

## REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 15th, 1960.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee on Trading Stamps begs leave to report as follows:—

Pursuant to motion on February 2nd, 1960, your Committee was appointed to examine and inquire into the subject of the use of trading stamps in connection with marketing of consumer goods in the Province of British Columbia.

The terms of reference of your Committee were as follows:—

Therefore be it Resolved, That a Special Committee of this House be appointed to examine and inquire into the subject of the use of trading stamps in connection with the marketing of consumer goods in the Province and to report to the Legislature its observations thereon and its recommendations with regard to the public policy to be adopted with reference to such use, the desirability of legislation within the competence of the Province being enacted with respect thereto, and, if it is recommended that legislation be enacted, the proposed context of the legislation.

Your Committee immediately became aware that a large number of organizations and individuals were concerned about the question of the use of trading stamps. As a result, the Committee heard submissions or were presented with submissions from the following individuals and organizations: Automotive Retailers' Association, Better Business Bureau, British Columbia Co-operative Unions, British Columbia Co-operative Wholesalers Society, British Columbia Federation of Labour, Burnaby 5¢ to \$1.00 Ltd., Canadian Association of Consumers, Canadian Association of Stamp Companies, Co-operative Women's Guilds of British Columbia, George C. Henderson Company Limited, Home Oil Distributors Limited, Low Cost Food Markets, Donald H. McKay, Pay Less Stores, Photolec Limited, The Retail Merchants' Association of Canada, B.C. Incorporated, Sperry & Hutchinson Company, Vancouver Board of Trade, Vancouver and District Labour Council, Victoria Chamber of Commerce, Victoria Community Grocers Co-operative Association, Washer Parts and Service Company Limited.

The Committee first addressed itself to the problem of determining the legislative background associated with the use of trading stamps.

1. The Committee discovered that few jurisdictions have placed a ban upon trading stamps through the use of legislation.

2. Several jurisdictions have indicated through the Departments of the Attorneys-General of the Provinces concerned that trading stamps are not welcome.

3. The Minister of Justice, Canada, has indicated the degree of Provincial responsibility which is applicable to the trading stamp situation as follows: If a trading stamp scheme in its nature or operation comes within any of the fields which are proper for inclusion in the criminal law, it would be the responsibility of the Dominion Parliament to enact any necessary legislation to deal with the situation. In so far, however, as such claims are merely merchandising devices and relate exclusively to the terms and conditions upon which a customer buys and a merchant sells his goods, then their regulation or prohibition becomes a matter within the field of contract or detailed regulation of trade which is within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Provincial legislators. From this point of view the only authorities who can control, regulate, or abolish trading stamps as such are the Provincial legislators acting under their exclusive jurisdiction over the laws relating to such matters as contract and the sale of goods.

4. Several of the States of the United States of America have various methods of inhibiting the use of trading stamps through punitive taxation levies.

5. The problem has been acted upon by Alberta and Saskatchewan. The operative features of the legislation in both Alberta and Saskatchewan involves an indirect prohibition on trading stamps and other retail promotional devices through Provincial licensing procedures.

The Committee became satisfied after much diligent study that the following observations might usefully be made on the subject of trading stamps:—

- (1) The cost of the stamp plans must inevitably be borne by either the consumer or the retailer. Although promoters of trading stamps and opposition groups to trading stamps would disagree that the cost of a stamp plan is borne by the consumer, both agree that stamp plans do increase costs by from 2 to 4 per cent. There is ample evidence to establish the fact that trading stamp plans create absolutely no new business in any trading area although there may be a momentary advantage enjoyed by the firm initiating the scheme. Therefore, in the long run, the admitted increase of costs must be borne by either the retailer or the consumer in the trading area involved in the trading stamp business.
- (2) Stamp plans once initiated by a retailer are difficult to discontinue.
- (3) Stamp plans are a form of sales promotion which can be quickly neutralized by a competitor's stamp plan and, therefore, stamp plan saturation results. Additional advertising costs then become an important factor in the trading area involved. Promoting of the stamp plan then becomes the emphasized feature of advertising and information and emphasis on price and quality diminishes.
- (4) All stamp plans create problems in handling and book-keeping for the retailer.
- (5) A stamp plan causes a retailer to emphasize the promotional gimmick at the expense of emphasizing merchandise values, stores services and facilities.
- (6) Stamp plans deter a retailer from the pursuit of natural competition.
- (7) The stamp plan introduces the third party between the customer and the retailer. This third party group, the trading stamp company, uses established retail machinery to operate a highly profitable business, the cost of which must be borne by the consumer or the retailer.
- (8) The value of premiums offered by trading stamp companies represents an insignificant percentage of the value of purchases required to obtain the premium.

While trading stamp plans seem to have focused attention on the sales promotion methods now in use, the Committee feels that many sales promotion methods serve only to create a distraction from the serious and vital business of distributing goods.

The Committee feels that the "gimmick should never become more important than the two real values of goods, that is, price and quality."

The Committee, therefore, recommends that the House consider the advisability of enacting legislation on the matter of trading stamps with somewhat the following text:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Trading Stamp Act."

2. (1) In this section "trading stamp" means any form of cash receipt, receipt, coupon, premium ticket, or other device designed or intended to be given to the purchaser of goods by the vendor thereof or on his behalf, and to represent a discount on the price of goods or a premium to the purchaser thereof, but does

not include (a) a trading stamp as defined in the Criminal Code or (b) an offer, endorsed by the manufacturer upon a wrapper or container in which goods are sold, of a premium or reward for the return of that wrapper or container to the manufacturer.

(2) Everyone who, by himself or his employee or agent, directly or indirectly, issues, gives, sells, or otherwise disposes of, or offers to issue, give, sell, or otherwise dispose of trading stamps to a merchant or dealer in goods for use in his business is guilty of an offence under this Act.

3. (1) In this section, "trading stamp" means any form of cash receipt, receipt, coupon, premium ticket, or other device designed or intended to be given to the purchaser of goods by the vendor thereof or on his behalf and to represent a discount on the price of goods or a premium to the purchaser thereof, but does not include an offer, endorsed by the manufacturer upon a wrapper or container in which goods are sold, of a premium or reward for the return of that wrapper or container to the manufacturer.

(2) An agreement made before the coming into force of this Act whereunder trading stamps are to be given, issued, sold, distributed, or otherwise dealt with in any manner is void from and after the coming into force of this Act.

(3) An agreement made after the coming into force of this Act whereunder trading stamps are to be given, issued, sold, distributed, or otherwise dealt with in any manner is void.

(4) This section is retroactive to the extent necessary to give full force and effect to its provisions.

*Provisions as to Constitutionality, Intent of Legislature.*

4. The purpose and intent of the Legislature is to confine the provisions of this Act within the competence of the Legislature, and all the provisions thereof shall be construed so as to give effect to such purpose and intent. If any provision or section is held or found to be beyond the powers of the Province, such provision or section shall be read distributively, and the provision or section so far as it deals with matters within the competence of the Legislature shall stand and be valid and operative, and shall have the same effect as if the provision or section had dealt with such matters exclusively; and the remaining provisions and sections of this Act shall not be deemed or held to be inoperative or *ultra vires*, but shall stand and be valid and operative, and shall have the same effect as if they had been originally enacted as separate and independent enactments and as the only provisions of the Act; and all the provisions of the Act that are within the powers of the Province shall remain in full force and effect, notwithstanding that some provisions are held to be *ultra vires*, the intention of the Legislature being to give separate and independent effect to the extent of its powers to every enactment and provision in the Act contained.

*Commencement.*

5. This Act shall come into force on a day to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor by his Proclamation.

DAN CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*

By leave of the House, the report was taken as read and received.

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

F. M. Ross,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act for the Validation of Assessments of Land and Improvements for the Year 1960," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 14th, 1960.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act for the Validation of Assessments of Land and Improvements for the Year 1960," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the City of Port Alberni By-law Validation Act, 1945, and respecting School Assessments," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 14th, 1960.*

*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. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the City of Port Alberni By-law Validation Act, 1945, and respecting School Assessments," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the Companies Act," enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 14th, 1960.*

(ENCLOSURE.)

Section 19: To add the following new section as section 19:—  
"19. Section 11 comes into force and effect on the 1st day of May, 1960."

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the amendments 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 proposed amendments to Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the Companies Act," a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 43).

Resolution reported.  
Report adopted.

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

F. M. Ross,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Act," enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 14th, 1960.*

(ENCLOSURE.)

Section 2: To strike out clause (a) and to substitute therefor the following:—

"(a) By inserting the following definition:—

"'Company' means a corporation as defined in the 'Interpretation Act':"

Section 6: To strike out section 6 and to substitute therefor the following:—

"6. Section 23 is amended

"(a) By striking out subsection (1) and substituting:—

"(1) In the case of every bill of sale which is registered under this Act and which subsists as security for an amount owing or in respect of a liability, a renewal statement and affidavit in respect thereof shall be registered in accordance with the requirements of this section within three years from the first date on which the bill of sale or a copy thereof was registered."

"(b) By striking out subsection (3) and substituting:—

"(3) The renewal statement and accompanying affidavit shall be registered by filing an original thereof with each Registrar in whose office the bill of sale or a copy thereof has been registered pursuant to the provisions of this Act."

“(c) By adding the following as subsections (7), (8), (9), and (10):—

“(7) Save as provided in subsections (8) and (9), this section does not apply to a bill of sale made by a company.

“(8) In the case of a bill of sale made by a company which was not required to be filed in the office of the Registrar of Companies or particulars of which were not required to be filed in the office of the Registrar of Companies, the renewal statement next falling due after the 1st day of May, 1960, shall be filed in the office of the Registrar of Companies and, save as provided in subsection (9), not with each Registrar in whose office the bill of sale or a copy thereof has been registered.

“(9) Where a bill of sale comprises a motor-vehicle, renewal statements in respect thereof shall in all cases be filed with the Superintendent of Motor-vehicles.

“(10) In the case of a bill of sale comprising a trailer or tractor, or both, made prior to the 1st day of May, 1960, and not filed in the office of the Superintendent of Motor-vehicles in respect of such trailer or tractor, or both, the renewal statement falling due next after the 1st day of May, 1960, and every subsequent renewal statement shall be filed in the Office of the Superintendent of Motor-vehicles in addition to the filing thereof with any other Registrar as required by this section.”

Section 21: To strike out section 21 and to substitute therefor the following:—

“21. (1) Part I of this Act comes into force and effect on the 1st day of May, 1960.

“(2) Part II of this Act comes into force and effect on a day to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor by his Proclamation.”

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and the amendments 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 proposed amendments to Bill (No. 47) intituled “An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Act,” a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 47).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

By leave of the House, the Hon. R. G. Williston (Minister of Lands and Forests) tabled the Report on Project III by His Honour Judge C. W. Morrow, Commissioner appointed pursuant to Order in Council No. 130, being advice to the Provincial Government on the question therein outlined.

