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OF THE PROVINCE OF  
BRITISH COLUMBIA  
SESSION 1935

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Tuesday, February 12th, 1935.

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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the second meeting of the Eighteenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable JOHN WILLIAM FORDHAM JOHNSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 10th day of January, 1935,

His Honour JOHN WILLIAM FORDHAM JOHNSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

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

Since I last had the pleasure of meeting this Assembly many significant events have transpired.

During the past year effort has been made to bring about a betterment of conditions, and it is gratifying to feel that there is every evidence of a return of confidence and improvement in business generally.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the accession of His Gracious Majesty King George V. to the Throne will be celebrated in May of this year. His Majesty's intense devotion to the welfare of all the people of the Empire has won ever-increasing regard, and this occasion will be marked by expressions of loyalty, good-will, and affection in all parts of the Empire.

Last month weather conditions were experienced almost unprecedented in the Province, and a great deal of physical hardship and damage to property took place.

My Government took prompt action to co-operate with local authority and individual effort in meeting immediate wants. A survey of general damage done has since been in progress and appropriate action will be taken in order effectively to cope with the devastation which occurred. You will be asked for appropriations to meet these conditions.

Since prorogation last year this Legislature has lost a valued member in the death of the former member for North Vancouver, the late Mr. Anderson, which is much regretted.

Several conferences were held last year between the Dominion and Provincial Governments in connection with a number of matters, particularly unemployment, and it is clear that further deliberations must take place in the near future in order to adequately meet the problems confronting the various Provinces, as well as the Dominion as a whole. In view of the fact that opinion now appears to be unanimous that there should be a redefinition of Dominion and Provincial jurisdictions in respect of a number of vital issues, results of great importance may be confidently expected.

Unemployment is still the most pressing problem, notwithstanding that there has been a reduction during the past few months of about 12 per cent. of those on relief. It is the intention of my Government to continue to press for measures that will put as many as possible of those now out of work into profitable employment.

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY!

VICTORIA, B. C.

My Ministers had opportunity during the year to present to the Dominion Government the claim of British Columbia for Better Terms in the Confederacy of Canada. In this connection my Government has been advised that an additional sum of \$750,000 will be paid to the Province for the present fiscal year as an interim payment on account of the annual subsidy.

My Government notes with satisfaction the greatly improved credit of our Province, and the general lowering of interest rates should facilitate the refunding plan approved by the Legislature at the last Session.

Agriculture generally in British Columbia has improved and an upward trend is noticeable both in the matter of markets and price structure. As a result of the "Natural Products Marketing" legislation passed last Session several producers' schemes have been proclaimed, which, with a further broadening of the Federal Act, will, it is believed, result in establishing agriculture on a sounder basis in this Province.

The results of the joint efforts of my Government and the lumbering industry to advance the sales of our lumber abroad has been very gratifying. Our water-borne trade to all countries in 1934 advanced substantially over that of previous years, the sales to the United Kingdom alone showing an increase of 68 per cent.

Recent investigations have confirmed the possibility of a very large power-development on the Fraser River. A reserve has been placed on the waters between Lytton and Quesnel with that purpose in view.

Reserves have also been placed on coal, petroleum, and natural-gas resources in different parts of the Province where such are believed to exist, having in mind the development of these resources along proper lines.

Educational reorganization has been under exhaustive review during the past year, having special regard to distribution of educational costs upon a sounder basis.

Comprehensive studies have been pursued in connection with the far-reaching and difficult problem of public health, and during the ensuing year proposals will be submitted to all in interest, including the professions, industry, and the public generally, so that every possible view-point may be brought to bear upon this important question.

Renewed activity of most substantial character in the mining industry occurred during the year, the total mineral-output showing an increase of 29 per cent. over last year. To mining may be attributed in large degree the fact that the Pacific Great Eastern Railway has shown increased earnings and more than paid operating expenses last year.

The legislation which was enacted last Session having to do with hours of work and wages has very materially improved labour conditions and has added to the industrial pay-roll. Further amendments to these Acts will be proposed in the light of the practical application of these measures.

You will be asked to make provision for substantial public works during the ensuing year.

During the year the Economic Council, established under the Act of last year, has gathered together a great deal of valuable information, particularly in reference to trade, which has already served useful purpose and will be one of increasing service in future plans.

It is the intention to next year review and redefine sources of municipal revenue, and meantime the Province is prepared to lend to the municipalities the share of the municipalities for unemployment relief.

My Government has entered into agreement with the Fraser River Bridge Company to construct a bridge on behalf of the Government across the Fraser River at New Westminster. This agreement will be submitted for your approval and you will be asked for an appropriation to cover the cost of the bridge.

An agreement was also entered into with the Ladner Bridge Company in pursuance of legislation in that behalf which will also be laid before you.

My Government is prepared to co-operate in any Dominion measures which are deemed to be of mutual benefit.

Amongst other matters to be submitted to you, in addition to those already indicated, will be the following:—

- Revision of the "Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act."
- Amendments and consolidation of the "Superannuation Act."
- Revision of the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- Revision of the "Game Act."

Amendments to the "Securities Frauds Act."

Amendments to the "Insurance Act."

Revision of the "Provincial Elections Act."

The Public Accounts for the past year and the Estimates for the coming year will be laid before you.

I pray that Divine Providence may guide you and bless the fruit of your labours.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson.

Mr. Speaker reported that to prevent mistakes he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

The Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of a member to represent the Electoral District of North Vancouver at the recent by-election was read as follows:—

"PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

VICTORIA, February 6th, 1935.

"Whereas a vacancy occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the death of *Harley Christian Erskine Anderson*, the late member for the North Vancouver Electoral District; and

"Whereas on the 23rd day of June, 1934, a writ for the election of a member to represent such electoral district was duly issued to the Returning Officer of the said district:

"Now I do hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1934, the said writ was returned to me by the Returning Officer, with his certificate endorsed thereon, whereby it appears that the electors of the said district have chosen *Dorothy Gretchen Steeves* to represent the North Vancouver Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly.

"P. WALKER,

"Deputy Provincial Secretary.

"To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Weir*, seconded by Mr. *Connell*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the by-election in the Electoral District of North Vancouver be entered upon the Journals of the House.

