construction of acute hospital accommodation in British Columbia in the year ended December 31, 1971?
2. How much of that sum was provided by the Provincial Government?
3. How much of that sum was provided by the Federal Government?
4. How much of that sum was provided by municipal governments, hospital improvement districts, and fund-raising?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:

"1. \$19,862,252.

"2. The Provincial Government is responsible for repayment of a major portion of the moneys borrowed for hospital construction projects under the *Regional Hospital Districts Act* (i.e., No. 1 less (a) \$120,952 which the Provincial Government provided in cash grants to hospitals and (b) the sums shown in Nos. 3 and 4). The Provincial Government's statutory responsibility for assisting in the payment of interest and principal on such borrowings is set out in section 22 of the above-mentioned Act.

"3. \$324,170.

"4. The hospital construction fund-raising function formerly carried out by hospital improvement districts and municipalities has been carried out by regional hospital districts for a number of years. Local fund-raising for hospital construction provided \$120,952."

34 Mr. *Cocke* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

With respect to patients at the Riverview Hospital—

1. How many were in residence at each unit as of December 31, 1971?
2. Were any patients placed into supervised boarding-home care during the calendar year ended December 31, 1971, and, if so, how many?
3. Were any patients in each unit awaiting transfer to supervised boarding-homes and, if so, how many?

4. Are any receiving after-care services provided by the staff of Riverview Hospital and, if so, how many?

5. How many admissions were there during the calendar year ended December 31, 1971, consisting of (a) new admissions and (b) readmissions?

6. Did any deaths by suicide occur during the calendar year ended December 31, 1971, and, if so, how many?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:

"1. Centre Lawn Unit, 255; Crease Unit, 184; Riverside Unit, 289; West Lawn Unit, 494; Hillside Unit, 43; East Lawn Unit, 852; North Lawn Unit, 201; and Vista/Venture Unit, 17.

"2. Yes, 295 patients.

"3. Yes, Centre Lawn Unit, 5; East Lawn Unit, 17; West Lawn Unit, 14; and Crease Unit, 6.

"4. Yes, 1,050 patients.

"5. New (first) admissions, 1,195; readmissions, 1,259.

"6. Yes, 6."

38 Mr. *Cocke* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

With respect to Riverview Mental Hospital—

1. What were the established positions in 1971 for (a) physicians, (b) nurses, (c) psychiatric nurses, (d) social workers, (e) ancillary health staff, and (f) other staff?

2. Were any of these positions vacant as of December 31, 1971?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, how many, by staff categories and grades of categories?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:

"1. (a) 51, (b) 117, (c) 788, (d) 41, (e) 99, and (f) 534.

"2. Yes.

"3. Three Medical Specialists 3, one Medical Specialist 2, two Medical Specialists 1, one Dental Technician, one Medical Records Technician, one Psychologist 3, one Psychiatric Social Worker 3, two Psychiatric Social Workers 2, one Dietitian 2, two Cooks 3, one Cook 2, one Cook's Helper, one Dietary Aide 2, one Labourer 1, one Occupational Therapist 3, one Occupational Therapist 2, three Occupational Therapists 1, one Recreational Therapist 1, one Building Service Worker 3, one Building Service Worker 1, two Clerk-Stenographers 2, one Clerk 2, one Superintendent of Nurses 1, one Head Nurse, three Staff Nurses 2, three Staff Nurses 1, one Psychiatric Chief Nurse 3, one Psychiatric Chief Nurse 1, two Psychiatric Charge Nurses, two Psychiatric Assistant Charge Nurses, five Psychiatric Nurses."

41 Mr. *Cocke* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

With reference to the Forensic Clinic, Mental Health Services, located at Burnaby—

1. What were the established positions as of December 31, 1971, for (a) physicians, (b) psychiatrists, (c) psychologists, (d) social workers, and (e) other staff?

2. Were any of these positions vacant as of December 31, 1971?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, how many, by staff categories?

4. What services were provided during the year ended December 31, 1971, to (a) Courts, (b) gaols, (c) probation services, and (d) individuals?

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark replied as follows:

"1. (a) One, (b) supervising psychiatrist is provided on three sessions a week, (c) nil, (d) two, and (e) one.

"2. Yes.

"3. One Social Worker.