Mrs. *Haggen* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following question:—

With reference to page 167 of the Annual Report of Mental Health Services, 1957, have the three additional social workers and one supervisor now been employed as recommended?

The Hon. E. C. F. *Martin* replied as follows:—

“It is assumed that the reference is to the recommendation on page 168; (a) Supervisor of Welfare—Grade 1 appointed November 1st, 1959; (b) one position of Social Worker—Grade 3 added to establishment on November 1st, 1959 (position filled); and (c) two positions of Social Worker—Grade 3 provided for in 1959/60 estimates (to be recruited).”

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

With reference to the \$25 supplementary allowance known as the Royal bonus provided for from Consolidated Revenue by Order in Council No. 1662, 1959:—

1. Did every old-age pensioner in receipt of an allowance under Vote 314 receive the Royal bonus?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, how many did not receive it and why was it withheld?

3. Did those old-age pensioners who received the bonus all receive the full amount of \$25?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, how many received less than \$25 and for what reason?

5. Was the full \$25 paid to all old-age pensioners in receipt of allowance under Vote 314 who were residents in such institutions as Provincial infirmaries, homes for the aged, nursing and boarding homes, hospitals or sanatoria?

6. If the answer to No. 5 is in the negative, (a) how many received less than \$25 and (b) how many, if any, did not receive any bonus?

7. Did every eligible recipient of Social Allowance under Vote 314 receive the full amount of Royal bonus?

8. If the answer to No. 7 is in the negative, (a) how many received less than the full amount and for what reason and (b) how many, if any, did not receive any bonus?

9. How many old-age pensioners were in receipt of a supplementary allowance under Vote 314 during the month of July, 1959, and what was the total amount paid to said pensioners by way of Royal bonus?

10. How many recipients of Social Allowance were there under Vote 314 during the month of July, 1959, and what was the total amount paid to them by way of Royal bonus?

11. Were any grants paid to children's aid societies as part of the Royal bonus and, if so, in what total amount?

12. What was the total amount paid out to eligible recipients by way of this bonus?

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

" 1. Yes; all who were carried on the rolls as at July 1st, 1959, and who were the responsibility of the Province of British Columbia and residing in British Columbia.

" 2. Answered by No. 1.

" 3. Yes; except those being cared for in Provincial institutions, where \$10 was paid as an additional comforts allowance on the recommendation of the respective superintendents of the institutions.

" 4. See answer to No. 3.

" 5. Yes.

" 6. Answered by No. 5.

" 7. Yes.

" 8. Answered by No. 7.

" 9. 33,762; see No. 12.

" 10. 33,135, including single persons, heads of families, and dependents; see No. 12.

" 11. Yes; \$23,065.

" 12. \$1,323,065."

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

With reference to tree-farm licences:—

1. Is stumpage paid by the licence-holder determined annually by negotiation with the Minister and, if not, how is it determined?

2. What factors are considered in determination of stumpage paid by licence-holders?

3. In the case of Licence No. 22, granted B.C. Forest Products and involving only the former Clayoquot Working Circle, what was average stumpage charged small operators in each year from 1950 to the time the working circle was transferred to B.C. Forest Products and what has been average stumpage paid by B.C. Forest Products on timber from former Clayoquot Working Circle since this firm acquired its licence?

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

“ 1 and 2. The Crown timber on tree-farm licences is appraised by the Forest Service in the same manner as Crown timber offered for sale under normal timber sale procedure, except that, in the case of the tree-farm licence, forestry costs are included as a part of the cost of production. The method of appraisal is described in detail on pages 456 to 461, inclusive, of the 1956 Report of the Royal Commission on Forestry and on pages 469 to 472, inclusive, forestry costs on tree-farm licences are discussed. Currently, the average forestry cost for tree-farm licences in the Vancouver Forest District is about 30 cents per 100 cubic feet.

“ 3. Complete details of the stumpage prices appraised for each cutting permit by species are published monthly in the statement of timber sales awarded. Copies are available to the interested public on subscription, or may be seen at any District Forester's office or the Forest Service offices in Victoria. A statement of average stumpage prices actually paid is not available and would require the services of several people for a number of weeks to compile as a special project. The Forest Service has no definition for the relative term ‘small operator.’ ”

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

1. What was the total number of psychiatric social workers employed in the Mental Health Services as at December 31st, 1959?

2. Did any psychiatric social workers resign from the Mental Health Services during 1959?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what was the total number of resignations, (b) in what departments did the resignations take place, and (c) what were the reasons, if any, given for resignation?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Forty-two.

“ 2. Yes.

“ 3. (a) Twelve; (b) seven from Mental Health Centre, Burnaby, Children's Clinic; two from Mental Health Centre, Burnaby, Adult Clinic; two from Provincial Mental Hospital, Essondale; and one from The Woodlands School; (c) one left British Columbia, seven to other employment, one for job dissatisfaction, two to further education, and one for family reasons.”



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

1. What was the total number of psychiatrists employed at the Provincial Mental Hospital at Essondale as at December 31st, 1959?

2. What was the total number of patients in the Provincial Mental Hospital at Essondale at December 31st, 1959?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Eleven psychiatrists, including one who serves as consultant in neurology and electroencephalography and one who serves as radiologist; specialist staff also includes one pathologist and one tuberculosis specialist; in addition, there are twenty-one resident physicians in training—nineteen in psychiatry, one senior medical resident, and one senior surgical resident.

“ 2. 3,078.”

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

With reference to the extension of The Woodlands School at Tranquille:—

1. How many patients are now in residence?

2. What is the total number of staff employed?

3. With reference to staff, how many (a) resident psychiatrists are employed, (b) psychiatric nurses are employed, and (c) psychiatric aides are employed?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 109.

“ 2. 49.

“ 3. (a) Nil, (b) 5, and (c) 19.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 15th, 1960**

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 95) intituled “An Act to amend the Real Estate Act” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The House continued to sit after midnight.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16TH.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1961.

214. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$91,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, General Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,464 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1961.

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$154,286 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Lands Branch, Land Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$175,265 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Land Inspection Division, to 31st March, 1961.

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Construction of Roads in Crown Subdivisions, to 31st March, 1961.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,050 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Special Commitments, to 31st March, 1961.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$372,625 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Legal Surveys Division, to 31st March, 1961.

222. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$147,768 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Geographic Division, to 31st March, 1961.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$341,344 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Topographic Division, to 31st March, 1961.

224. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$211,746 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Air Division, to 31st March, 1961.

225. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$540,474 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

226 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Assistance to Improvement Districts under the "Water Act," to 31st March, 1961.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$87,335 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Hydraulic Surveys, to 31st March, 1961.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, B.C. Hydrometric Stream-gauging, to 31st March, 1961.

229. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Grant to British Columbia Natural Resources Conference, to 31st March, 1961.

230. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Fraser River Board, to 31st March, 1961.

231 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, "University Endowment Lands Administration Act," to 31st March, 1961.

232. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,934,012 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Salaries, to 31st March, 1961.

233. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,076,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Expenses, to 31st March, 1961.

234. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$451,778 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1961.

235. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$570,435 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Management, to 31st March, 1961.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$198,302 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1961.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$102,856 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Public Information and Education, to 31st March, 1961.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$101,538 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Ranger School, to 31st March, 1961.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March, 1961.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1961.

241. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$419,798 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Engineering Services, to 31st March, 1961.

242. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Development Roads, to 31st March, 1961.

243. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,953,450 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Protection, to 31st March, 1961.

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Fire Suppression, to 31st March, 1961.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$619,723 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Forest Surveys, to 31st March, 1961.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Scaling Fund, to 31st March, 1961.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,486,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Silviculture, to 31st March, 1961.

248 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Grazing: Range Improvement Fund, to 31st March, 1961.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Peace River Community Pastures, to 31st March, 1961.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Expenses for Advisory Committee, to 31st March, 1961.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.41 a.m.

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### Wednesday, March 16th, 1960

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *R. MacDonald*.

On the motion of Mr. *Dowding*, Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the Provincial Elections Act, 1953," was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the House proceeded to the Order "Private Bills."

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

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to dissolve The Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company."

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to dissolve Maple Ridge Agricultural Association, incorporated August 20th, 1914, and to incorporate Maple Ridge Agricultural Association."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the North-west Telephone Company Act, 1929."

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the Vancouver Charter."

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the Order for consideration of the report on Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the Supreme Court Act" was discharged and the Bill recommitted.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting the Revised Statutes of British Columbia."

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the Jury Act."

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the Gas Act."

The following Bills were committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day:—

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the Survivorship and Presumption of Death Act."

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the Companies Act."

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Act."

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the Conditional Sales Act."

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the Assignment of Book Accounts Act."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the Securities Act."

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the Rules were suspended and Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the Supreme Court Act" was reconsidered by the Committee, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the Motor-vehicle Act" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

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

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the Insurance Act."

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act."

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act respecting British Columbia Electric Company Limited."

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Nanaimo Water District Act."

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act."

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act respecting the Attendance of Members of the Legislative Assembly at Parliamentary Association Conferences."

Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Act."

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the Marriage Act."

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the Government Liquor Act, 1953."

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

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the City of Port Alberni By-law Validation Act, 1945, and respecting School Assessments."

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act for the Validation of Assessments of Land and Improvements for the Year 1960."

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the Psychiatric Nurses Act."

Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the Real Estate Act."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the Trade-unions Act" a debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion was negatived on the following division and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper:—

YEAS—11.

Messieurs

<i>Cox</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Squire</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Harding</i>	

NAYS—36.

Messieurs

<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Richter</i>	<i>Brown, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Stacy</i>	<i>Sharp</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Murray</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Bryan</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Westwood</i>
<i>Roche</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Shirreff</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Newton</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the Trade-unions Act" a debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion was negatived on the following division and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper:—

YEAS—12.

Messieurs

<i>Bryan</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Cox</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Turner</i>

## NAYS—33.

## Messieurs

Brothers  
Gibson  
Smith  
Roche  
Shirreff  
Newton  
Richter  
Tisdalle  
Matthew

Bruch  
Bate  
Shelford  
Reid  
Price  
Corbett  
Brown, Mrs.  
Steacy

Kiernan  
Williston  
Bennett  
Bonner  
Black  
Carnell  
Campbell  
Sharp

Murray  
Asselstine  
Robinson  
Westwood  
Chant  
Peterson  
Martin  
Gaglardi

## PAIR:

## Messieurs

Uphill

Wicks

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the Labour Relations Act" a debate arose.