Mrs. *Dorothy Gretchen Steeves*, having been duly sworn, was introduced by Mr. *Connell* and Mr. *H. E. Winch*, and took her seat.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statute of Limitations'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the House, and that this Order have precedence over all other business, except the introduction of Bills, until disposed of.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Weir*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Gray*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, seconded by Mr. *Connell*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House expresses its sincere regret at the death of Mr. *Harley Christian Erskine Anderson*, member for the Electoral District of North Vancouver, and that the Clerk do convey to Mrs. *Anderson* and the family of the late member the condolences and sincere sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pattullo, seconded by the Hon. Mr. MacPherson, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills;
2. On Public Accounts;
3. On Printing;
4. On Railways;
5. On Mining;
6. On Agriculture;
7. On Municipal Matters;
8. On Forestry;
9. On Fisheries;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Manson, D. McPherson, Johnson, Connell, and Pooley.*

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. the Minister of Finance—

Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year ended March 31st, 1934.

By the Hon. the Minister of Education—

Annual Report of the Public Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1934.

By the Hon. the Minister of Lands—

Return pursuant to Section 42 of the "Forest Act."

Return of Lands exchanged under B.C. Statutes, 1926-27, Chapter 14.

By the Hon. the Minister of Mines—

Annual Report of the Minister of Mines for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture—

Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the Year ended December 31st, 1934.

By the Hon. Mr. Speaker—

Annual Report of the Provincial Library and Archives for the Year ended December 31st, 1934.

*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 3.38 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Very Rev. Dean *C. S. Quinton*, Dean of Columbia.

Pursuant to Order, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *McKeen* (Vancouver-Point Grey) moved, seconded by Mr. *Asselstine* (Atlin),—

That the following Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

“We, His Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session.”

A debate arose.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Stoan*—

Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board for the Period ended March 31st, 1934.

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Provincial Police for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*—

Annual Report of the Department of Railways for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*, it was *Resolved*,—

That *Laurence Arnold Hanna*, member for Comox Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker of this Legislative Assembly.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.05 p.m.

## Thursday, February 14th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rt. Rev. Bishop *McDonald*.

Mr. *Wismer* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the “Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.”

Mr. *Johnson* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to provide taxation relief, and for other powers.

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

The debate continued.

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

Mr. *Manson* presented the following Report of the Special Committee appointed on the 12th instant:—

### REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 14th, 1935.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report and recommend

that the personnel of the Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be as follows:—

STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS.—MESSRS. *Manson, Hanna, Harris, Johnson, McGeer, Wilkinson, Wismer, Price, Mrs. Steeves, and Mr. Pooley.*

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—MESSRS. *Sutherland, Asselstine, Burns, Harris, Johnson, Kenney, King, McGeer, Wismer, H. E. Winch, Anscamb, and Bruhn.*

PRINTING.—MRS. *Smith, and MESSRS. Leary, Murray, D. McPherson, H. E. Winch, and Savage.*

RAILWAYS.—MESSRS. *MacKay, Johnson, Murray, Tupper, Price, and Planta.*

MINING.—MESSRS. *D. McPherson, Asselstine, Burns, King, Leary, Manson, Murray, MacKay, Wilkinson, Connell, E. E. Winch, Bruhn, Pooley, and Uphill.*

AGRICULTURE.—MESSRS. *Barrow, Carson, Gillis, Murray, A. McDonald, MacKay, D. McPherson, Putnam, Strachan, Tupper, Swailes, Planta, and Savage.*

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.—MESSRS. *Whittaker, Carson, Hanna, McKeen, Putnam, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Wismer, Mrs. Steeves, and MESSRS. Connell and Anscamb.*

FORESTRY.—MESSRS. *Leary, Carson, A. McDonald, McKeen, Strachan, Whittaker, Bakewell, and Bruhn.*

FISHERIES.—MESSRS. *Gillis, Barrow, Hanna, Kenney, McKeen, Swailes, E. E. Winch, Savage, and Pooley.*

Respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman.*

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

*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.

## Friday, February 15th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. A. Reynolds.*

The petition from the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921," was received.

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

The debate continued.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Manson*, seconded by Mr. *Johnson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the following names be added to the Select Standing Committees of the House:—

FORESTRY.—MESSRS. *Harris and Savage.*

FISHERIES.—Mr. *Planta.*

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

1. Has the Department of Labour knowledge of a strike of workmen at the plant of Bloedel, Stewart & Welch, Boundary Road, Vancouver?

2. If yes, what is the cause of the dispute?

3. What action has the Department taken toward a settlement of the dispute satisfactory to the workmen?

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

"1. Information in possession of Department of Labour tends to show that no strike has taken place at the plant of Bloedel, Stewart & Welch, Boundary Road, Vancouver, but that employees of the company were prevented by outside interference from going to work after they had agreed with the employer on a scale of wages.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1."

*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 p.m.

## Monday, February 18th, 1935.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. S. Patterson*.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The petition from the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to provide taxation relief, and for other powers, was received.

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

The debate continued.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial Home for Girls for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

Annual Report of the Mental Hospitals for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

Annual Report of the Industrial School for Boys for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

By the Hon. the Attorney-General—

Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*February 18th, 1935.*

*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. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest 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. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

What were the monthly exports of (a) lumber, (b) logs, (c) pulp-wood from British Columbia for the period January, 1934, to January, 1935, inclusive?

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

“Lumber, logs, and pulp-wood as follows:—

	(a.) Lumber, F.B.M.	(b.) Logs, F.B.M.	(c.) Pulp-wood, Cords.
1934.			
January .....	85,467,136	17,610,178	958.13
February .....	76,782,552	17,110,431	1,056.25
March .....	64,711,258	11,581,558	1,073.46
April .....	64,878,151	8,319,594	1,121.25
May .....	61,481,768	8,613,100	979.50
June .....	73,552,031	10,765,986	1,174.55
July .....	82,062,662	20,039,414	573.49
August .....	78,693,391	13,391,896	697.61
September .....	56,226,609	17,699,561	631.62
October .....	72,252,345	11,506,343	868.42
November .....	75,713,887	20,662,150	465.09
December .....	67,642,924	15,435,540	554.50
Totals, 1934.....	859,464,714	172,735,751	10,153.87
1935.			
January.....	(Returns not yet received.)	23,575,938	179.29

“(a.) Figures supplied by returns from Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau, Inc., and are for water-borne traffic only. They do not include rail shipments.”

*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 5.35 p.m.

## Tuesday, February 19th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Adjutant *L. Ede* (Salvation Army).

Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision with regard to questions put by members:—

*Honourable Members*.—At this stage of the Session it has occurred to me that, in the public interest and the dispatch of the business of the House, a few remarks with reference to the practice regarding questions asked by members will not be out of place.