"4. (a) Eight, (b) four, (c) 73, and (d) 102.

"NOTE—The Forensic Clinic was seconded to the Department of Psychiatry, University of British Columbia, operating out of the Vancouver General Hospital Annex as a service and training unit from May 1, 1970."

43 Mr. Cocke asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

With respect to psychiatric units in general hospitals operating under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service—

1. Were any such units in operation as of December 31, 1971?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many such units, (b) at what locations, (c) how many patient beds used, and (d) did any such unit commence operation during the year ended December 31, 1971?

3. Was permission granted by the Minister during the year ended December 31, 1971, in respect to psychiatric units in general hospitals with regard to (a) approval in principle, (b) commencing working drawings, and (c) commencing construction?

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) Ten; (b) Royal Inland Hospital, Kamloops; Kelowna General Hospital; Vernon Jubilee Hospital; Lions Gate Hospital, North Vancouver; Vancouver General Hospital (including the Child Psychiatric Unit); Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria; Health Sciences Centre, Vancouver; Trail Regional Hospital; Surrey Memorial Hospital; Prince Rupert Regional Hospital; Nanaimo Regional General Hospital and Prince George Regional Hospital have general beds allocated to psychiatry as required; (c) 349; and (d) yes.

"3. (a), (b), and (c) Yes."

54 Mr. Nimsick asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

1. Has a new hospital been approved in principle for the City of Fernie?

2. How many beds have been allotted for the plans of this hospital?

3. Are any of these beds to be left unfinished and, if so, how many?

4. What is the square footage allowed for each bed in the plans?

5. What is the allowable appropriation by the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service for the construction of this hospital?

6. Have the plans for the hospital at Fernie been accepted by the Department?

7. If the answer to No. 6 is no, what is the holdup on these plans?

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. Sixty-six beds.

"3. There are no bed areas to be left unfinished.

"4. The plans show a gross floor area of approximately 48,000 square feet or approximately 728 square feet per bed.

"5. The funds authorized for the new Fernie hospital project amount to \$2,690,000, including construction, equipment, and supplies.

"6. The basic concept as represented by the sketch plans for the proposed new hospital at Fernie has been accepted by the Department.

"7. See answer to No. 6."

131 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:

With reference to laboratories and radiological facilities in public hospitals which receive "Certificates of Approval" from the British Columbia Medical Services Commission—

1. Does the Hospital Insurance Service require that in addition to the Medical Services Commission approval, that the hospital also obtain "accreditation" from the British Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons and (or) the British Columbia Medical Association?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) are fees for accreditation for electro-diagnosis, radiology, and clinical laboratory totalling up to \$250 charged to the hospitals for this accreditation, (b) what legislative authority provides for the requirement and fees for such accreditation, and (c) how many hospitals in British Columbia are being required to obtain "accreditation"?

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* replied as follows:

"1. The Hospital Insurance Service has advised hospitals that it fully supports the accreditation programme operated by the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the British Columbia Medical Association to assess the quality of diagnostic services. Fees totalling up to \$250 are charged to hospitals for accreditation services. Such fees will be considered an acceptable hospital operating cost and the Hospital Insurance Service will include the necessary funds in the hospitals' approved budgets under the *Hospital Insurance Act*.

"2. See No. 1."

167 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Municipal Affairs the following questions:

With respect to the brochure "Housing 72"—

1. How many copies were printed?
2. What was the total cost?
3. Was the brochure printed by the Queen's Printer?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, what firm did print the brochure and why was the Queen's Printer not used?
5. Did any firms bid on this job?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, what were the bids?
7. By whom and at what cost was the publication written and designed?
8. To whom were they distributed and at what cost?
9. What was the purpose of printing the booklet?

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* replied as follows:

"1. 25,000.

"2. \$5,325.

"3. No.

"4. Price Printing Limited; the Queen's Printer was unable to undertake the work at the time.

"5. Yes.

"6. Price Printing, Vancouver, \$5,325; Hazeldine Press, Vancouver, \$5,389.14; Agency Press, Vancouver, \$5,400; Mitchell Press, Vancouver, \$5,459; and Evergreen Press, Vancouver, \$5,718.

"7. The text, design, art work, and photographic work were prepared and coordinated by Public Relations Services Limited, Vancouver. Fees were \$7,467.67.