The Bill was ruled out of order and *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the Annual Holidays Act, 1956," the Bill was ruled out of order and *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend the Testators' Family Maintenance Act" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act respecting Fair Accommodation Practices" a debate arose.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Turner*, the Order for the second reading of the Bill was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (President of the Council) presented the Annual Report of the Milk Board for the Year ended December 31st, 1959.

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

With respect to the Jericho Hill School for deaf and blind children:—

1. Is an automatic sprinkler system installed in this school?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, is such an installation planned and what is the estimated date of installation?
3. Are any new buildings planned to house these children?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what is the estimated date of completion of the buildings?

The Hon. *W. N. Chant* replied as follows:—

" 1. No.

" 2. Yes; May, 1960.

" 3. Yes.

" 4. 1961."

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

With reference to the following companies: General Construction Company, Dawson, Wade & Company, Peter Kiewit & Son, Highway Construction Company, Emil Anderson Construction Company, Mannix Construction Company, and John Laing & Son Construction Company:—

1. Has the Department of Highways paid any money to any or all of them between 1952 and January 28th, 1960?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, in each case, in what total amount?
3. Have any contracts been awarded to them on bids received during the relevant period?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the affirmative, in each instance, what was the original bid received and what was the total amount paid to the company on completion of the contract?
5. If the final payment was greater than the original contract bid, what is the explanation for this?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Dawson, Wade & Co., \$21,416,635.94; Emil Anderson Construction Co., \$13,076,461.65; General Construction Co., \$16,498,198.04; Highway Construction Co., \$13,214,353.38; John Laing & Son Construction Co., \$2,105,151.58; Peter Kiewit & Sons, \$6,824,104.65; Mannix Construction Co., \$1,597,510.25; Mannix Ltd., \$1,306,252.88; and Mannix Co., \$26,881.99.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. *Dawson, Wade & Co.*

Project No.	Amount of Contract.	Amount finally paid.
52-53, Sec. 4	\$326,462.00	\$328,483.23
52-53, Sec. 4A	181,806.80	122,454.69
398	1,745,403.22	2,771,388.03
53-54, Sec. 2	261,531.00	239,179.77
113	296,774.40	657,088.81
53-54, Sec. 2A	233,800.00	295,475.43
476	389,281.40	426,035.20
54-55, Sec. 15	82,935.80	75,930.91
54-55, Sec. 16	43,184.80	49,997.49
54-55, Sec. 27	265,376.40	308,152.53
54-55, Sec. 32	53,929.00	43,876.15
55-56, Sec. 48	373,879.00	299,305.99
55-56, Sec. 39	81,726.20	91,869.14
55-56, Sec. 38	56,281.25	53,189.38
167	58,990.70	74,607.36
169	59,679.35	66,295.23
649	581,333.18	837,442.99
647	450,554.98	655,256.72
652	571,301.93	813,109.11
673	145,990.58	264,042.11
56-57, Sec. 76	83,180.00	82,997.92
688	655,508.75	818,970.74
56-57, Sec. 63	86,672.05	82,365.37
56-57, Sec. 62	49,834.50	49,834.50



Project No.	Amount of Contract.	Amount finally paid.
760	\$2,782,406.56	Not completed.
762	1,533,361.50	\$2,390,574.06
S-5722	360,841.50	327,562.66
874	639,334.34	736,542.55
271	124,574.35	126,377.66
S-2258	91,410.00	134,843.40
S-2358	66,627.70	58,984.31
961	1,392,854.50	Not completed.
910	1,090,929.00	Not completed.
898	297,865.00	Not completed.
S-6259	294,756.50	Not completed.
S-6659	204,464.00	Not completed.
1052	160,842.00	Not completed.
642	105,204.99	118,819.80

*" Emil Anderson Construction Co.*

389	\$424,852.24	\$555,722.26
289	530,912.75	566,463.22
399	404,780.34	433,941.41
466	243,872.32	233,690.35
535	250,677.80	299,582.36
654	608,532.00	834,272.28
754	1,583,148.00	2,122,560.49
755	1,869,966.00	2,288,503.51
892	1,437,594.00	1,726,832.43
962	588,857.50	Not completed.
S-2259	175,680.00	167,749.10
S-6159	231,320.00	Not completed.
287	34,293.10	Not completed.
1030	794,370.75	Not completed.
1095	2,289,022.00	Not completed.
473	1,018,914.00	1,223,384.87

*" General Construction Co.*

52-53, Sec. 9	\$106,188.00	\$76,898.24
301	511,723.20	515,305.02
52-53, Sec. 6	439,940.00	350,142.80
52-53, Sec. 10	174,345.00	184,814.15
302	466,983.60	455,130.69
116	51,978.84	55,110.94
304	228,680.50	357,242.61
407	24,200.00	25,794.50
53-54, Sec. 7	83,390.90	81,443.92
413	440,610.10	432,711.22
53-54, Sec. 9	143,480.00	106,296.12
127	225,270.90	225,671.30
470	274,566.35	334,726.45
54-55, Sec. 12	21,715.00	19,857.55
54-55, Sec. 13	64,790.00	64,550.15
54-55, Sec. 22	257,479.50	190,881.96
477	563,986.50	702,140.27

Project No.	Amount of Contract.	Amount finally paid.
532 .....	\$244,592.76	\$276,339.79
538 .....	145,494.20	158,295.20
55-56, Sec. 45 .....	108,322.50	99,841.15
563 .....	261,736.00	245,418.26
55-56, Sec. 42 .....	53,590.00	51,575.40
55-56, Sec. 43 .....	39,142.00	26,041.40
55-56, Sec. 36 .....	62,793.50	49,419.75
55-56, Sec. 37 .....	27,586.60	20,721.80
55-56, Sec. 34 .....	119,068.00	101,419.36
55-56, Sec. 35 .....	57,096.10	67,756.44
55-56, Sec. 44 .....	30,090.00	25,389.42
641 .....	214,340.90	367,732.19
630 .....	342,247.00	530,027.91
56-57, Sec. 67 .....	276,766.00	459,116.43
712 .....	70,400.00	69,940.86
56-57, Sec. 57 .....	107,013.00	126,368.57
56-57, Sec. 56 .....	57,657.00	62,856.30
693 .....	1,749,526.00	2,156,162.80
789 .....	1,092,856.00	1,373,788.80
56-57, Sec. 82 .....	39,405.00	42,394.60
818 .....	351,248.00	494,783.07
S-5703 .....	220,677.50	182,541.87
813-B .....	873,011.00	881,166.26
S-5705 .....	237,090.00	218,351.56
183 .....	589,167.00	Not completed.
895 .....	197,467.30	310,182.03
S-5881 .....	160,069.50	152,588.15
S-0259 .....	398,174.00	456,260.83
S-2159 .....	212,660.00	Not completed.
1027 .....	979,230.58	Not completed.
S-8359 .....	139,605.50	145,463.67
55-56, Sec. 45 .....	108,322.00	99,841.15

*“ John Laing & Son Construction Co.*

880 .....	\$1,021,259.55	\$1,502,891.48
317 .....	127,395.30	Not completed.

*“ Highway Construction Co.*

303 .....	\$207,595.76	\$219,355.29
409 .....	796,878.91	954,539.66
463 .....	731,169.78	877,009.36
541 .....	317,322.00	308,963.20
616 .....	8,799.00	9,450.00
625 .....	597,735.00	1,062,789.27
764 .....	411,428.00	451,160.93
554 .....	660,925.50	1,213,812.51
792 .....	2,231,039.00	Not completed.
694 .....	795,582.50	1,643,203.86
243 .....	71,488.00	65,051.61
972 .....	938,735.00	Not completed.

*" Peter Kiewit & Sons Co.*

Project No.	Amount of Contract.	Amount finally paid.
753 .....	\$901,940.00	\$1,348,780.49
213 .....	277,250.00	219,710.95
896 .....	10,750.00	15,194.27
906 .....	2,157,282.85	Not completed.
S-0258 .....	428,836.00	395,462.44
963 .....	744,862.00	1,201,615.76
964 .....	34,100.00	29,993.00
S-0759 .....	464,888.00	434,649.44
1028 .....	382,380.90	Not completed.
885 (2) .....	1,183,892.00	Not completed.
885 (4A) .....	110,220.00	Not completed.
262 .....	583,795.00	Not completed.
885 (3) .....	1,325,625.00	Not completed.

*" Mannix Ltd.*

776 .....	\$981,292.50	\$1,306,252.88
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*" Mannix Construction Co.*

902 .....	\$1,796,441.20	Not completed.
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*" Mannix Co.*

304 .....	\$194,474.75	Not completed.
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" 5. The explanations for the increase in expenditure are listed as follows:—

" Grading contracts are bid according to the unit price system. Original estimates of contract items are made during the location investigations.

" In recent years the Materials Engineers Branch has been developed to provide more accurate data on problems of slope stability, identification of solid rock in future excavations, areas of unsuitable materials, and general foundation problems.

" Unfortunately the estimates for these contracts were made without the benefits accruing from these new techniques.

" Due to lack of information on unsuitable soil types, estimates were often found to be in error during construction.

" Many landslides have occurred during construction which were not anticipated when original estimates were prepared, resulting in rather large expenditures.

" In an endeavour to meet deadlines set for completion of the Trans-Canada Highway, estimates were prepared from old surveys, which did not contain sufficient engineering information, thus necessitating an estimate based on the design engineer's knowledge of the particular area, which in some instances was insufficient.

" In general, throughout the Fraser Canyon area, construction of the highway conflicts with the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railway right-of-way. Invariably, in order to meet the requests of the railways, revisions of grade and alignment, change of slope design, and change of structure design was necessitated."

Mr. Dowding asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following question:—

How many vacancies existed for psychiatric social workers in the Provincial Mental Health Services as at December 31st, 1959?

The Hon. E. C. F. Martin replied as follows:—

" Ten as at December 31st, 1959.

" Seven as at March 15th, 1960."

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

1. Have some bonds of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District been purchased by the Workmen's Compensation Board and, if so, what sum, what maturity, what interest rate, and at what price?

2. In the present portfolio of the Workmen's Compensation Board, what value of debentures are held representing purely internal Provincial operations and what value represents external financial support?

3. Has the Minister consulted with the drainage district and other such-like authorities for whom he is making Provincial guarantees as to the possibility of restricting investment to a necessitous minimum pending a return of the money market to less extraordinary levels?

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

"1. Yes; \$373,000 purchased in 1948; November 15th, 1960-73, 3¼ per cent, \$100.

"2. As at March 1st, 1960: Provincial, \$53,515,709, and other, \$68,281,000.

"3. No."