Generally speaking, it must be borne in mind that the object of questions is to obtain, and not to give, information, and they must contain no statement of fact which is not necessary to make them intelligible. Further, they should not seek information which is set forth in documents readily accessible to the questioner, as Statutes, public reports, etc.; nor should they be of unreasonable length. It is not intended here to refer in detail to the considerable number of specific objections, which are more particularly dealt with in many decisions of the Canadian and English Commons as well as of this House. In this connection, however, I will point out that with regard to question 1 of No. 2 appearing on the Order Paper of to-day, this is framed in an improper way, inasmuch as it might be said to contain in itself an argument as to whether or not the context of the telegrams referred to could be so construed: it is also more or less controversial and is so worded as to suggest its own answer. (See Speaker's Decision, B.C. Journals, 1932, p. 23, Nos. (3) and (4), and authorities there quoted.) This series of questions will accordingly be struck out. It is suggested, however, that if the member wishes to know whether the Government is intending to investigate conditions, etc., in relief camps, he should so frame his questions.



There are some questions on the Order Paper which in their nature would seem to involve voluminous details, and in these cases the information required should be more properly sought by a Notice of Motion for a Return. It should be noted, however, that under Standing Order 47 (3) the Minister concerned may, if he so desires, furnish his reply in the form of a Return, and this is the practice which has been generally followed by this House.

H. G. PERRY, *Speaker*.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
February 19th, 1935.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petitions have been complied with.

No. 1.—City of Vancouver.

No. 2.—City of Victoria.

Your Committee recommends that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bills.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Wismer*, Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On the motion of Mr. *Johnson*, Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*—

Annual Report of the Minister of Public Works for the Fiscal Year 1933-34.

By the Hon. Mr. *Stoan*—

Annual Report of the Inspector of Gaols on Oakalla Prison Farm for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

Annual Report of the Inspector of Gaols at Nelson for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor*.

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

*Government House,*

*February 19th, 1935.*

*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. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale 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.

In reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *F. E. Winch*, the Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented a Return:—

1. What was the total amount paid to recipients under the "Mothers' Pensions Act" during the years 1930 and 1934 respectively?
2. What was the cost of all salaries incurred in the administration of the "Mothers' Pensions Act" during the years 1930 and 1934 respectively?
3. How many mothers in receipt of pensions under the "Mothers' Pensions Act" were medically examined relative to their mental condition during the years 1933 and 1934 respectively?
4. How many of those so examined were committed to a mental institution during the years 1933 and 1934 respectively?
5. Is it a practice for employees of the Mothers' Pensions Department to take charge of the monthly pension of a number of recipients and expend same upon a budget without the consent or choice of the pension recipient?
6. If so, by whose authority?
7. If such budgets are in use, will the Minister supply copies of same?

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

1. Is Mr. *T. Taylor*, formerly employed in the Traffic Department of the Vancouver Court-house, now drawing superannuation?
2. If so, how long was he employed by the Provincial Government?
3. If so, what amount did he pay into the Superannuation Fund?
4. If so, when did he leave Government service?
5. If so, what is the amount of his superannuation?

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* replies as follows:—

- "1. He is receiving a retiring allowance.
- "2. Period of service, November 2nd, 1928, to April 30th, 1934.
- "3. He did not contribute to the Superannuation Fund.
- "4. Retired on April 30th, 1934.
- "5. The amount of his allowance is \$75 per month, and is not payable from the Superannuation Fund."

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

1. What is the total amount of unpaid income tax as at January 31st, 1935?
2. What is the amount of the accrued interest thereon at January 31st, 1935?

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

- "1. \$754,705.32.
- "2. Cannot readily be computed owing to varying delinquent dates."

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

1. Is the Department of Labour investigating the hours of work expected of nurses and orderlies employed in the general hospitals?
2. Is it the intention of the Department of Labour to introduce legislation that will result in hospital employees being brought under the scope of the "Hours of Work Act"?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Being considered."

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

1. Is there a staff engaged by the Government in the enforcement of the Male and Female Minimum Wage and Hours of Work Acts?
2. If these can be segregated, how many are engaged relative to each Act?
3. In what districts are the staffs located and the number in each?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Not segregated.
- "3. Island (1), Mainland (4); but available for duties wherever required."

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

1. Is there a staff engaged respectively in connection with Elementary and High School Correspondence Courses?
2. If so, what is the number in each case?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. (a) Elementary Correspondence School, four instructors on permanent staff and eight on temporary staff; (b) High Correspondence School, five instructors on permanent staff and twenty part-time instructors; clerical staff, three permanent and one temporary."

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

1. Was a Commission appointed during the year 1934 to inquire into the operations of the Government institution known as Tranquille Sanatorium?
2. If so, what investigations were made?
3. What is the name and address of each member of the Commission?
4. Who was Chairman of the Commission?
5. How many days did the Commission spend investigating and preparing their report?
6. What sum of money was paid each member of the Commission for: (a) Salary; (b) travelling expenses?
7. Has each Commissioner been paid in full; if not, what sum is still owing in each case?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. General investigation of the institution.
- "3. Mr. C. H. O'Halloran, Barrister and Solicitor, Victoria, B.C.; Dr. A. K. Haywood, Medical Superintendent, Vancouver General Hospital, Vancouver, B.C.; Professor H. M. King, Department of Animal Husbandry, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C.
- "4. Mr. C. H. O'Halloran.
- "5. Thirty-four days.
- "6. (a.) Fees: Mr. C. H. O'Halloran, \$1,700; Professor H. M. King, \$750; Dr. A. K. Haywood, *nil*. (b.) Travelling expenses: Mr. C. H. O'Halloran, \$204.37; Professor H. M. King, \$99.40; Dr. A. K. Haywood, \$98.
- "7. 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 5.50 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 20th, 1935.**

Prayers by the Rev. *E. F. Church*.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 20th, 1935.*

*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. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

1. Have any complaints been made to the Liquor Control Board concerning sanitary conditions in licensed premises within the Province?
2. If so, what action has been taken to investigate or to remedy such conditions?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Consulted and received valuable advice from H. E. Young, Esq., M.D., Provincial Health Officer, and J. F. C. Vance, Esq., City Analyst, Vancouver, B.C., resulting in detailed instructions being sent by the Board to each holder of a beer licence and a veterans' club licence. Copies of said instructions were sent to all Medical Health Officers in the Province by the Provincial Health Officer, with instructions to exercise their rights and to acquaint themselves with conditions existing within their respective districts."

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

1. Have members of the Provincial Police been sent to the plant of Bloedel, Stewart & Welch, Burnaby Road, Vancouver?
2. If yes, how many?
3. If yes, at whose request?