"8. Copies were distributed to Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly, mayors and councils of municipalities, chairmen and directors of regional districts, Government Agents, libraries of schools, colleges, and universities in British Columbia, private citizens, community foundations, labour organizations, employees' associations, co-operative societies, credit unions, news media and trade journals, boards of trade, chambers of commerce, real estate boards and firms, life insurance companies, mortgage and trust companies, professional societies, construction associations, and housing corporations. There was no cost to the recipients.

"9. The purpose of the booklet is to describe the various forms and styles of housing being built in British Columbia and to inform of the methods of development and financial assistance available to individuals, associations, and municipalities."

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.40 a.m.

Thursday, March 16, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. Smith*.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:

On the motion of Mr. *Little*, Bill (No. 93) intituled *The Public Service Salary Act*.

On the motion of Mr. *Hartley*, Bill (No. 94) intituled *An Act to Amend the Taxation Act*.

On the motion of Mr. *Hartley*, Bill (No. 95) intituled *An Act to Empower the Government of British Columbia to Engage in the Business of Automobile Accident Insurance*.

On the motion of Mr. *Hartley*, Bill (No. 96) intituled *An Act Respecting Agreements for Sale of Farm Machinery and Parts*.

On the motion of Mr. *Nimsick*, Bill (No. 97) intituled *An Act to Amend the Annual Holidays Act*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$946,956 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Administration and Labour Standards, to 31st March 1973.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$251,806 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Branch, to 31st March 1973.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,278,736 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Apprenticeship and Industrial Training Branch, to 31st March 1973.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,422 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Labour Relations Branch, to 31st March 1973.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$417,756 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Mediation Commission, to 31st March 1973.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Motor-vehicles and Accessories, to 31st March 1973.

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

The Committee further reported that during consideration of Vote 136 the Committee divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Vote 136 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:

YEAS—31

Messieurs

<i>Ney</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>

PAIRS:

*Messieurs**Merilees
Vogel**Gardom
Hartley*

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.02 p.m.

Thursday, March 16, 1972

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)

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,988 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1973.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.18 p.m.

Friday, March 17, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. J. Hill*.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *Kootenay Canal Land Acquisition Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 14, 1972*

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. 89) intituled *Kootenay Canal Land Acquisition 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 after today.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 5) intituled *An Act to Amend the Bills of Sale Act, 1961*.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *British Columbia Railway Company Share Capital Purchase Act, 1972*.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954*.

Bill (No. 12) intituled *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*, was committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 12) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—43

Messieurs

Ney	Macdonald	McCarthy, Mrs.	Smith
Marshall	Strachan	Jordan, Mrs.	McDiarmid
Cocke	Dowding	Dawson, Mrs.	Chabot
Hartley	Nimsick	Kiernan	Chant
Lorimer	Barrett	Williston	Loffmark
Hall	Dailly, Mrs.	Bennett	Gaglardi
Williams, R. A.	Capozzi	Peterson	Campbell, D. R. J.
Wenman	LeCours	Black	Brothers
Kripps, Mrs.	Little	Fraser	Shelford
Mussallem	Jefcoat	Campbell, B.	Richter
Price	Bruch	Wolfe	

NAYS—6

Messieurs

Brousson	Wallace	McGeer	Williams, L. A.
Gardom	Clark		

PAIR:

Messieurs

Vogel

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Bill read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Green Belt Protection Fund Act*.

Bill (No. 26) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act*.

Bill (No. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act*.

Bill (No. 39) intituled *Elderly Citizen Renters Grant Act*.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act*.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 60) intituled *Archæological and Historic Sites Protection Act*.

Bill (No. 61) intituled *An Act to Amend the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1965*.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act*.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Criminal Injuries Compensation Act*.

Bill (No. 77) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act*.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 81) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Finance Authority Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. R. A. Williams, on behalf of Mr. Strachan, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 79) intituled *First Citizens of British Columbia Corporation Act* was read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 67) intituled *Safety Engineering Services Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Hall, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:

Bill (No. 71) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Libraries Act*.

Bill (No. 72) intituled *An Act to Amend the Highway Act*.

Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pari Mutuel Betting Tax Act*.

The Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* (Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance) presented the Annual Report of the Mental Health Branch, Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance, for the year 1971.