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

Relative to value of machinery purchased by Department of Highways:—

1. In each year since 1952, what value of machinery has been purchased by the Department?

2. What is the present depreciated value of all machinery owned by the Department?

3. Since 1952, has any machinery been purchased on a rental-purchase basis and, if so, in what year and what amount?

4. In each year since 1952, what amount has been paid for rental of machinery?

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

"1. Value of machinery purchased by Department of Highways: 1952/53, \$730,339.23; 1953/54, \$1,018,817.36; 1954/55, \$914,951.81; 1955/56, \$1,135,964.93; 1956/57, \$3,233,504.88; 1957/58, \$2,015,792.89; 1958/59, \$951,395.81; and 1959/60, \$890,000.

"2. Information not readily available.

"3. Machinery purchased on rental-purchase basis: 1952, *nil*; 1953, *nil*; 1954, \$10,552; 1955, \$13,536; 1956, \$52,152; 1957, \$83,304; 1958, \$85,953; and 1959, \$13,315.

"4. Information not readily available."

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

1. With what bank or banks does the Province of British Columbia do its banking business?

2. What was the Province's credit or debit balance with each of the banks with which the Province did its banking business on the first and fifteenth days of each month in the years 1952 to 1959, inclusive?

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

"1. The Canadian Bank of Commerce, The Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto-Dominion Bank, The Bank of Montreal, Imperial Bank, and Bank of Nova Scotia.

"2. Credit balance at each bank each month."

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

With reference to the following list of individuals and companies: J. & M. Construction Company, Michael Moran, Lloyd Jordan, Fritz Jordan, R. H. Miller, Reg. Pearen Limited, Jordan Construction Company, R. & L. Construction Company, L. & M. Logging Limited, Union Contractors, Burton Lymburner, Clyde Thornton, Bonanza Construction, Continental Contractors Limited, Mid City Construction Company, Gresty Brothers Limited, Vincent Lawrence Gresty, E. J. Gresty, Hemlock Equipment Limited, Ben Ginter Construction Company, Ben Ginter Construction Company, 1958, Limited, Atlas Construction Limited, Western Sand and Gravel Limited, E. V. Merrick, Esq., G. A. Fennings, Esq., R. M. W. Brigoliss, Esq., Henry George Garfield, Esq., Windsor Construction Company, North River Construction Company, McClay Construction Limited, Casco Tire Company, A. H. Cassidy, Esq., C. E. Cosens, Esq., Perini Pacific Limited, Midwest Construction Company, Circle Construction Company, Cleaveley Construction Company, A. Cleaveley, Esq., Merit Construction Company, and View Construction Company:—

1. Has the Department of Highways paid any moneys to any or all of them between 1952 and January 28th, 1960?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, in each case, in what total amount?

3. In the case of the companies, have any contracts been awarded to them on bids received during the relevant period?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the affirmative, in each instance, what was the original bid received and what was the total amount paid to the company on completion of the contract?

5. In the case of the individuals, for what specific services were the moneys paid?

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

“ 1. Yes; over a period of eight years.

“ 2. Atlas Construction Co. Ltd. ....	\$1,136,473.51
Casco Tire Co. Ltd. ....	99,307.47
A. H. Cassidy, Esq. ....	1,400.00
Cleaveley Construction Co. ....	465,700.11
Continental Contractors Ltd. ....	88,062.74
Ben Ginter Construction Co. Ltd. ....	11,774,896.34
E. J. Gresty .....	6,872.27
Vincent Lawrence Gresty .....	41,564.66
Gresty Bros. Limited .....	574.65
J. & M. Construction Company .....	58,272.41
L. & M. Logging Limited .....	683,010.00
R. & L. Construction Co. Ltd. ....	1,904,483.23
Lloyd Jordan .....	2,135.00
McClay Construction Ltd. ....	752,068.61
Merit Construction Company .....	468,919.51
Midwest Construction Company .....	328,973.12
North River Construction Company .....	25,190.00
Perini Pacific Ltd. ....	677,946.88
Union Contractors Limited .....	1,205,966.84
View Construction Company .....	847,411.25
Western Sand & Gravel Ltd. ....	642,621.27
Windsor Construction Co. Ltd. ....	259,792.05

" 3. Yes.

" 4. Ben Ginter Construction Co. Ltd.:—	Amount of Contract.	Amount finally paid.
Project No. 534.....	\$281,064.58	\$322,769.10
Project No. 531.....	382,168.56	396,186.01
Project No. 617.....	384,012.90	515,958.08
Project No. 612.....	417,892.30	515,384.39
Project No. 638.....	94,658.50	212,182.97
Project No. 648.....	1,111,023.00	1,341,718.25
Project No. 788.....	1,956,176.25	3,150,237.33
Project No. 778.....	928,059.40	1,213,695.01
Project No. 211.....	226,965.00	236,549.16
Project No. 882.....	983,276.00	1,002,657.67
Project No. 779.....	1,039,673.00	Not completed.
Project No. 1029.....	355,645.20	Not completed.
Project No. 254.....	87,355.10	Not completed.
Project No. 311.....	240,244.30	Not completed.
Continental Contractors Limited:—		
Project No. 1023.....	729,579.00	Not completed.
Union Contractors Limited (formerly L. & M. Logging Ltd.):—		
Project No. 819.....	1,597,335.00	1,851,603.71
R. & L. Construction Co. Ltd.:—		
Project No. 881.....	1,477,860.25	1,972,161.23
McClay Construction Co. Ltd.:—		
Project No. 222.....	122,547.90	311,616.59
Project No. 257.....	56,573.10	61,488.41
Project No. 258.....	39,369.20	40,369.70
Project No. 217.....	113,175.40	147,178.28
Project No. 907.....	427,867.20	Not completed.
Project No. 297.....	93,558.07	Not completed.
Perini Pacific Limited:—		
Project No. S-4258.....	248,664.50	237,243.98
Project No. 280.....	537,306.73	Not completed.
Project No. 267.....	7,295,582.29	Not completed.
Project No. S-8159.....	398,815.60	Not completed.
Windsor Construction Ltd.:—		
Project No. 1036.....	1,459,802.40	Not completed.
Western Sand & Gravel Ltd.:—		
Project No. 681.....	76,500.00	66,131.30
Project No. 683.....	23,030.00	11,365.06

" 5. A. H. Cassidy, Esq., equipment rental; E. J. Gresty, equipment rental; Vincent Lawrence Gresty, salary and expenses; Lloyd Jordan, snow-ploughing.

" EXPLANATION FOR OVEREXPENDITURES ON PROJECTS.

" *Ben Ginter Construction Co.*

" Project No. 617.—The materials encountered during construction varied from those anticipated at the time the schedule of quantities was prepared for tender. This necessitated a revision of roadway design, increased granular base, and additional drainage structures.

" Project No. 648.—Increased quantities of solid rock were encountered during construction. Additional gravel was crushed for following year's paving. Owing

to the very dry summer and in an endeavour to control the dust, water was sprinkled throughout the detour (12 miles).

“Project No. 788.—This project included two major cuts of approximately 900,000 cubic yards with the maximum depth in each about 150 feet. The original surveys and soil investigation indicated only a small amount of rock occurring in some of the lesser cuts. The two major cuts contained a considerable quantity of rock well below the surface and in various forms so that it had to be classified according to the Department’s general specifications. This resulted in an over-run of rock considerably in excess of the estimated quantity.

“Project No. 778.—On completion of grading, construction tests were made of the sub-grade strength. The tests indicated an increase in granular material was required with resultant overexpenditure. Increased roadway and drainage quantities are attributed to the necessity for a revision of alignment on Mud Hill when a slide of fairly large proportions occurred.

“*Union Contractors Ltd.*

“Project No. 819.—Material encountered during construction varied from those anticipated when the original estimate for the project was prepared, which necessitated a redesign of slopes and increased quantities of granular borrow material to ensure a stable road-bed. One half-mile section was added to the contract (Kay Falls, Eagle River Bridge Section).

“*R. & L. Construction Co. Ltd.*

“Project No. 881.—Subsequent to advertising the work and prior to the award of tender an addendum was added to the contract, all contractors were advised by telegram that in the event it was necessary to quarry sandstone for 2-inch crushed material, the Department would negotiate same with the low tenderer. This was done with a resultant increase in cost over the tender amount.

“*McClay Construction Co. Ltd.*

“Bridge Project No. 222.—Considerable amount of approach fill construction which had originally been intended to be done by Department forces was added to the bridge construction contract.”

Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the transmission-line being built by the British Columbia Hydro to connect its system with that of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company near Summerland:—

1. Has the construction of the transmission-line been halted?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) for what reason and (b) will construction recommence and, if so, when?
3. Has any agreement been reached as to the rate at which the British Columbia Hydro will purchase the power from West Kootenay Power & Light Company and, if so, what is the rate?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the negative, what rates have been quoted by the West Kootenay Power & Light Company for delivery of this power?

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

- “1. Yes.
- “2, 3, and 4. Negotiations concurrently under way with West Kootenay Power & Light Company.”

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

1. In the year ended March 31st, 1959, what was the total of Provincial taxes, licences, and fees of all sorts collected at the following regional offices: (a) Vancouver, (b) Victoria, (c) New Westminster, (d) Prince George, (e) Kelowna, (f) Nelson, (g) Dawson Creek, (h) Penticton, and (i) Kamloops?

2. (a) In the year ended March 31st, 1959, what total sum of money was paid or rebated to merchants or others for services rendered in collecting the 5-per-cent sales tax, and (b) in the same year, what was the total cost, if any, to the Department of Finance by way of staff, inspectors, etc., in the collection of the 5-per-cent sales tax?

3. In each year since 1952, what sum was collected, in arrears, of the above tax?

4. In each year since 1952, (a) how many prosecutions were instituted in connection with the above tax and (b) of these, how many were successful?

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

“ 1. (a) \$21,766,123.93, (b) \$3,013,802.19 (regional offices only), (c) \$5,211,410.84, (d) \$4,777,016.76, (e) \$530,679.22, (f) \$3,603,009.76, (g) \$762,351.91, (h) \$511,054.52, and (i) \$10,440,933.84.

“ 2. (a) \$2,250,000 (estimated), and (b) \$596,000.

“ 3. 1952, \$678,614.78; 1953, \$954,713.12; 1954, \$1,037,474.63; 1955, \$1,051,534.61; 1956, \$1,424,424.44; 1957, \$1,451,096.22; 1958, \$1,425,958.71; and 1959, \$2,250,862.79.

“ 4. (a) 1952, 40; 1953, 47; 1954, 66; 1955, 74; 1956, 42; 1957, 62; 1958, 87; 1959, 72; total, 490; and (b) 490.”

Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following question:—

With reference to the letter from the Peace River Power Development Company to the British Columbia Hydro *re* its participation in the development of the Peace River, has the British Columbia Hydro replied to the invitation and, if so, what was its reply?

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

“ No letter from ‘Peace River Development Company.’ A letter from Wenner-Gren B.C. Development Company Limited was transmitted to the British Columbia Power Commission for consideration. The said Commission elected to defer a definite answer.”