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

"1, 2, and 3. It is not in the public interest to furnish the information requested."

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

1. Was Oscar C. Bass, K.C., Deputy Attorney-General?
2. If so, how long did he hold such position?
3. Is the said Oscar C. Bass, K.C., now Deputy Attorney-General?
4. If not, who is Deputy Attorney-General?
5. If the said Oscar C. Bass, K.C., is not now Deputy Attorney-General, did he voluntarily tender his resignation from the office, or was it intimated to him that his resignation was desired?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. From November 22nd, 1928, to October 31st, 1934.

"3. No.

"4. Colonel E. Pepler.

"5. Resignation was accepted."

Mr. *Connell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Did D. S. Boyd, homesteader, of Dunster, B.C., pay to the Government royalty of \$8 per car on thirty-seven cars of fence-posts between 1927 and 1933?

2. Has Mr. Boyd made application for a refund of royalties paid, on the ground of ignorance of the amendment to the "Forestry Act," chapter 23, section 3, page 71, 1927, and his consequent failure to apply for a permit?

3. Has his application been acceded to?

4. If not, why not?

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

"1. D. S. Boyd paid \$300.25 royalty on thirty-eight cars.

"2. Yes.

"3. No.

"4. No authority."

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

1. Was there any person, since November 15th, 1933, appointed to the position of Assistant to the Premier?

2. If so, what was the name of such person?

3. Is there any person occupying such office now; if so, what is his or her name?

4. Did the Assistant to the Premier have an office in the Parliament Buildings?

5. If so, was any decorating done to the office before being occupied by the Assistant to the Premier?

6. If any decorating was done, what did it consist of, and what did it cost?

7. Was any furniture or carpets purchased for the office; and, if so, what did it consist of, and what was the cost of each article purchased?

8. Was any clerical help given to the said Assistant to the Premier; and, if so, what are their names and the salary of each?

9. What were, or are, the duties of the said Assistant to the Premier?

10. What amounts have been paid (a) in salary, (b) in expenses, travelling or otherwise, to the said Assistant to the Premier?

11. Have all expenses been paid; and, if not, what sum is still owing?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. S. F. M. Moodie.

"3. No.

"4. Yes.

"5. No.

"6. Answered by No. 5.

"7. Yes. Typewriting-desk, \$85; lamp, \$8.58; cushion, \$4.50; pedestals, \$20.70; rug, \$7.50; carpet-felt in place, \$24; four filing-cabinets, \$122.58; one typewriter, \$145.

"8. Secretary, \$86.40 per month; stenographer, \$62.40 per month.

"9. Assisting in work of Premier's Office.

"10. (a) \$219.50 per month, total \$2,304.75; (b) travelling expenses, \$1,371.95.

"11. 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 5.59 p.m.

## Thursday, February 21st, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the following papers:—

Annual Report of the Department of Welfare for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

Report and Financial Statement under the "Mothers' Pensions Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

Annual Report of the Tranquille Sanatorium for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

Annual Report of the King's Printer for the Year ended March 31st, 1934.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments respecting the Operation of Motor-vehicles," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 21st, 1935.*

*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. 12) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments respecting the Operation of Motor-vehicles," 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. *Sloan* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 20th, 1935.*

*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. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal 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. *CConnell* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Has the Government received a petition from the taxpayers of Golden and district concerning the dismissal of H. G. Moore, Provincial Assessor?
2. If so, what action does the Government contemplate thereon?

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

- "1. Yes.  
"2. None."

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

1. Has a protest been received from, or on behalf of, a number of citizens of Merritt against certain provisions of section 6, "City of Merritt Relief Act, 1934," and requesting certain amendments to the Act relative to the provisions of this section.
2. If so, what action (if any) has been taken by the Government with reference thereto?
3. If not yet done, does the Government intend to take action during the present Session of this Legislature?
4. Has the said Henry Clemons Meeker, his heirs, successors, or assigns, referred to in section 6 of the aforementioned Act, yet exercised the option of purchase contained within that section?

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

- "1. Yes.  
"2. None.  
"3. No.  
"4. No information."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.43 p.m.

Friday, February 22nd, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. R. Lancaster*.

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

The debate continued.  
Motion agreed to.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Right-of-way of the Dolly Varden Mines Railway," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 22nd, 1935.*

*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. 16) intituled "An Act respecting the Right-of-way of the Dolly Varden Mines Railway," 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 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. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act respecting the Disposal by Destruction or otherwise of Valueless Public Documents."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the City of Prince George."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the Corporation of the City of Port Alberni."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting the City of Vancouver."

On the motion of Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Pharmacy and the Regulation of the Sale and Use of Poisons and Drugs."

On the motion of Mr. *H. E. Winch*—Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate 'An Act relating to Trade-unions.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act.'"

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 22nd, 1935.*

*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. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 22nd, 1935.*

*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. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Preliminary Report on the Mineral Industry of British Columbia for the Year 1934.

Summary and Review of the Mineral Industry of British Columbia for the Six Months ended June 30th, 1934.

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for the year ended December 31st, 1934.

By the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*—

Report pursuant to "Public Works Act Amendment Act, 1930."

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What is the area covered by the Douglas Reserve?
2. (a.) What is the acreage of timber land offered to the Government of British Columbia within the boundaries of the reserve? (b.) What is the price asked by the owners for the timber? Is it by the thousand F.B.M. or a lump sum?
3. (a.) What amount of privately owned area which has been logged and burnt over does the Government intend to take over? (b.) Is it the intention of the Government to cancel Government charges in order to obtain this timber land? (c.) Are these charges in the form of rentals, stumpage, or royalties?
4. (a.) What company logged part of the area covered by the Douglas Reserve? (b.) What number of relief-men were housed in the camps of that company? (c.) What amount of money was paid to that company for that accommodation?
5. What was the total amount of timber removed from Lot No. 18, Coast Range 1, Port Neville, Log-mark T 11?
6. (a.) What was the total amount of timber removed from Limit No. 77? (b.) How much royalty per 1,000 F.B.M. was paid on this timber?

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

- " 1. 696 square miles.
- " 2. (a) No offers; (b) see (a).
- " 3. (a) No intentions at present; (b) and (c) see (a).
- " 4. (a) The following companies: Thompsen & Clark Timber Co., Ltd.; Weaver Lake Log Co., Ltd.; Stoltz Manufacturing Co., Ltd.; Stave Falls Lumber Co., Ltd.; and Thompson, McDonald & McDonald, Ltd.; (b) and (c) Department has no information.
- " 5. 1,684,724 board-feet.
- " 6. (a) 9,413,878 board-feet; (b) 50 cents."