1 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

With reference to the Peace River power project—

1. What is the total amount spent to date on this project?
2. What is the total amount spent to date on the Portage Mountain Dam?
3. What is the total amount spent to date on transmission-lines?
4. What is the latest estimated cost of the first stage of this project?
5. What is the latest estimated cost of the whole project?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

- "1. \$646,431,877 to December 31, 1971.
- "2. \$114,603,124 to December 31, 1971.
- "3. \$152,356,198 to December 31, 1971.
- "4. Not finalized.
- "5. Not finalized."

2 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

With reference to the payment of \$273,291,661 received October 1, 1964, under the Columbia River Treaty—

1. Was any of this money expended to December 31, 1971?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the details of these expenditures to December 31, 1971?
3. Was any interest earned by all or part of the \$273,291,661 to December 31, 1971?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what is the total amount of interest earned?
5. What is the total amount unexpended, including any interest, to December 31, 1971?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes, \$273,291,661 received October 1, 1964, plus \$68,137,085 flood-control benefits, plus \$7,037,861 additional downstream benefits, plus \$109,825,691 interest earned.

"2. Duncan Dam:

	\$
Dam construction	19,868,775
Roads, clearing and access	4,572,846
Engineering	2,600,652
Community facilities—	
Wildlife protection	300,000
Spawning channel	500,000
Tourist facilities	110,000
Recreational facilities	27,000
Acquisition of land	423,893
Relocation	566,780
Interest during construction	1,858,885
Miscellaneous, licences and fees	183,936
General overhead costs of Authority	863,000

"Arrow Dam:

	\$
Dam construction	89,038,233
Engineering	14,539,857
Roads and relocation	20,575,121
Relocation, railroad and water supply	4,797,442
Acquisition of land	20,463,792
Clearing of land	12,859,393
Log handling	1,968,916
Property protection	2,138,861
Community facilities—	
Cemeteries	100,000
Community services	1,000,000
Revelstoke dykes	1,000,000
Revelstoke airport	385,000
Revelstoke golf course	50,000
Revelstoke bank protection	785,000
Nakusp waterfront	550,000
Nakusp wharf	150,000
Fish studies	35,000
Beach development	10,000
Interest during construction	16,913,208
Miscellaneous, licences and fees	273,208
General overhead costs of Authority	6,273,866

"Mica Dam:

Dam construction	94,070,766
Roads	19,350,330
Engineering	24,972,274
Relocations	5,000,000
Acquisition of land and clearing	3,369,512
Debris control and trash disposal	5,114,294
Diversion tunnels	22,607,760
Townsite and camp construction and operation	10,413,202
On-site power cost	2,980,217
Interest during construction	44,259,830
Miscellaneous, licences and fees	371,449

"3. Yes.

"4. \$109,825,691 (including interest on flood-control benefits and additional downstream power benefits).

"5. *Nil*. At the end of the 30-year sales contract, British Columbia will receive in addition one-half the downstream power benefits resulting from the Columbia River storage projects each year thereafter for a further minimum period of 30 years and continuously thereafter unless either party terminates the agreement, which would be most unlikely.

"The Arrow project was given an Honour Award in 1971 by the American Public Power Association. The citation read in part: 'The engineering of the dam and lock and other facilities is of high order. Not only is this a handsome engineering and sound functional solution, but it has contributed greatly to the entire region surrounding the artificial lake—it has created a regional recreational facility in the lake and brought life back to a whole community up and down the lake.'

"This Award was based on the advice of a panel of judges representing: The American Institute of Architects, The American Institute of Planners, The American Society of Landscape Architects, and The American Society of Civil Engineers."

23 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

With respect to the Moran Dam—

1. Were any funds expended during the calendar year 1971 by either the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority or the Provincial Government, or boards or agents commissioned by the Government or British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, on site investigation or site preparation for this dam?

2. Are any contracts which have been let now completed?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes, British Columbia Energy Board.

"2. Yes."

25 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With respect to the Drug, Alcohol, and Cigarette Education, Prevention, and Rehabilitation Fund—

1. What is the total amount of money spent under this Fund as of December 31, 1971?

2. How much of this was allocated to advertising in the British Columbia media?

3. How much was spent to support the rehabilitative and treatment services?

4. How much was expended on research?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. \$263,600 to February 1, 1972.