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

With respect to the Geriatric Division of the Mental Health Services:—

1. Is there a full-time medical assistant on staff at the present time in the Homes for the Aged in (a) Vernon, (b) Terrace, and (c) Coquitlam?

2. Are there any social workers on staff at the present time in the Homes for the Aged in (a) Vernon, (b) Terrace, and (c) Coquitlam?

3. If the answer to any portion of No. 2 is yes, how many in each home?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) No, community physician is on call; (b) no, community physician is on call; and (c) yes, Medical Superintendent and two resident physicians.

“ 2. (a), (b), and (c) No.”



Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

In each school district in the Province, which has rural components, what were the total sums collectable under the "Public Schools Act" in each rural component for the school budget year of 1959?

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

"Unorganized rural component of school district and 1959 school requisition: No. 1, Fernie, \$151,861; No. 2, Cranbrook, \$97,128; No. 3, Kimberley, \$207,595; No. 4, Windermere, \$60,932; No. 5, Creston, \$159,509; No. 6, Kootenay Lake, \$39,277; No. 7, Nelson, \$270,624; No. 8, Slocan, \$91,122; No. 9, Castlegar, \$168,177; No. 10, Arrow Lakes, \$56,837; No. 11, Trail, \$230,425; No. 12, Grand Forks, \$57,169; No. 13, Kettle Valley, \$51,150; No. 14, Southern Okanagan, \$128,460; No. 15, Penticton, \$54,694; No. 16, Keremeos, \$39,208; No. 17, Princeton, \$36,772; No. 18, Golden, \$42,883; No. 19, Revelstoke, \$52,444; No. 20, Salmon Arm, \$95,568; No. 21, Armstrong-Spallumcheen, \$5; No. 22, Vernon, \$90,187; No. 23, Kelowna, \$287,868; No. 24, Kamloops, \$414,136; No. 25, Barriere, \$38,439; No. 26, Birch Island, \$78,094; No. 27, Williams Lake, \$152,991; No. 28, Quesnel, \$177,904; No. 29, Lillooet, \$336,760; No. 30, South Cariboo, \$107,127; No. 31, Merritt, \$93,520; No. 32, Fraser Canyon, \$100,218; No. 33, Chilliwack, \$84,817; No. 34, Abbotsford, \$4,422; No. 36, Surrey, \$3,351; No. 38, Richmond, \$224; No. 40, New Westminster, \$25,487; No. 42, Maple Ridge, \$10,073; No. 43, Coquitlam, \$276,924; No. 44, North Vancouver, \$728; No. 45, West Vancouver, \$131; No. 46, Sechelt, \$348,914; No. 47, Powell River, \$152,917; No. 48, Howe Sound, \$368,979; No. 49, Ocean Falls, \$299,206; No. 50, Queen Charlotte, \$42,926; No. 51, Portland Canal, \$10,709; No. 52, Prince Rupert, \$302,613; No. 53, Terrace, \$108,089; No. 54, Smithers, \$41,273; No. 55, Burns Lake, \$58,811; No. 56, Vanderhoof, \$46,273; No. 57, Prince George, \$292,414; No. 58, McBride, \$68,327; No. 59, Peace River South, \$175,607; No. 60, Peace River North, \$318,244; No. 61, Greater Victoria, \$63,244; No. 62, Sooke, \$291,121; No. 63, Saanich, \$113,443; No. 64, Saltspring, \$104,264; No. 65, Cowichan, \$180,806; No. 66, Lake Cowichan, \$292,232; No. 67, Ladysmith, \$81,568; No. 68, Nanaimo, \$643,296; No. 69, Qualicum, \$120,803; No. 70, Alberni, \$137,937; No. 71, Courtenay, \$210,830; No. 72, Campbell River, \$434,639; No. 73, Alert Bay, \$124,248; No. 74, Quatsino, \$202,647; No. 75, Mission, \$54,382; No. 76, Agassiz, \$47,111; No. 77, Summerland, \$5,178; No. 78, Enderby, \$29,701; No. 79, Ucluelet-Tofino, \$31,754; No. 81, Fort Nelson, \$5,284; and No. 82, Chilotin, \$10,679.

"Unorganized rural component of school district and 1959 school requisition (unattached): Atlin, \$2,375; Bamfield, \$3,545; Butedale, \$351; Camp Mile 201, \$34; Camp Mile 392, \$102; Esperanza, \$490; Kyuquot, \$1,784; Lower Post, \$336; McDame Creek, \$18,900; Muchalat, \$3,838; Sarita River, \$6,829; Tahsis River, \$29,482; Telegraph Creek, \$550; University Hill, \$151,249; and Zeballos, \$184. Total, \$10,415,759."

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

With respect to Allico Provincial Infirmary:—

1. Was any money spent on (a) construction and (b) building maintenance during 1959?

2. If so, how much?

The Hon. *W. N. Chant* replied as follows:—

"1. (a) No and (b) yes.

"2. \$14,350 to date this fiscal year."

Mrs. *Haggen* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With respect to the nursing staff at The Woodlands School:—

1. What was the total number of nurses employed as at December 31st, 1959?
2. (a) How many are graduate psychiatric nurses and (b) how many are registered nurses?
3. Did any nurses resign during the year 1959?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) how many were graduate psychiatric nurses and (b) how many were registered nurses?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. 225.
- “ 2. (a) 219 and (b) 6.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. (a) 44 (getting married, pregnant, health or personal, 26; left British Columbia, 11; other employment, 4; retired, 3) and (b) none.”

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

1. How many serious cases of polio are reported from the Burns Lake area?
2. How many non-paralytic cases of polio are reported from the Burns Lake area?
3. How many of these cases were reported from the Village of Burns Lake?
4. How many of these cases were reported from the surrounding areas outside of the Village of Burns Lake?
5. Are polio shots available to people of all age-groups within the presently affected area?
6. Has the Cariboo Health Unit sufficient personnel in the Burns Lake area to cope with the present outbreak?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. There has been a total of eleven cases of paralytic polio with one death reported in the Burns Lake area.

“ 2. Non-paralytic cases are no longer reportable. At a Dominion-Provincial agreement in 1955 it was agreed that, because of the difficulties of confirmation of diagnosis of non-paralytic poliomyelitis and the fact that so many other conditions presented similarly clinical symptoms, all reporting for the future would be confined solely to paralytic poliomyelitis.

“ 3. There have been five cases of paralytic polio reported so far in the Village of Burns Lake.

“ 4. There have been six cases reported from the surrounding areas outside of the Village of Burns Lake.

“ 5. Poliomyelitis immunization has been re-emphasized in the area as one of the more desirable preventive measures. Clinics are in operation to offer vaccine to all age-groups.

“ 6. Departmental inquiry from the Director of the Cariboo Health Unit indicates sufficient personnel are available to cope with the present situation. One of the assets of health unit service is the staff flexibility which permits staff, in emergencies, to be moved from one community to another; this would be done within the Cariboo Health Unit in this case, if necessary. In addition, the Department advised the Director of the Cariboo Health Unit of a willingness to loan further additional staff if it was deemed necessary. So far this has not been requested.”

Mr. *Gregory* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. How many, if any, licences have been granted for the sale of reconstituted milk in the Province?
2. If any such licences are in existence, what volume of reconstituted milk was sold in each year of the licences' existence?
3. On what basis is a licence to sell reconstituted milk granted?

The Hon. *N. P. Steacy* replied as follows:—

"1. 1953, two permits; 1954, two permits; 1955, three permits; 1956, five permits; 1957, four permits; 1958, three permits; 1959, four permits; 1960, three permits. One cancelled in July, two later cancelled, one not used, fresh milk sufficient. A temporary permit was issued to Lakelse Dairy in Kitimat in July, 1959, due to a shipping strike.

"2. From 6,500 to 7,000 gallons per month at Ocean Falls, and 17,000 gallons per year at Kemano. Other permits have covered deficiency periods to make up shortages of fresh milk.

"3. Permits are issued under authority of section 15 of the 'Milk Industry Act' for such time and in such quantities as conditions warrant, having regard to available supplies of fresh fluid milk within a reasonable distance from the market where it is proposed to sell the reconstituted milk."

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

With reference to public health nursing services:—

1. Has a public health nurse been appointed at the Williams Lake Health Centre?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, (a) why not and (b) is such an appointment to be made?
3. Has a public health nurse been appointed at Quesnel?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, (a) why not and (b) is such an appointment to be made?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes; there are two public health nurses located at Williams Lake and a third nurse will be appointed April 8th, 1960.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. There are two public health nurses located at Quesnel. After April 8th additional public health nursing service will be available by the appointment of a third nurse with headquarters at Williams Lake, who will serve both districts.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

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

1. What was the percentage turnover for the entire staff of Mental Health Services for the year 1959?
2. What was the percentage turnover for the entire staff of psychiatric nurses in the Mental Health Services for the year 1959?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

"1. 19.5 per cent.

"2. 17.3 per cent.

"NOTE.—The percentages shown above have been calculated against year-end staff totals in both cases."

Mr. *Dowding* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company 1958/59 balance-sheet and the item "Traffic Accounts Receivable, \$2,360,030":—

1. To what period of time do these accounts pertain?
2. Did any firms accumulate more than \$20,000 in outstanding liabilities represented in the said \$2,360,030 and, if so, which firms?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is in the affirmative, was any debt or portion thereof owing by such firms written off by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and, if so, which firms were involved?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is in the affirmative, in the case of each firm involved, what was the amount written off by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company?
5. With respect to No. 3 and No. 4, have any of the firms involved gone into bankruptcy, receivership, or liquidation and, if so, which firms?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is in the affirmative, who was the respective trustee in bankruptcy, liquidator, or receiver in each case?

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

" 1. Approximately 40 per cent of the items are current, 25 per cent are thirty days and 35 per cent are sixty days and over.

" 2. The following is a list of firms whose balances exceed \$20,000 and are included in the above figure: Grand Trunk Western Railroad, \$20,224; Long Island Railroad, \$20,288; Western Plywood Co. Ltd., \$23,303; New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, \$27,446; Laird Distributors Ltd., \$30,605; New York Central Railroad, \$42,343; Pennsylvania Railroad, \$43,632; Canadian National Railway, \$56,772; and Canadian Pacific Railway, \$186,170. Interline divisions due to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway by other railways whose identities are not determined until the movements of the cars have been completed and the cars have been reported, \$1,044,611.

" 3. No.

" 4, 5, and 6. Not applicable."

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

1. Will the Premier please indicate in a general way what persons or organizations, etc., regularly receive copies of the publication *British Columbia Government News*?

2. Were copies of the November, 1959, issue (Volume 7, No. 9) sent to any schools other than those which regularly receive the publication or in greater than regular quantities and, if so, (a) why were copies of that issue sent, (b) how many copies were sent, and (c) to what schools were copies sent?