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

1. Are breweries now selling their product to the Liquor Control Board on a quota basis?
2. What price per barrel is the Liquor Control Board paying the breweries for their beer?
3. At what price per barrel is the Liquor Control Board charging the licensed premises for beer?
4. Do orders by licensed premises for beer purchases go through a central agency?
5. If so, who set up said agency?
6. If so, who controls said agency?

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

" 1. No information. The Pacific Brewers Agents, Ltd., and individual breweries distribute beer purchased from them pursuant to instructions from the Board.

" 2. Draught beer, \$17.60 per barrel, \$8.80 per half-barrel, and \$4.40 per quarter-barrel; bottled beer, \$14.80 per barrel (pints) of 10 dozen bottles and \$14.80 per barrel (quarts) of 6 dozen bottles.

" 3. Draught beer, \$23 per barrel, \$11.50 per half-barrel, and \$5.75 per quarter-barrel f.o.b. brewery point; bottled beer, at brewery points, \$17.50 per barrel of 10 dozen pints and \$18 per barrel of 6 dozen quarts. At other points freight and cartage charges are added to the above-mentioned prices.

4, 5, and 6. During the months of August and September, 1932, certain beer licensees appointed the B.C. Hotels' Association their agent, with the written request to forward their requisitions for beer to the Liquor Control Board through that organization."

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

1. Has the Department of Industries made or guaranteed any loans to any persons or companies in the Province since November 15th, 1933; and, if so, to whom?
2. If yes, what amounts have been granted or guaranteed to each person or company, the terms of each loan, and the rate of interest in each case?
3. What security for each advance has been received by the Department?

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

" 1. Yes. Guaranteed bank loans to the following companies: White Pine Lumber Co., Ltd., Nakusp, B.C.; Regal Fruit Products, Ltd., Summerland, B.C.; and Comox Valley Cannery, Courtenay, B.C.

" 2. The sum of \$9,800 to the White Pine Lumber Co., Ltd.; said sum advanced against warehouse receipts on logs and lumber; the whole amount to be repaid out of proceeds received by the bank from time to time from sale of lumber covered by warehouse receipts. Interest at the rate of 6 per cent. Said loan is now reduced to the sum of \$6,337.33. The sum of \$6,000 to the Regal Fruit Products, Ltd., the bank taking as security for the said loan under section 88 of the 'Bank Act' all stock, raw, processed, or in course of processing by the company in connection with the season's pack. The repayment of same to be made by the bank applying all proceeds from sale of company's products against the loan. Interest at the rate of 6 per cent. Said loan was retired in full on January 9th, 1935. The sum of \$5,000 to the Comox Valley Cannery, the bank taking as security for the loan under section 88 of the 'Bank Act' the entire 1934 pack of fruit and vegetables, the repayment of same to be made by the bank applying all proceeds from the sale of the company's products against said loan. Interest at the rate of 6 per cent. Said loan is now reduced to the sum of \$120.

" 3. Reference, White Pine Lumber Co., Ltd.; security, chattel mortgage on plant, machinery, and equipment. Reference, Regal Fruit Products, Ltd.; security, chattel mortgage on

machinery and equipment. Reference, Comox Valley Cannery; security, mortgage on property, chattel mortgage on machinery and equipment."

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

1. Is Mr. Thos. Reid, M.P., retained by the Province as Provincial Representative in connection with freight-rates or marketing questions, or either?
2. If yes, is he being paid as such either by salary or expenses?
3. Has he been paid any sums; and, if yes, how much, and on what basis?
4. If yes, who fixed the amount?
5. What results have been accomplished, if any?
6. If yes, did the said Thos. Reid, M.P., make the suggestion leading to such representation or did the suggestion come from the Government?
7. Was there any arrangement or understanding arrived at beforehand between the said Thos. Reid and the Government, or any member of the Government, as to his remuneration?
8. Was there any correspondence relative thereto?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Expenses.
- "3. \$380; procuring information, compiling data, stenographic services, telegrams, travelling and hotel expenses.
- "4. Answered by No. 3.
- "5. Case under appeal to Privy Council.
- "6. Irrelevant.
- "7. No.
- "8. No."

*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 4.48 p.m.

## Monday, February 25th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Hanna*, Deputy Speaker, took the chair, pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by Mr. Deputy Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, it was *Resolved*,—  
That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1933-34 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, it was *Resolved*,—  
That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, it was *Resolved*,—  
That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose.

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—31.

Messieurs

<i>King</i>	<i>Burns</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>	<i>Putnam</i>
<i>Asselstine</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Manson</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>McDonald, A.</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>	<i>Hart</i>	<i>McKeen</i>
<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>MacPherson, F. M.</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>McPherson, D.</i>	<i>Sloan</i>	<i>Pearson</i>
<i>MacKay</i>	<i>Leary</i>	<i>Weir</i>	<i>Gray</i>
<i>Planta</i>	<i>Gillis</i>	<i>Tupper</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.</i>
<i>Savage</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>	<i>Carson</i>	

NAYS—8.

Messieurs

<i>Bakewell</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>
<i>Swaites</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Connell</i>	<i>Steeves, Mrs.</i>

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Gray, Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act respecting the Right-of-way of the Dolly Varden Mines Railway."

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the City of Prince George."

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the Corporation of the City of Port Alberni."

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting the City of Vancouver."

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act.'"

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act.'"

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* rose to a point of order with reference to the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Swaites*:—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works of all correspondence since 1933 between the Provincial Government and the Dominion Government and with any municipal authorities, engineers, or any other parties, and all reports of any nature relating to the proposed toll-bridge at or near New Westminster.

Mr. Deputy Speaker ruled the notice of motion out of order, on the ground that it anticipates a matter which the Government has already intimated it is going to deal with during the present Session.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* rose to a point of order with reference to the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *H. E. Winch*:—

That an Order of the House be granted for Returns to be made by the Prime Minister of all reports made by Rod Ross Napier, appointed under Order in Council No. 956, approved June 26th, 1929, to act as Sole Commissioner to inquire into and report upon the state and manage-

ment of the business of all departments, and of every branch and institution of the Executive Government of British Columbia, within or connected therewith.

Mr. Deputy Speaker ruled the notice of motion out of order, sustaining Hon. Mr. *Pattullo's* objection that it was not in the public interest to furnish the Returns proposed to be moved for.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, it was *Resolved*,—

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

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

That this House appoint a Special Committee for the purpose of examining the "Mothers' Pensions Act," of making inquiries into the methods of administration of mothers' pensions under this Act, and of bringing in recommendations for amendments to the Act and changes in the regulations and methods of administration, if, in the opinion of such a Special Committee, these amendments and changes are necessary to secure a more equitable and efficient functioning of the Mothers' Pensions Service.