"2. \$186,352.

"3. \$71,002 in addition to an estimated \$1,575,000 expended by Government to support the rehabilitative, treatment, and prevention services.

"4. \$6,250."

57 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. Did any of the operating mines in the Province pay royalty on the coal produced?

2. If so, what are the names of the mines?

3. In each case (a) what was the royalty per ton and (b) what was the total amount paid in each case?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. None in 1971. They are, however, subject to the Income Tax Acts, the *Mining Tax Act*, the *Real Property Tax Act*, and the Consumer Taxation Acts. Also, the Province provides no subsidies to the industry.

"2 and 3. Not applicable."

63 Mr. *L. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Premier and Minister of Finance the following questions:

With reference to the *Cemeteries Act* and the cemeteries operated by Colwood Improvement Company Limited, Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens Limited, and Greencrest Memorial Gardens Limited, within the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission—

1. What was the aggregate dollar volume of sales by each of these companies of cemetery lots, plots, and other grounds for each of the calendar years 1959 to 1971, inclusive?

2. What was the total number of cemetery lots or plots sold by each of those companies in each of those years?

3. Were any of these companies required to collect and invest sums of money for perpetual care and maintenance of cemeteries in any of the calendar years 1959 to 1971, inclusive?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) by year, what sums were required to be collected and invested by each company, (b) by year, what sums were so collected and invested, and (c) by year, what sums so collected and invested have been released to any one of the companies?

5. Has the conduct of the business and operations of any of these companies been placed under the control of an administrator or trustee?

6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, (a) when did such administration or trusteeship commence and (b) is such administration or trusteeship continuing?

7. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, (a) what is the cost of such administration or trusteeship for the period ended December 31, 1971, and (b) what amount, if any, of such cost has been paid by the Province of British Columbia or any of its agencies?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1.

TOTAL PLOT SALES

	Colwood Improvement Co. Ltd. \$	Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens Ltd. \$	Greencrest Memorial Gardens Ltd. \$
1959.....	182,442.58	79,355.25	36,699.50
1960.....	44,152.80	30,841.25	15,076.85
1961.....	35,833.00	34,076.25	6,895.70
1962.....	23,503.25	20,680.00	5,337.50
1963.....	20,007.25	16,436.00	4,058.00
1964.....	33,781.75	10,798.75	8,178.00
1965.....	17,919.00	9,412.75	4,971.00
1966.....	15,167.00	8,578.00	3,987.00
1967.....	14,144.75	8,409.75	3,334.50
1968.....	14,677.00	6,876.00	4,917.00
1969.....	11,965.75	10,875.50	5,738.40
1970.....	11,341.45	11,100.50	7,872.50
1971.....		(Not available)	

"2.

1959.....	1,786	533	463
1960.....	547	344	189
1961.....	414	368	76
1962.....	277	162	61
1963.....	237	206	51
1964.....	438	104	97
1965.....	218	97	55
1966.....	160	92	34
1967.....	145	87	29
1968.....	157	71	51
1969.....	117	104	56
1970.....	120	102	80
1971.....		(Not available)	

"3. Yes.

"4. (a) 1958-67: Colwood Improvement Company Ltd., \$173,821; Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens Ltd., \$108,714; Greencrest Memorial Gardens Ltd., \$21,618; audited results not yet known for period 1968-71.

"(b) Colwood Improvement Company Ltd., \$99,171; Cedar Valley Memorial

Gardens Ltd., \$46,578; Greencrest Memorial Gardens Ltd., \$6,097. A care fund audit for 1958-67 showed that the difference between the total allocation and the sums deposited, when offset by \$88,056 of reinvested income earned on the fund, resulted in a liability of \$64,251, of which \$42,730 was classed as current. The total balance in these trust funds reported by the trust company as at December 31, 1971, stands at \$346,399.56.

“(c) None.

“5. Yes.

“6. April 3, 1970.

“7. (a) \$21,553.78 and (b) \$21,553.78 has been paid by the Province but is a charge against the income of the companies as stated in Order in Council 991 of March 24, 1970.”

64 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With respect to the subsidy for rural electrification—

1. How many new customers were connected to the system during the calendar years 1970 and 1971 as a result of this grant?