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

" 1. Any person or organization may regularly receive copies.

" 2. Yes. (a) The issue contained an article outlining the programme under which loans and bursaries are available to students desiring to further their education. In order to inform eligible students of this programme sufficient copies were sent to senior high schools for distribution to Grade XII students. With the approval of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia and of Victoria College, copies were also sent to the University and to the College for distribution. (b) Approximately 10,000. (c) See 2 (a) above."

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

With reference to the regional dental consultant for Central and Northern Vancouver Island:—

1. Did the consultant resign recently?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, will a replacement be made for the consultant and, if not, why not?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. The regional dental consultant serving the three health units of Vancouver Island resigned on January 18th, 1960, to accept a similar appointment with the Government of Tasmania.

“ 2. Prior to this resignation it was planned that clinical preventive dental services provided by the health units of this Province could be best expanded by their being carried out by the resident family dentists of the communities. Total clinical services available to the younger children of the Vancouver Island health units are greater this school-year than ever before. Consultant services to these health units will continue, but will be provided direct by the Division of Preventive Dentistry, Health Branch, Victoria. The appointment of regional dental consultant to the Vancouver Island health units will not be refilled immediately since this position in establishment is now filled by a similar appointment to the northern health units of the Province where the urgent need for such services has become a matter of most serious concern.”

Mr. *Gregory* asked the Hon. the Premier and president of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway the following questions:—

With reference to the condensed statement of accounts of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, as at December 31st, 1959, filed in the House on February 16th, 1960:—

1. How much, if any, of the \$2,360,030 shown as an asset on the balance-sheet as “Traffic Accounts Receivable” was owing the railway by W. L. Laird Distributors Limited and how long had any part of it been owing?

2. How much, if any, of the \$101,154.90 owing the railway by W. L. Laird Distributors Limited as at August 9th, 1957, had been paid by December 31st, 1960?

3. How many days' credit, if any, does the railway extend to W. L. Laird Distributors Limited?

4. What type of freight, if any, does the railway carry for W. L. Laird Distributors Limited and have there been any reductions in freight rates charged on that type of freight since one Walton, of Gunderson, Stokes, Walton & Company, became its president during the year 1959; if there have been any such freight rate reductions, what were they and when and why were they made?

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

“ 1. \$30,605 representing amounts due for August and September, 1959.

“ 2. It has not been possible to identify this figure on the books of the railway company. It may, however, be stated that the business with the firm of W. L. Laird Distributors has been of the magnitude of \$155,000 in 1958 and \$166,000 in 1959.

“ 3. None.

“ 4. Type of freight—general commodities. Numerous freight rate reductions have been made from time to time in accordance with the company's policy of meeting competition. These changes are all set forth in various published tariffs and are applicable to all shippers.”

Mr. *Gregory* asked the Hon. the Premier and president of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway the following questions:—

1. Since 1956, has the Pacific Great Eastern Railway purchased any used rail?
2. If so, where did this rail originate and from whom did the railway purchase it?
3. Was the rail purchased f.a.s. or f.o.b. and what price per ton was paid?
4. What was the weight of the rail?
5. Where was it installed in the system?
6. Since 1956, has the railway sold any used rail?
7. If so, were tenders called?
8. To whom was the rail sold, at what price per ton, and at what point?

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

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. Fort Rouge; Canadian National Railways.
- “ 3. F.o.b.; \$89.56 per net ton.
- “ 4. 115 pounds per lineal yard.
- “ 5. Tracks in new shops buildings at North Vancouver and Squamish.
- “ 6. Yes.
- “ 7. Yes.
- “ 8. Benjamin Chechik, \$76.50, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Atlas Iron & Metals Ltd., \$80.10, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Benjamin Chechik, \$52.60, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Atlas Iron & Metals Ltd., \$53.60, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District, \$62.50, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Pacific Metals Ltd., \$50.23, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Atlas Iron & Metals Ltd., \$41.50, f.o.b. North Vancouver; Atlas Iron & Metals Ltd., \$34.98, f.o.b. Williams Lake; Atlas Iron & Metals Ltd., \$36.90, f.o.b. Clinton; Atlas Iron & Metals Ltd., \$31.66, f.o.b. North Vancouver; B.C. Brokerage Co. Ltd., \$24.65, f.o.b. Pavilion; and B.C. Brokerage Co. Ltd., \$30.25, f.o.b. North Vancouver.”

Mrs. *Haggen* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. Is there a Provincial Government veterinary presently located at (a) Penticton and (b) Nelson?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what are their names and (b) when did they commence at said centres?
3. If the answer to No. 1 is no, (a) is it the intention to appoint veterinaries at these centres and (b) if so, when?

The Hon. *N. P. Steacy* replied as follows:—

“ 1. (a) No; official veterinary service provided by a Federal veterinarian stationed at Penticton and by the Provincial Veterinary Inspector from Kamloops. A qualified veterinarian resides and practises in the area; he can be used as a Provincial Deputy Veterinary Inspector when necessary. (b) No. A Federal Veterinary Inspector and a private practising veterinarian, both located at Creston, provide service for the East and West Kootenays. A Provincial Veterinary Inspector visited all outlying areas of those regions this winter to carry out certain responsibilities not otherwise handled.

“ 2. See answer to No. 1.

“ 3. (a) It is not intended to appoint a Provincial Veterinary Inspector at Penticton. A Provincial Veterinary Inspector will be located probably at Nelson to carry out official responsibilities in the Kootenay-Grand Forks-Boundary areas. (b) Approximately in May or as soon thereafter as the progress of the brucellosis-control programme in the Lower Mainland permits.”

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

1. Did any milk shippers have their licences cancelled during the calendar year 1959?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) if so, how many and (b) how many licences were cancelled in (i) the Fraser Valley and (ii) Vancouver Island?

The Hon. *N. P. Steacy* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 194; (b) (i) Fraser Valley, 166, of which 117 resulted from discontinued operations which resulted mainly from the sale of entire milking herds to new owners who had the daily quotas transferred to them. In such cases it was necessary to cancel the licence of the former owner. In some cases the sale or lease of a farm was involved. Forty-nine of the cancellations were from unsatisfactory farm premises or milk quality which could be reinstated on complying with regulations. (ii) Vancouver Island, ten, of which seven resulted from discontinued operations and three from unsatisfactory farm premises or milk quality which could be reinstated on complying with regulations.”

Mr. *Gargrave* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Why is the British Columbia Toll Highways Authority not using for the Vancouver–Victoria ferry system the wharf facilities provided by the Federal Government at Sidney?
2. Is the Federal wharf at Sidney used by the Washington State Ferries all year around?
3. What has been the total cost of establishing a ferry terminal at Swartz Bay for (a) wharf, (b) road approaches, and (c) other facilities?
4. Would the provision of a ferry designed for double-ended control and propulsion have enabled the present Sidney wharf to be used?

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

“ 1. Not adequate.

“ 2. Not under Provincial jurisdiction.

“ 3. Not completed.

“ 4. Present ferry recommended for this service.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 16th, 1960**

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 98) intituled “An Act respecting Trading Stamps” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

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

F. M. ROSS,  
*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,*  
*March 16th, 1960.*

*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. 96) intituled “An Act to amend the Forest Act,” a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the House proceeded to the Order “Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees.”

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

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 16th, 1960.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Moved by *Mr. Strachan*, seconded by *Mr. Harding*, that the Committee be authorized to carry on an investigation of vouchers and that requests for vouchers be made to the Chairman. Motion carried.

Your Committee held several meetings to peruse the accounts and is pleased to advise that all accounts examined were found to be in order.

Your Committee is pleased to report that progress has been made in the method of accounting in the Department of Highways as is shown in the report of that Department.

Your Committee noticed the wide difference between the total price given in accepted tenders for some highway construction and the final over-all cost of the work done. Therefore, your Committee recommends that, in fairness to all contractors bidding on such work, the greatest possible effort should be made by the Engineering Department to have original quantity estimates as called for in bids as close as possible to the quantities which are to be handled in the completion of the job.



Your Committee commends the Comptroller-General for his co-operation in making available to your Committee all vouchers and matters that were requested of him and is pleased with the operation of his department.

Your Committee summoned Mr. Willard E. Ireland, Chairman of the Public Documents Committee, established by the "Public Documents Disposal Act," as amended by chapter 27 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1953, and, having heard the submission on behalf of the Public Documents Committee, recommends that, in accordance with the provisions of the "Public Documents Disposal Act," approval be given for the destruction of the various public documents as listed in the submission of the Public Documents Committee in so far as the following departments of Government are concerned:—

*Attorney-General.*—Official Committee; Supreme and County Court, Victoria and Penticton; Motor-vehicle Branch; Motor Licensing Offices; Liquor Control Board.

*Education.*—Assistant Superintendent (Instruction); Curriculum Division; Elementary Correspondence School; High School Correspondence School; Finance Branch; Text-book Branch; Provincial Museum.

*Finance.*

*Health Services and Hospital Insurance.*—V.D. Control; Division of Laboratories; Division of Vital Statistics; Local Health Services; Health Branch Central Office; B.C. Hospital Insurance Service; Mental Health Services Branch.

*Highways.*

*Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce.*

*Labour.*

*Lands and Forests.*

*Mines.*

*Public Works.*

*Recreation and Conservation.*

*Social Welfare.*—Assistant Director of Social Welfare; Medical Services Division.

*British Columbia Centennial Committee.*

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. F. CORBETT, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

Mr. *Shirreff* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 16th, 1960.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries begs leave to report as follows:—

Pursuant to motion of February 26th, 1960, your Committee was ordered convened to study the following matter:—

"To consider special bidding practices which might be introduced for timber sales which occur in seriously overcommitted public working circles and to hear such persons as may wish to make representation on this and related matters."

Four meetings were held by your Committee and representations were heard from the following:—

- (1) Mr. Swannell, of the Department of Lands and Forests.
- (2) Mr. Battle, representing the Cariboo—P.G.E. Lumber Manufacturers.
- (3) Mr. McRae, of the Cariboo—P.G.E. Lumber Manufacturers.
- (4) Mr. Ian McQueen, consulting forester.
- (5) Mr. John Bene, president of the Western Plywood Company.
- (6) Mr. C. D. Grove-White, representing Mr. Bycyek.
- (7) Mr. Dunham, president of the B.C. Loggers Association.
- (8) Mr. Hodgins, representing B.C. Loggers Association.

It was established that there are three types of managed areas which could be described as follows:—

- (1) Hopeless—such as the Okanagan.
- (2) Controlled—where sustained yield can be applied.
- (3) Border-line—such as the areas under consideration—namely, Lac la Hache and Williams Lake.