A debate arose.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented the following papers:—

Annual Report of the Provincial Game Commissioner for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

Annual Report of the Official Guardian for the Year ended December 31st, 1934.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* rose to a point of order with regard to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *H. E. Winch*:—

1. Were Orders in Council approved in 1929 setting forth wage increases for junior clerks and stenographers?
2. If yes, have these increases been granted?
3. If not granted, is it the intention of the Government to compensate the employees affected for moneys morally due by the regulations of said Orders in Council?
4. If not, why not?
5. Have said Orders in Council ever been rescinded?

Mr. Deputy Speaker ruled question 3 out of order, on the ground that it contained a matter for argument, and *Ordered* the series of questions dropped from the Order Paper.

In reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Bruhn*, the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson* presented a Return:—

1. What insurance (if any) is carried on the Parliament Buildings?
2. In what companies is such insurance carried, and how is such insurance divided among such companies?
3. What is the amount of insurance carried by each such company?
4. Through what agent and agency was such insurance placed?
5. What is the name or names of such agent or agents?
6. When was such insurance placed?
7. For what length of time are such policies in force?
8. What was the premium for each such policy?
9. To whom was such premium or premiums paid?
10. When were the Parliament Buildings last insured with a recognized insurance company?

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

1. Did any Vancouver employers request exemptions under the "Interpretation Act"?
2. If so, how many, classification of industry, and under what condition?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Have any exemptions been granted to certain Vancouver employers under the "Hours of Work Act"?

2. If so, how many, and under what conditions?

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

"1. No. Only temporary permits for limited periods to meet emergent situations granted by the Board after due investigation on condition that employees be paid for overtime.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. *H. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Is it the intention of the Provincial Government to investigate conditions and administration of relief camps in British Columbia?

2. If not, why not?

3. Is it the intention of the Provincial Government to take action during 1935 to abolish relief camps in British Columbia?

4. If not, why not?

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

"1. No.

"2. No jurisdiction.

"3. The Provincial Government has been continuously insistent upon a programme to provide work at reasonable wages.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

Mr. *Bakewell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Will assistance be given to re-establish those families whose property was devastated by the flood at Hagensborg last November?

2. Is river-protection work on the Bella Coola River to be undertaken immediately in order to avoid a recurrence of the Hagensborg flood?

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

"1. Investigations made do not indicate damage of nature to require re-establishment.

"2. No river-protection work on the Bella Coola River would avoid a recurrence of the Hagensborg flooding. Work is being undertaken here immediately to, as far as possible, protect public works in the neighbourhood from future damage by floods."

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

1. Were any men employed by the Department in the Delta Riding during 1934 in addition to those regularly employed on maintenance-work?

2. If so, how many?

3. Were all such extra men registered recipients of relief?

4. If not, how many were not registered recipients of relief?

5. Through what agency or agencies were they employed?

6. Were the municipal authorities, in the districts concerned, consulted or co-operated with in this matter?

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

"1. Ordinary labour is not regularly employed on maintenance-work.

"2 to 6. See answer to No. 1."

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

1. Were any public funds expended by the late Government in constructing a new road from Albas to Celista Creek or Humamilt Lake?

2. If yes, what did such construction consist of?

3. If yes, what was the cost of said construction?

4. If yes, what is the length of this road?

5. Have any funds been expended upon this road by any private individual or company?

The Hon. Mr. MacPherson replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. New construction, 2 miles; reconstruction, 4 miles.

"3. Expended by Department, \$1,031.78 on construction and \$358.10 on repairs and improvements.

"4. Nine miles.

"5. Yes."

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

1. Did the Department of Public Works since November 15th, 1933, purchase any power-shovels?

2. If so, how many such shovels were purchased?

3. From whom were such shovels purchased?

4. What was the price paid for each shovel so purchased?

5. Of what capacity are such shovels?

6. Where were the shovels manufactured?

7. In what electoral districts were such shovels used?

The Hon. Mr. MacPherson replied as follows:—

"1. No.

"2 to 7. See answer to question No. 1."

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

1. Was any fire or accident insurance carried by the Provincial Government on buildings, fixtures, or equipment in the four years preceding 1934?

2. If so, what were the amounts of the policies?

3. If so, what amounts were paid by the insuring companies in respect to claims?

4. If not, what was the extent of damage done by fire or accident to Provincial Government buildings, fixtures, and equipment in the four years preceding 1934?

5. Did the Provincial Government take out fire or accident insurance on Provincial buildings, fixtures, or equipment in 1934?

6. Did the Provincial Government take out any insurance on Provincial cars in 1934?

7. If so, what was the cost of said policies?

8. If so, with what insurance companies were the policies placed?

The Hon. Mr. MacPherson replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Eburne Bridge, fire, \$3,000; ferry-steamer 'Agassiz' hull and boilers, \$50,000; ferry-steamer 'Eena,' hull and boilers, \$25,000; Government House and contents, fire, \$138,000.

"3. Nil.

"4. See answer to No. 1.

"5. Yes.

"6. Yes.

"7. Blanket insurance covering third party personal liability and passenger hazard on passenger-cars and on trucks under 2 tons rated capacity: 735 now covered; cost, \$9,146.37.

"8. Hudson Bay Insurance Company."

*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 3.59 p.m.

## Tuesday, February 26th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Hanna*, Deputy Speaker, took the chair, pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by Mr. Deputy Speaker.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Weekly Half-holiday Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, and *Ordered* to be read a third time at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act respecting the Right-of-way of the Dolly Varden Mines Railway."

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the City of Prince George."

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the Corporation of the City of Port Alberni."

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting the City of Vancouver."

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act.'"

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam."

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 25th, 1935.*



*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. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" 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. *Gray* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dewdney Dyking District Relief Act, 1929,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 25th, 1935.*

*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. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dewdney Dyking District Relief Act, 1929,'" 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. *Gray* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 25th, 1935.*

*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. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments for the Protection of certain Animals and Birds," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 26th, 1935.*

*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. 24) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments for the Protection of certain Animals and Birds," 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. *Pattullo* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify and relieve Edward Dodsley Barrow respecting the Receipt of certain Moneys from the Associated Growers of British Columbia, Limited, while a Member of the Legislative Assembly," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 22nd, 1935.*

*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. 6) intituled "An Act to indemnify and relieve Edward Dodsley Barrow respecting the Receipt of certain Moneys from the Associated Growers of British Columbia, Limited, while a Member of the Legislative Assembly," 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. *CConnell* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Did the former Conservative Government appoint a Commissioner to inquire into the operation of the Liquor Control Board?
2. If yes, who was appointed?
3. Did he conduct an investigation of any kind?
4. What remuneration did he receive?
5. What was the total cost of the inquiry?
6. Was a report ever presented to the Government or to the Legislature?
7. If not, why not?