2. What criteria are established for the purpose of assigning priorities for the connection of new customers?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

“1. 1970, 738; 1971, 670.

“2. Priorities for new extensions are based to a large degree on the cost per residence of providing service to prospective customers who will participate to the extent required and take service as soon as the line is energized, so that electric service will be provided to the greatest number of customers at the lowest cost per customer.”

75 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:

1. Was Northwest Construction Company granted any contract to build a power-line between Nelway and a point between Cranbrook and Wardner?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total amount of the original contract granted and (b) was the contract completed for the original bid and, if not, what was the total amount paid?

3. Did Northwest Construction Company have any unsettled accounts with subcontractors?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of each subcontractor and the amount unsettled?

5. Was there any holdback by British Columbia Hydro of moneys owed to Northwest Construction Company?

6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, what was the amount held back?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

“1. Northwest Electric Ltd. was granted a contract to build a power-line between Nelway and a point between Cranbrook and Wardner.

“2. (a) The original contract was granted on a unit price basis; the total estimated cost, excluding charges for any extra work, was \$1,120,628.55 and (b) the amount paid to Northwest Electric Ltd. for work done to September 30, 1971, was \$807,927.66, of which \$7,683.74 was for extra work.

“3. Yes.

“4. Not yet fully determined.

“5. Yes.

"6. The retention for work to September 30, 1971, is \$142,575.48, of which \$1,355.96 relates to charges for extra work. In addition, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority is withholding \$190,299.86 covering work done from October 1 to November 30, 1971. As at February 4, 1972, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority had not received an invoice for work done from December 1, 1971, to the date the job was completed, approximately mid-December 1971. There will be some backcharges to Northwest Electric Ltd. from British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority; the amount has not yet been determined."

77 Mr. Barrett asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With reference to coal mined in (a) 1969 and (b) 1970—

1. What was the total tonnage that royalty was paid on under the *Coal Act*?
2. What was the total amount of royalty received under the *Coal Act* in each year?
3. Was any coal mined on which no royalty under the *Coal Act* was paid?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, how many tons and what was the name or names of the company or companies mining this coal?

The Hon. W. A. C. Bennett replied as follows:

"1. 1969, 37 tons; 1970, 88 tons.

"2. 1969, \$9.25; 1970, \$22.

"3. 1969 and 1970: Yes, involving coal mined on privately owned lands where real property tax applies instead of royalty.

"4. Kaiser Resources Ltd., 1969, *nil*; 1970, 3,161,264 tons. Bulkley Valley Collieries Ltd., 1969, 9,475 tons; 1970, 2,431 tons."

78 Mr. Barrett asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. Was any royalty under the *Coal Act* paid by Kaiser Coal Company or Kaiser Resources Limited in the fiscal years 1969/70, 1970/71, or 1971/72?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, what were the total amounts of royalty paid in each year?

The Hon. W. A. C. Bennett replied as follows:

"1. No, *Coal Act* only applies to Crown-leased lands. The Kaiser Companies own land privately and are subject to the Income Tax Acts, the *Mining Tax Act*, *Real Property Tax Act*, and Consumer Taxation Acts, and receive no subsidies from the Province.

"2. Not applicable."

81 Mr. Barrett asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

With reference to Columbia River power development—

1. What was the total amount expended to December 31, 1971?
2. Was this expenditure made direct from the moneys obtained from the United States of America under the Columbia River Treaty?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, was the expended money borrowed and, if so, where from and at what rate of interest?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, where was the expended money obtained?
5. What is the estimated expenditure for the year 1972?
6. What are the latest estimates as to the total capital cost of (a) Duncan storage, (b) Arrow storage, (c) Mica storage, (d) Mica at-site generation, and (e) general costs?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. \$490,544,735.

"2. Yes, plus \$32,252,436 from the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, which includes \$6,776,661 as general overhead costs of the total operations of the Authority for Mica, \$2,500,000 general development costs, including insurance and inflation. The main contributing factor to the inflation is wages, which have increased about 50 per cent since the commencement of the Columbia River power development. While inflation is detrimental to costs during construction, it benefits the Province after the initial 30-year period of the Columbia River Treaty. After the first 30 years, the Province has the option under the Treaty of accepting each year thereafter, for a further minimum period of 30 years and continuously thereafter unless either party terminates the agreement, which would be most unlikely, either 50 per cent of downstream power benefits or cash therefor. Inflation will increase these values and greatly benefit the Province at that time so that it receives many times the amounts originally estimated.