These areas are being badly overcut, which has brought about very competitive bidding for the available timber. This has resulted in such timber being bid beyond economic limits and some solution was sought to resolve the situation where too many operators were pursuing too little timber.

Your Committee feels that the area should be retained as a sustained-yield unit. The possibility of cutting small trees was not considered feasible unless a pulp-mill were established at the present time, and there seems to be no danger that an appreciable amount of timber will be lost by overmaturity although the possibility does exist that the cut may be increased after a comprehensive survey.

The question of enlarging working circles was suggested but is impossible to implement because of the fact that this would necessitate encroachment on other working circles. The grouping of several working circles would also not necessarily solve anything but would only extend the problems to other units.

The facts of the matter were crystal clear to your Committee, and they feel that they achieved in their recommendations, which this report will reveal, measures which contain not only a practical but also a humane approach to a very difficult situation.

Livelihood of people is involved, with all the built-in factors such as desire to live in a certain area, community development, education of children, and future development. We do not consider that these matters are unrelated to the cold economics inherent in this problem.

Your Committee is hopeful that the main premise of our submission—namely, sealed bids with first refusal to the initiator—will enable a gradual easement of the prevailing situation with the least amount of serious disruption to the general economy of the areas concerned, coupled with a real desire to see that fair treatment to all is not only intended but, all things being considered, very apparent.

As a result of submission and our own deliberations, your Committee is recommending at this time the following proposals:—

- (1) Where the present cut in a sustained-yield unit exceeds 150 per cent of the allocated cut, that area shall be declared an emergency area.
- (2) That in emergency areas quota holders be entitled to put up timber sales by either of the following methods:—
  - (a) By public auction, in which event anyone might bid on the sale.
  - (b) By sealed tender, in which event quota holders in the sustained-yield unit only may bid on the sale, with the quota holder who initiates the sale retaining the right of first refusal on the top bid.

- (3) That consideration for compensation be made in timber-sale contracts to reimburse present quota holders for certain residual values of fixed assets that will be used by the successful bidder in the event that the quota holders are unsuccessful, this to be done in a manner similar to the practice presently in effect concerning resales.
- (4) Your Committee recognizes that the problem of overcutting within emergency areas is of such magnitude that a careful review of the proposed legislation is warranted by the Forest Service and the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries at the 1961 sitting of the Legislature.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. A. SHIRREFF, *Chairman*.

By leave of the House, the report was taken as read and received.

Mr. *Bruch* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 16th, 1960.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters begs leave to report as follows:—

Subsequent to direction by the House, the Committee held meetings to consider the brief as presented by Mr. T. R. B. Adams for the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

After due consideration of the brief in camera, the Committee moved non-concurrence in section 2 (last four lines), section 3, and section 5, and moved sections 4, 8, 9, and 10 be referred to the Department of Municipal Affairs for study and sections 11 and 12 to be referred to both the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Municipal Affairs for further study.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. J. BRUCH, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

On the motion of Mr. *Strachan*, seconded by Mr. *Turner*, it was *Ordered*,—

That copies of all correspondence between the Government or anyone acting on behalf of the Government and any other individuals, groups, associations, or companies regarding the proposed public service group insurance be tabled with this House.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

271. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,752 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1961.

272. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,966 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

273. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$59,352 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Central Microfilm Bureau, to 31st March, 1961.

274. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$339,934 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

275. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Queen's Printer, to 31st March, 1961.

276. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,012 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1961.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (the Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1961.

278. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1961.

279. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Construction and Other Grants to Charitable and Other Organizations, to 31st March, 1961.

280. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grant to Narcotic Foundation, to 31st March, 1961.

281. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grant *re* Alcoholic Treatment, to 31st March, 1961.

282 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, "Capital Improvement District Act," to 31st March, 1961.

283. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$185,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Historical Sites, to 31st March, 1961.

284. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$360,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Homes for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March, 1961.

285. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$222,916 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, to 31st March, 1961.

286 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,258 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, "Provincial Elections Act," to 31st March, 1961.

287 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, "Public Inquiries Act," to 31st March, 1961.

288. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$177,492 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

289. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Grants *re* Civil Service—Gratuities under sec. 76 of “Civil Service Act,” and other Government employees, to 31st March, 1961.

290. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Retiring Allowances—“Civil Service Act,” sec. 69, and other Government employees, to 31st March, 1961.

291. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

292. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Grants—Retiring Allowances, to 31st March, 1961.

293 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, “Civil Service Superannuation Act,” to 31st March, 1961.

294 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, “Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act,” to 31st March, 1961.

295 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, “Teachers’ Pensions Act,” to 31st March, 1961.

296 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$553,108 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, “Public Services Medical Plan Act,” to 31st March, 1961.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 17TH.

266. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,375 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister’s Office, to 31st March, 1961.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$69,327 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

268. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$121,864 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1961.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1961.

270. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Pollution-control Board, to 31st March, 1961.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Pursuant to Order, the Hon. *W. D. Black* (Provincial Secretary) tabled copies of all correspondence between the Government or anyone acting on behalf of the Government and any other individuals, groups, associations, or companies regarding the proposed public service group insurance.

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

Under the “Workmen’s Compensation Act,” how many total disability cases are receiving pensions at the rate of less than \$100 per month?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

“This information is not available from Workmen’s Compensation Board records.”

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

1. Will the new Civil Service group life insurance policy involve \$40,000,000 coverage and annual premiums ranging from \$375,000 to \$500,000?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, what is the estimated amount of coverage and the corresponding annual premium?

3. Has it been decided to award the contract to the Great-West Life Assurance Company or any other company or groups of companies?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, why?

5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, what procedure, if any, does the Government intend to follow?

6. Is it true that only six out of the thirty-two companies operating in British Columbia could make application?

7. Is it true that the Great-West Life Assurance Company has the group insurance coverage for (a) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, (b) the British Columbia Power Commission, and (c) the Liquor Control Board?

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

“1. No.

“2. Estimated amount of coverage is \$30,000,000 and the corresponding estimated annual premium will be between \$145,000 and \$185,000.

“3. No.

“4. Not applicable.

“5. The firm of Marsh & McLennan Limited, which assisted in preliminary studies of the proposed plan, has been retained as agent for the Government; in order to speed up institution of the plan, and subject to approval of Bill (No. 42), this firm has called for tenders.

“6. No; according to the latest information supplied by Marsh & McLennan Limited, at least twenty-four companies intend to tender bids, including all of the recognized larger insurance companies licensed in British Columbia.

“7. (a) Yes and (b) and (c) no.”

[Journals corrected, *vide* page 176.]

Mr. *Dowding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following question:—

What were the total case loads by regions in Social Welfare Branch as at December 31st, 1959?

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

“Region 1, 12,104; Region 2, 28,986; Region 3, 8,200; Region 4, 5,863; Region 5, 4,004; Region 6, 9,528; and Region 7, 2,651.”

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

1. In each social welfare office in the Province what is the establishment of social workers as recommended by the administration of the Social Welfare Branch?

2. What was the actual number of social workers employed in each of the relevant offices as at December 31st, 1959?

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

“ 1. This depends on case-load needs.

“ 2. Region 1:—

“ Provincial Offices: Alberni, 3; Courtenay, 4; Duncan, 3; Nanaimo, 7; and Victoria, 4.

“ Municipal Offices: Saanich, 1, and Victoria, 4.

“ Region 2:—

“ Provincial Offices: New Westminster, 3; Vancouver, 5; and Westview, 2.

“ Municipal Offices: Burnaby, 5; Coquitlam, 1; New Westminster City, 2; North Vancouver, 2; Richmond, 1; Vancouver City, 21; and West Vancouver, 1.

“ Region 3:—

“ Provincial Offices: Kamloops, 6; Kelowna, 1; Oliver, 1; Penticton, 3; Salmon Arm, 2; and Vernon, 3.

“ Region 4:—

“ Provincial Offices: Cranbrook, 3; Creston, 2; Fernie, 1; Grand Forks, 2; Nelson, 4; New Denver, 2; and Trail, 3.

“ Region 5:—

“ Provincial Offices: Fort St. John, 2; Pouce Coupe, 2; Prince George, 5; Quesnel, 2; Vanderhoof, 1; and Williams Lake, 2.

“ Region 6:—

“ Provincial Offices: Abbotsford, 5; Chilliwack, 4; Haney, 2; Langley, 5; and White Rock, 1.

“ Municipal Offices: Surrey (Cloverdale), 4.

“ Region 7:—

“ Provincial Offices: Burns Lake, 1; Prince Rupert, 4; Smithers, 1; and Terrace, 2.”

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

With reference to the Provincial Government Pharmacy:—

1. What was the total cost of drugs purchased by the Pharmacy for the fiscal year 1958/59?

2. What proportion of the cost was for drugs purchased under (a) brand names and (b) generic names?

3. What was the total cost of drugs supplied to patients during the fiscal year 1958/59?

4. What was the full retail value of the drugs supplied during the fiscal year 1958/59?

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

“ 1. \$137,255.34.

“ 2. (a) Approximately 75 per cent and (b) approximately 25 per cent.

“ 3. \$1,281,107.27, includes drugs supplied through the Government Pharmacy and druggists.

“ 4. Not available.”

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

1. What was the total number of boys who were dealt with at the Boys' School at Coquitlam during the fiscal year 1953/54?

2. Did any boys leave the Boys' School at Coquitlam without permission during the fiscal year 1953/54 and, if so, how many?

3. What was the total number of boys who were dealt with at the Boys' School at Brannen Lake during the fiscal year 1958/59?

4. Did any boys leave the Boys' School at Brannen Lake without permission during the fiscal year 1958/59 and, if so, how many?

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

“ 1. 223.

“ 2. 432 absent without leave, involving 146 boys.

“ 3. 484.

“ 4. 105 absent without leave, involving 73 boys.”

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

1. Is there a social worker employed at Social Welfare Branch, Abbotsford, to deal specifically with an old-age pension case load?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, is he also responsible for the old-age pension case loads in other Fraser Valley offices and, if so, (a) which offices, (b) how many days per week is he available in the relevant offices, (c) what total case load is he responsible for, and (d) what average mileage does he cover per month on his case loads?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Yes; (a) Haney and Mission; (b) Haney (one day), Mission (approximately one day), and Abbotsford (approximately three days); (c) 1,653, December, 1959; and (d) 673.”

Mr. *Dowding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following question:—

What was the total Child Welfare Division case load as at December 31st, 1959?

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

“(a) 1,534 children admitted to care from April 1st, 1959, to December 31st, 1959; (b) number of children in care as at December 31st, 1959, 4,966 (this includes those in care at Children's Aid Societies); and (c) in addition to the above, several hundred cases handled, such as admissions and discharges to and from Boys' and Girls' Schools, repatriations, Supreme Court, immigration, adoptions, etc.”