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

"1 to 7. See Journals of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, 1931, page 127."

Mr. *Anscomb* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:—

What is the total amount held of the following securities by the Workmen's Compensation Board, giving details in each case: (a) Bonds, debentures, or other securities issued by the District Municipality of Burnaby; (b) bonds, debentures, or other securities issued by the City Municipality of North Vancouver; (c) bonds, debentures, or other securities issued by the District Municipality of North Vancouver; (d) bonds, debentures, or other securities issued by the City of Prince Rupert; (e) bonds, debentures, or other securities issued by the City of Merritt; (f) bonds, debentures, or other securities issued by the City of Port Coquitlam?

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

"The Workmen's Compensation Board securities held as at February 21st, 1935, as follows:—

"Issued by District Municipality of Burnaby: District Municipality of Burnaby 5% bonds, due September 30th, 1945, \$117,000; District Municipality of Burnaby 5% bonds, due December 31st, 1946, \$21,000; District Municipality of Burnaby 4½% bonds, due December 31st, 1947, \$50,000; District Municipality of Burnaby 5% bonds, due October 31st, 1958, \$5,000; District Municipality of Burnaby 5% bonds, due January 23rd, 1960, \$6,000; total, \$199,000.

"Issued by City Municipality of North Vancouver: City Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due June 15th, 1946, \$18,436; City Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due August 15th, 1948, \$50,000; City Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due June 15th, 1949, \$35,000; City Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due June 15th, 1951, \$31,551; City Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due April 15th, 1957, \$8,500; City Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due June 1st, 1958, \$25,000; City Municipality of North Vancouver (Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co.) 6% bonds, due January 10th, 1973, \$120,222; City Municipality of North Vancouver (Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co.) 6% bonds, due September 1st, 1973, \$40,000; total, \$328,709.

"Issued by District Municipality of North Vancouver: District Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due March 1st, 1946, \$14,000; District Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due August 1st, 1947, \$86,810; District Municipality of North Vancouver 5% bonds, due March 1st, 1958, \$30,000; District Municipality of North Vancouver (Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Co.) 6% bonds, due September 1st, 1973, total, \$135,810.

"Issued by City of Prince Rupert: City of Prince Rupert 6% bonds, due April 1st, 1942, \$3,000; City of Prince Rupert 5% bonds, due January 2nd, 1951, \$64,000; City of Prince Rupert 5% bonds, due February 1st, 1952, \$69,000; total, \$136,000.

"Issued by City of Merritt: None.

"Issued by City of Port Coquitlam: None."

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

1. Has Dr. Alfred Thompson, Vancouver, been employed by the Welfare Department during the years 1931-34, inclusive?

2. If so, what services has he performed?

3. If so employed, what amounts have been paid by the Department during the financial years 1931-32, 1932-33, and 1933-34?

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

"1. From January, 1933, to date.

"2. Examination of incapacitated husbands and also mothers requiring such examination.

"3. January, 1933, to March 31st, 1933, \$288.09; April, 1933, to March 31st, 1934, \$1,140.48; April, 1934, to February, 1935, \$1,045.44; total, \$2,474.01."

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

1. Has the Prime Minister received communications from W. H. MacKay, Hagensborg, B.C., regarding the situation around Hagensborg as the result of the flood of October, 1934?

2. If yes, has W. H. MacKay been informed of the way in which the Government intends to relieve the situation?

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

"1 and 2. Yes. The Government has been carrying on investigations of flood damage and proposes to carry out protection-work."

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

1. How many visits has the Hon. the Premier made to Ottawa since assuming office?
2. By whom was he accompanied on each occasion?
3. What were the expenses of each person, including the Premier?
4. What was the period of absence from the Province in each case?
5. What was accomplished by these visits?

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

"1. Three.

"2. Accompanied on occasions by the Minister of Finance, Provincial Secretary, Attorney-General, Minister of Labour, J. V. Fisher, E. W. Griffith, Major S. F. M. Moodie, and R. C. Cartwright.

"3 and 4. Information will appear in Public Accounts in due course.

"5. Numerous things; amongst them recognition of British Columbia's claim for Better Terms and promise of interim payment of \$750,000 for present fiscal year on account of annual subsidy."

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

1. Who was Health Officer in the Creston District prior to November 15th, 1933?
2. How long has he served in this capacity?
3. Has a change been made; and, if so, what were the reasons therefor?
4. Who is the present incumbent?
5. How long has the present incumbent been in the Province?

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

"1. Dr. G. B. Henderson.

"2. From April 6th, 1910, to March 16th, 1934.

"3. Yes; in the public interest.

"4. Dr. Jos. Olivier.

"5. Not known; he has been registered to practise medicine in British Columbia since July 31st, 1930."

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

1. Are female investigators employed by the Welfare Department?
2. If yes, how many are married women, widows, or spinsters, respectively?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Two married women, two widows, and five spinsters."

Mrs. *Steeves* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. Are Government grants given to schools for library purposes?
2. If yes, give amount granted for each year since inception of such grant.
- 3A. If yes, are School Boards permitted to use any portion of such library grants to supply children of indigent parents with text-books?
- 3B. If so, does the Government intend to permit the continuance of this policy?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Library grants, fiscal years, and amounts as follows: 1910-11, \$164.30; 1911-12, \$90.40; 1912-13, \$391.81; 1913-14, \$1,058.23; 1914-15, \$626.38; 1915-16, \$388.54; 1916-17, \$221.39; 1917-18, \$321.30; 1918-19, \$462.48; 1919-20, \$425.99; 1920-21, \$967.35; 1921-22, \$1,407.67; 1922-23, \$1,305.69; 1923-24, \$1,788.42; 1924-25, \$2,371.58; 1925-26, \$2,878.33; 1926-27, \$3,329.89; 1927-28, \$3,720.87; 1928-29, \$3,482.39; 1929-30, \$3,407; 1930-31, \$2,284.30; 1931-32, \$2,459.31; 1932-33, nil; 1933-34, nil; 1934-35, \$490.81 (to date).