"3. No.

"4. British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority cash flow.

"5. Not finalized.

"6. Not finalized."

101 Mr. *Brousson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. Does British Columbia Hydro require deposits from its customers before accounts are opened?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many deposits were required in the year 1971 and what per cent of new accounts were required to make such deposits, (b) how many accounts in total now have deposits held by British Columbia Hydro, and (c) how many dollars in total are now held on deposit by British Columbia Hydro?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. Yes, from customers whose credit is not established or maintained to the satisfaction of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority.

"2. (a) 19,982 out of an estimated 265,000 new accounts, (b) 23,624 as at December 31, 1971, and (c) \$1,041,443 as at December 31, 1971."

117 Mr. *B. Campbell* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:

With reference to the Mica Dam project—

1. What was the total cost of construction of this project up to December 31, 1970?

2. What was the total cost of construction of this project in 1971?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. \$203,891,548.

"2. \$57,683,240."

132 Mr. *Cocke* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

With reference to money paid into Court under section 33 of the *Supreme Court Act*—

1. How much money was paid into Court in 1971?

2. Where was the money invested?

3. What rate of interest was paid?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. Payable to the Minister of Finance, \$2,482,207; payable to other payees, not known.

"2. Provincial Government guaranteed bonds.

"3. 6½ per cent."

134 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:

1. With regard to each of the seven Land Registry Offices, during each of the fiscal years 1964/65, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68, 1968/69, 1969/70, 1970/71, and the present fiscal year to December 31, (a) how many persons were employed, (b) how many applications for registration of fees-simple, charges, and cancellation of charges were received, (c) how many applications per employee were processed, (d) how many errors in registration were corrected, (e) how many employees resigned, (f) what reason did each employee give for resignation, and (g) how many employees are known to have left on obtaining better-paying employment in Federal, Provincial, or local government offices or with law firms or title search firms?

2. How many applications for registration are projected to be received in the seven Land Registry Offices during the fiscal period 1971/72 and 1972/73?

3. With regard to the New Westminster Land Registry Office in each of the fiscal years mentioned in No. 1, what was (a) the peak number of applications for registration awaiting processing and (b) the peak interval between application for registration in fee-simple and delivery of a certificate of title?

4. In the Land Registry Offices, (a) is the microfilming programme up to date, (b) is consideration being given to the use of electronic data processing, (c) what provision is made for training employees for senior positions, (d) what systems of quality control exist to ensure accuracy in registration and to detect errors, and (e) have any controls been eliminated or reduced since 1956?

5. Have any changes to the systems of quality control been made in the New Westminster and Vancouver Land Registry Offices since January 1, 1972, and, if so, what changes?

6. As to employees in the Land Registry Offices presently holding appointments as Deputy Registrar of Titles, Chief Clerk, Surveyor, and Senior Examiner of Titles, (a) how many employees are there in each category and (b) how many employees in each category may be expected to retire within the next five years?

7. Have the Director of Legal Services and those Registrars of Titles who are solicitors had experience in private practice in this Province and, if so, how much experience?

8. During the present fiscal year (a) has any Registrar of Titles resigned and, if so, from which office or offices and (b) if any Registrar has resigned, what reasons were given for resignation?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* 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.

137 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:

1. Did the Government retain counsel to support the applications of the Kootenay-Elk Railway referred to in the decision of the Railway Transport Committee decision of May 13, 1971?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what were the names of counsel so retained, (b) what has been the cost to the Government to December 31, 1971, and (c) is counsel still retained?

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

"1. Counsel was retained to represent the Province primarily to support Provincial jurisdiction over Provincial railways, and to oppose Canadian Pacific Railway arguments on constitutional issues, including the validity of Kootenay & Elk Railway's Provincial incorporation.

"2. (a) Alastair Macdonald, Q.C., (b) account not yet rendered, and (c) yes, but merely to report."

157 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

1. What is the total amount held by British Columbia Hydro in "security deposits"?

2. Are security deposits required by British Columbia Hydro in all areas of the Province?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, (a) which areas require deposits and (b) which areas do not require deposits?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:

"1. \$1,041,443 at December 31, 1971.