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

What was the total number of social workers in the Social Welfare Branch, by regions, as at December 31st, 1959?

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

“Region 1, 26; Region 2, 43; Region 3, 16; Region 4, 17; Region 5, 14; Region 6, 21; and Region 7, 8; total, 145.”



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

With reference to the Boys' Industrial School:—

1. What was the number of new admissions during the fiscal year 1958/59?
2. How many of this number were never tried on probation?

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

“ 1. 240.

“ 2. 41.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.35 a.m.

### Thursday, March 17th, 1960

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon *Scott*.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, the Rules were suspended to permit the moving, without notice, of the following motion:—

That the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, March 16th, 1960, page 27, be amended by striking out lines 18 and 19 and substituting therefor the following:—

“ 2. Estimated amount of coverage is \$30,000,000 and the corresponding estimated annual premium will be between \$145,000 and \$185,000.”

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, seconded by Mr. *Gregory*, it was *Ordered*,—

That the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, March 16th, 1960, page 27, be amended by striking out lines 18 and 19 and substituting therefor the following:—

“ 2. Estimated amount of coverage is \$30,000,000 and the corresponding estimated annual premium will be between \$145,000 and \$185,000.”

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the House proceeded to the Order “Public Bills and Orders.”

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to amend the Survivorship and Presumption of Death Act.”

Bill (No. 43) intituled “An Act to amend the Companies Act.”

Bill (No. 47) intituled “An Act to amend the Bills of Sale Act.”

Bill (No. 48) intituled “An Act to amend the Conditional Sales Act.”

Bill (No. 49) intituled “An Act to amend the Assignment of Book Accounts Act.”

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to amend the Securities Act.”

Bill (No. 62) intituled “An Act to amend the Supreme Court Act.”

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the Order for consideration of the report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the Motor-vehicle Act" was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* to be recommitted.

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

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the City of Port Alberni By-law Validation Act, 1945, and respecting School Assessments."

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act for the Validation of Assessments of Land and Improvements for the Year 1960."

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the Psychiatric Nurses Act."

Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the Real Estate Act."

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the Motor-vehicle Act" was recommitted, reported complete with amendments, and, by leave of the House, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the Forest Act" was read a second time, and, by leave of the House, it was *Ordered* that the Bill be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the Forest Act" was committed, reported complete without amendment, and, by leave of the House, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act respecting Trading Stamps" a debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—43.

Messieurs

<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Shirreff</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Sharp</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Brown, Mrs.</i>	<i>Murray</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Stacey</i>	<i>Massey</i>
<i>Bryan</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Cox</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Westwood</i>
<i>Squire</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Turner</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Roche</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Lundell</i>	

NAYS—3.

Messieurs

<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Newton</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
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The Bill was read a second time and, by leave of the House, it was *Ordered* to be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act respecting Trading Stamps" was committed, reported complete without amendment, and, by leave of the House, read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

320. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1961.

321. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,138 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, General Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

322. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,264 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Family Division, to 31st March, 1961.

323. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,342,221 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Field Service, to 31st March, 1961.

324. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$61,494 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Medical Services Division, to 31st March, 1961.

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

Mr. *Bruch* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Labour, as follows:—

#### REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 17th, 1960.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Pursuant to motion on February 5th, 1960, your Committee was ordered convened to study the matter of the effects of automation upon British Columbia's people and economy.

The following appeared and made submissions and written briefs:—

Submissions (listed alphabetically): British Columbia Federation of Labour, Canadian Manufacturers' Association, International Brotherhood of Railway Transport and General Workers, and International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

Briefs: International Railway Brotherhoods, Industrial Association of British Columbia, and Industrial Relations, Building and Construction Industries.

Statistics and information were not readily available to accurately delineate the effects of automation upon British Columbia's people and economy at this time. Many factors have to be considered.

Although the Committee was limited to considering the Provincial aspects of automation, nevertheless we recognize that the problem was substantially national in scope.

In view of the importance of the situation and the complex nature of the problem, those who presented briefs and records to the Committee required more time than the Committee was able to allow under the circumstances.

The Committee would recommend that the Government, through the appropriate Departments, especially Education and Labour, consider instituting and request and encourage others to institute extensive studies of the effects of automation so that more comprehensive data and information may be readily available.

The Committee considers it is not possible to submit a comprehensive report using as the basis for such report the material that has been received up to this time. As many other aspects and facets of the subject remain to be considered and studied, members of the Committee recommend that the effects of automation upon British Columbia's people and economy be again referred to the Select Standing Committee on Labour for further investigation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. J. BRUCH, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

REPORT NO. 15.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 17th, 1960.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That whereas the Corporation of the City of Victoria has advised your Committee that it does not desire to proceed with Private Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria," your Committee recommends that the deposit of \$300, paid by the said corporation, be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

The Hon. *N. P. Steacy* (Minister of Agriculture) presented the Fifty-fourth Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for 1959.

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* presented the Report of the Juvenile Delinquency Inquiry Board, constituted under the provisions of the "Juvenile Delinquency Inquiry Act, 1958."

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* moved, seconded by the Hon. *W. D. Black*,—

That on Monday, March 14th, 1960, and on all following days of the Session, there will be three distinct sittings on each day—one from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., and one from 8 p.m. until adjournment—unless otherwise ordered.

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* moved in amendment,—

To strike out the words "Monday, March 14th," in the first line, and to substitute therefor the words "Friday, March 18th."

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

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

1. What was the total number of all hospital budget deficits reported to the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance in the year 1958?

2. What amounts, if any, were paid to hospital boards to cover the deficits referred to in No. 1?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 60.

“ 2. \$482,914.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

### Thursday, March 17th, 1960

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

325. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,044,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1961.

326. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, “Residence and Responsibility Act,” to 31st March, 1961.

327. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,604 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Operation of Pavilion at New Denver, to 31st March, 1961.

328. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,244 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

329. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,627,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Maintenance of Dependent Children and Grants to Homes, to 31st March, 1961.

330. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,030 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Provincial Home, to 31st March, 1961.

331. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$446,846 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Brannen Lake School for Boys, to 31st March, 1961.

332. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$282,178 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Willingdon School for Girls, to 31st March, 1961.

333. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$295,744 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance, Blind Persons' Allowances, and Disabled Persons' Allowances Board, Administration, to 31st March, 1961.

334. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,511,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance and Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1961.

335. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$630,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1961.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,560 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1961.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$164,591 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, General Administration—Titles and Accounts, to 31st March, 1961.

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$174,836 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$46,944 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Analytical and Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$146,678 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$201,022 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Petroleum and Natural Gas Branch, to 31st March, 1961.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1961.

258. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$145,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March, 1961.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Construction of Mining-roads, to 31st March, 1961.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grubstaking Prospectors, to 31st March, 1961.

261. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Subsidy *re* Explosives to Assist Bona Fide Prospectors, to 31st March, 1961.

262. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Interprovincial Committee on Mining, to 31st March, 1961.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1961.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Special Mineral Surveys, to 31st March, 1961.

265. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,864 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1961.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, to 31st March, 1960.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Subsidies on Agricultural Lime, to 31st March, 1960.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Potato-warehouse Construction Assistance, to 31st March, 1960.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1960.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Committee, to 31st March, 1960.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1960.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Court Reporters, to 31st March, 1960.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch, to 31st March, 1960.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$44,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Policing by Royal Canadian Mounted Police, to 31st March, 1960.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$270,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm (Including Young Offenders' Unit), to 31st March, 1960.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Women's Gaol, to 31st March, 1960.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Kamloops Gaol and Forest Camp, to 31st March, 1960.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Probation Office, to 31st March, 1960.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1960.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1960.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1960.

77 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Supreme Court Act," to 31st March, 1960.

79 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Magistrates Act," to 31st March, 1960.

79A (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1960.

79B (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$127,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, General Administration, to 31st March, 1960.

79c (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$412,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, Weigh-scale Branch, to 31st March, 1960.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1960.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, High Correspondence School, to 31st March, 1960.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools and School Services, to 31st March, 1960.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teacher Registration and Examinations, to 31st March, 1960.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$991,492 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grants toward Cost of Education, to 31st March, 1960.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$420,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Superannuation Fund 6% ("Special Assistance in Cost of Education Act"), to 31st March, 1960.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Library and Library Association Grants, to 31st March, 1960.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1960.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1960.

139 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Toll Highways and Bridges Authority Act," Subsidy, to 31st March, 1960.

140A (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Flood Relief Act," to 31st March, 1960.

140B (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Official Guardian Deposits, to 31st March, 1960.



140C (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Municipal Superannuation Act," to 31st March, 1960.

140E (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Byron Ingemar Johnson Act," to 31st March, 1960.

140F (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Motive-fuel Use Tax Act," to 31st March, 1960.

140G (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Municipal Act," to 31st March, 1960.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1960.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$425,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1960.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways, Vehicle Damage Claims, to 31st March, 1960.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, to 31st March, 1960.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1960.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Lands Service, Topographic Division, to 31st March, 1960.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Salaries, to 31st March, 1960.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Expenses, to 31st March, 1960.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$520,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands and Forests, Forest Service, Fire Suppression, to 31st March, 1960.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Administration, Titles and Accounts, to 31st March, 1960.

256A (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act," to 31st March, 1960.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1960.

261A (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, "Municipal Act," to 31st March, 1960.

261B (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, "Local Services Act," to 31st March, 1960.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March, 1960.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$130,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Homes for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March, 1960.

266. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1960.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (the Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1960.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Construction and Other Grants to Charitable and Other Organizations, to 31st March, 1960.

275 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$134,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Inquiries Act," to 31st March, 1960.

279. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1960.

281 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, "Civil Service Superannuation Act," to 31st March, 1960.

284 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Services Medical Plan Act," to 31st March, 1960.

290. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1960.

305. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic (British Columbia Government Travel Bureau), to 31st March, 1960.

313. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Medical Services Division, to 31st March, 1960.

314. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,313,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1960.

318. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Maintenance of Dependent Children and Grants to Homes, to 31st March, 1960.

323. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance and Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1960.

343 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,657,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Debt Redemption, Supplementary Debt Redemption from Revenue Surplus, to 31st March, 1960.

297 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$137,958 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, "Public Utilities Act" and "Cemeteries Act," to 31st March, 1961.

298 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$205,076 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, "Motor Carrier Act," to 31st March, 1961.

The Committee reported that in consideration of Resolution No. 343 the Committee divided—25 yeas and 9 nays.

The Committee recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

The Committee asked leave to sit again.

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

YEAS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Westwood</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Shirreff</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Newton</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Wicks</i>
<i>Richter</i>			

NAYS—9.

Messieurs

<i>Squire</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Gargrave</i>			

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

The House continued to sit after midnight.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 a.m.