"3A and 3B. Before a grant for school library books is made by the Department of Education the Board of School Trustees concerned must send in to the Department receipts in duplicate covering the purchase of school library books. A cheque is then sent to the Board for 50 per cent. of the amount expended, provided that our annual grant to a Board does not exceed

§50. Under this procedure the full amount of the Department's grant must be expended by the Board on school library books before the grant is received by the Board from this Department."

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

1. Is a Provincial Government class in physical training being held in the Hastings School at Franklin and Clinton Streets, Vancouver?
2. If yes, who is the instructor?
3. What are his qualifications?
4. Does any phase of military training form part of these instructions?
5. If yes, for what reasons?

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

"1. Yes. Physical-training classes for youths over school age are being held at eighteen centres in the Province, of which seven are in Vancouver. Hastings School is one of these centres.

"2. James MacLean, assisted by Albert Anderson.

"3. James MacLean is a former physical director of the Boys' Industrial Home and was wrestling champion of British Columbia in 1926. He was recommended by Frank Filmer, Physical Director, Y.M.C.A., as an able instructor in physical-training and apparatus work. He has been connected with boys' work in Vancouver for several years. Albert Anderson was for some years leader of unemployed groups in physical education at the Y.M.C.A., Vancouver; trainer and manager of the Vancouver Sailors of the Wednesday League; manager of the Y.M.C.A. Football League; also highly recommended by Mr. Filmer.

"4. No.

"5. Answered by No. 4."

*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 3.50 p.m.

## Wednesday, February 27th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Hanna*, Deputy Speaker, took the chair, pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by the Rev. *Arthur deB. Owen*.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented the Report of the Comptroller-General, pursuant to the provisions of the "Audit Act," chapter 19, R.S.B.C. 1924.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1936:

Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1935:

Schedule A. Sums granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1934, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House.*

*February 26th, 1935.*

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Construction of a Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 26th, 1935.*

*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. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Construction of a Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments regulating the Working of Metalliferous Mines, Quarries, and Metallurgical Works," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 27th, 1935.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments regulating the Working of Metalliferous Mines, Quarries, and Metallurgical Works," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act respecting the Right-of-way of the Dolly Varden Mines Railway."

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the City of Prince George."

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to validate a certain By-law of the Corporation of the City of Port Alberni."

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting the City of Vancouver."

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act.'"

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

1. Is a Mr. Burpee employed by the Public Works Department?
2. If so, has he been engaged in a survey of a farm half a mile west of the C.P.R. Depot at Golden?
3. If yes, what is the purpose of said survey?
4. If yes, who is the owner of said farm?

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

"1. No.

"2. No.

"3 and 4. See answer to No. 2."

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

1. Did the Government of the Dominion of Canada in the year 1934 make to the Province of British Columbia a gift, or loan, or advance of \$1,000,000 to be used in the construction of, or maintenance of, public works?
2. If so, give the amounts from the said gift, loan, or advance expended to date in each electoral district.

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

"1. Yes; a loan to enable British Columbia to undertake a programme of Provincial public works.

"2. Expended up to January 31st, 1935: Alberni-Nanaimo, \$18,494.16; Atlin, \$14,773; Burnaby, \$15,332.57; Cariboo, \$47,627.52; Chilliwack, \$7,371.27; Columbia, \$14,014; Comox, \$15,989; Cowichan-Newcastle, \$10,616.98; Cranbrook, \$28,591.14; Delta, \$17,304.16; Dewdney, \$16,139.43; Esquimalt, \$15,472.92; Fernie, \$29,976.73; Fort George, \$27,630.76; Grand Forks, \$18,099.85; The Islands, \$7,123.28; Kamloops, \$23,764.83; Kaslo-Slocan, \$19,551.56; Lillooet, \$27,145.43; Mackenzie, \$2,543.78; Nelson-Creston, \$28,103.15; New Westminster, \$9,852.03; North Okanagan, \$18,829; North Vancouver, \$4,632.54; Omineca, \$18,000; Peace River, \$17,867.48; Prince Rupert, \$24,997.32; Revelstoke, \$13,370; Rossland-Trail, \$22,729.95; Saanich, \$3,441.24; Salmon Arm, \$13,500; Similkameen, \$22,565.50; Skeena, \$18,223.12; South Okanagan, \$11,672.82; Vancouver-Point Grey, \$5,945.70; Victoria, \$5,701.49; Yale, \$32,085."

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

1. Has the Minister received a petition from the residents of Egmont regarding road-development work in that area?
2. If yes, what action is being taken?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Report from field official has been called for."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.22 p.m.

## Thursday, February 28th, 1935.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. Stevenson*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company Act, 1934,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company Act, 1934,'" 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. *Pattullo* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.



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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

*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. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act, 1934,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act, 1934,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Training of Apprentices," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act respecting the Training of Apprentices," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Inquiries Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments respecting the Adoption of Children," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*February 28th, 1935.*

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments respecting the Adoption of Children," 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 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. *Gray*—Bill (No. 39) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘City of Armstrong Incorporation Act, 1913.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—Bill (No. 33) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Arrest and Imprisonment for Debt Act.’”

Bill (No. 2) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Forest Act’” was read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 18) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Weekly Half-holiday Act.’”

Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905.’”

Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Dewdney Dyking District Relief Act, 1929.’”

Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act.’”

Bill (No. 6) intituled “An Act to indemnify and relieve Edward Dodsley Barrow respecting the Receipt of certain Moneys from the Associated Growers of British Columbia, Limited, while a Member of the Legislative Assembly.”

Bill (No. 27) intituled “An Act to amend and consolidate the Enactments regulating the Working of Metalliferous Mines, Quarries, and Metallurgical Works.”

Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Savings and Loan Associations Act.’”

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

1. How many persons employed by the Provincial Government were discharged during the year 1934?
2. Were any persons so discharged asked for their resignations?
3. If so, how many?
4. Were any persons appointed to Provincial positions during the year 1934?
5. If so, how many?

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

“1. (a) Discharged, 20; (b) resigned, 44; (c) superannuated, 20; (d) died, 11.

“2. In a number of cases.

“3. See answer to question No. 2.

“4. Yes.

“5. Permanent appointments, 73.”

Mr. *CConnell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Has an island in the Fort Steele District been sold by the Government to a man named Thomas Fulton?
2. If yes, what price was paid for the said island?
3. What is the approximate acreage of said island?

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

“1. Yes, as part of a surveyed lot forfeited for taxes.

“2. \$2.50 per acre.

“3. Twenty-five acres less 3.16 acres right-of-way, Kootenay Central Railway.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.07 p.m.