"2. Yes.

"3. See answer to No. 2."

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Monday, March 20, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Cyril Venables*.

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20, 1972

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. 92) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating 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 after today.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, on behalf of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Pollution Control Act, 1967*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20, 1972

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 Amend the Pollution Control Act, 1967*, 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 after today.

Mr. *Barrett* rose on a question of privilege. Mr. Speaker reserved his decision on the matter raised.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* that the House proceed to the Order "Public Bills and Orders," leave was not granted.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

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

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Macdonald* that the debate be adjourned to the next sitting of the House, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:

YEAS—18

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Clark</i>		

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Messieurs

<i>Ney</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skilling</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Richter</i>

The debate continued.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Barrett* tabled copy of a letter from the President of the Fort Nelson Teachers' Association to the Hon. *D. L. Brothers*, Minister of Education, dated March 8, 1972.

The debate continued.

At the hour of 6 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker delivered a reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members—At the opening of the House today the Honourable Leader of the Opposition rose on a matter described as a breach of privilege, namely, the placing of an advertisement by the Government in certain newspapers for the purpose of influencing debate on a Bill presently before the House, and moved that a committee on privileges be appointed to consider the matter complained of.

The Chair reserved its decision on whether or not a prima facie case of breach of privilege had been established. I have had an opportunity of examining the advertisement in question and of considering the said motion. I have also given consideration to the arguments advanced by different members and the various authorities referred to by them.

The general subject of the "privileges" of Parliament and its members was fully considered by the Chair in a decision recorded in the Journals of the Legislature, 1968, at page 134. I would refer the honourable members to that decision and particularly to page 135, which reads as follows:

"The 17th edition of May, at page 42, describes 'Parliamentary privilege' as 'the sum of the peculiar rights enjoyed by each House collectively as a constituent

part of the high court of Parliament and by the members of each House individually, without which they could not discharge their functions The privileges of Parliament are rights which are absolutely necessary for the due execution of its powers. They are enjoyed by individual members because the House cannot perform its functions without unimpeded use of the services of its members; and by each House for the protection of its members and the vindication of its own authority and dignity. When any of these immunities, both of the members individually and of the assembly in its collective capacity, which are known by the general name of 'privileges,' are disregarded or attacked by any individual or authority, the offence is called 'a breach of privileges' and is punishable under the law of Parliament."

In the same edition of May the privileges which attach to members of Parliament individually are enumerated as follows: (1) Privilege of freedom of speech; (2) privilege of freedom from arrest or molestation; (3) privilege of access to the Crown.

In Bourinot's "Parliamentary Procedure," 4th edition, at page 303, "questions of privilege" are described in general terms as referring to all matters affecting the rights and immunities of the House collectively, or to the position and conduct of members in their representative character.

The power of this House to define those privileges is sanctioned by the *Constitution Act*, R.S.B.C., 1960, chapter 71, and such privileges have been largely codified in the *Legislative Assembly Privileges Act*, R.S.B.C., 1960, chapter 215.

As explained by Dawson in the 2nd edition of "Government of Canada" at page 399, the privileges of the individual member are primarily designed to enable the member to attend his Parliamentary duties without interference and to encourage members to speak and act freely without fear of undesirable consequences.

I have also examined the Journals and other authorities for any instance in which it has been held that the matter complained of constitutes a breach of privilege and have found no relevant precedent. It is stated in the 16th edition of May, page 47, that while "either House may expound the law of Parliament and vindicate its own privileges, it is agreed that no new privilege can be created."

The motion of the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition also raises a question of whether or not a "contempt of Parliament" has occurred. I find in the 16th edition of May, at page 43, that "contempt of Parliament" as distinguished from "breach of the privileges of Parliament" relates to offences against the authority or dignity of Parliament, such as disobedience to its legitimate commands or libels upon itself, its officers or its members. Such actions, though often called "breaches of privilege" are more properly distinguished as "contempts."

As the matter raised by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition does not fall within the scope of any previously expounded privilege of Parliament or its members, and clearly does not fall within the above definition of "contempt," I must rule that neither a prima facie breach of privilege nor a contempt has occurred.

W. H. MURRAY, *Speaker*

And then the House adjourned at 6.05 p.m.