Monday, March 15, 1965

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. M. Alexander.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:-

Honourable Members,—The use of intemperate expressions in debate is causing this Chair some concern. While it may be understandable that honourable members from time to time become exercised and heated during debate, nevertheless this House cannot tolerate the use of language which could prove harmful to our parliamentary institution.

As I interpret the functions of the Speakership, they are to not only preserve order and decorum, but to uphold the honour and the dignity of Parliament. This I intend to do.

Such words as "falsehood," "fraud," and "hypocritical," which were used during debate on Friday last, did little to enhance the stature of the offending members but did much to detract from the image of this Legislature. History will record little of what is said here but it will long remember what is done here.

It should, therefore, be the desire and indeed it is the duty of each and every honourable member of this Assembly to refrain from the use of unparliamentary expressions in debate. I, therefore, appeal to all members to use discretion and to observe our Standing Orders in this respect.

W. H. MURRAY, Speaker.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 38) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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(ENCLOSURE)

To amend by striking out section 8 and by renumbering sections 9 and 10 as sections 8 and 9 respectively.

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. 38) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District 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. 38).

Resolution reported. Report adopted. On the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, Bill (No. 71) intituled An Act to Amend the Insurance Act was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 27) intituled An Act to Amend the Tuberculosis Institutions Act was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 33) intituled An Act to Amend the Notre Dame University of Nelson Act was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act, 1961, was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 46) intituled An Act to Amend the Small Debts Courts Act.

Bill (No. 47) intituled An Act to Amend the Conditional Sales Act, 1961.

Bill (No. 48) intituled An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.

Bill (No. 49) intituled An Act to Amend the Counties Definition Act.

Bill (No. 61) intituled An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act.

Bill (No. 62) intituled An Act to Amend the Securities Act, 1962.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 63) intituled An Act to Amend the Mechanics' Lien Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Hartley, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) initialed An Act Respecting the Furnishing and Maintenance of Security under Provincial Statutes a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Dowding, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 67) intituled An Act to Amend the Patients' Estates Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Macfarlane, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 69) intituled An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 75) intituled An Act to Amend the Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 78) intituled An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 81) intituled An Act to Amend the Sheriffs Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Macdonald, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 82) intituled An Act to Amend the Probation Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Barrett, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

Bill (No. 38) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act.

Bill (No. 39) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act.

Bill (No. 40) intituled An Act to Amend the Podiatry Act.

Bill (No. 41) intituled An Act to Amend the Health Act.

Bill (No. 42) intituled An Act to Amend the Cremation Act.

Bill (No. 43) intituled An Act to Amend the Highway Act.

Bill (No. 44) intituled An Act to Amend the Public Service Group Insurance Act.

Bill (No. 45) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Victoria Water District Act.

Bill (No. 70) intituled An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act.

Bill (No. 66) intituled An Act to Amend the Provincial Infirmaries Act.

Bill (No. 68) intituled An Act to Amend the Pharmacy Act.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 72) initialed An Act to Amend the Vocational Schools Assistance Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. McGeer, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 73) intituled An Act to Amend the Constitution Act was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled An Act to Amend the Municipal Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Macfarlane, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. McGeer, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 77) intituled An Act to Amend the Mineral Act was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 80) intituled An Act to Amend the Game Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Nimsick, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

By leave, the House reverted to "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

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

Report No. 14

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 15, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 51) intituled An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

Pursuant to Standing Order 113 your Committee calls attention of the House to the addition of section 32 to the Bill, which section is added to conform with a proposed amendment to the *Municipal Act*.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

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A. S. MATTHEW, Chairman.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

By leave, the House reverted to "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

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 15, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 54) intituled An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922, has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.02 p.m.

Tuesday, March 16, 1965

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. A. Calder.

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

Bill (No. 35) intituled An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act, 1961, was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 39) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act.

Bill (No. 40) intituled An Act to Amend the Podiatry Act.

Bill (No. 41) intituled An Act to Amend the Health Act.

Bill (No. 42) intituled An Act to Amend the Cremation Act.

Bill (No. 43) intituled An Act to Amend the Highway Act.

Bill (No. 44) intituled An Act to Amend the Public Service Group Insurance Act.

Bill (No. 45) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Victoria Water District Act.

Bill (No. 46) intituled An Act to Amend the Small Debts Courts Act.

Bill (No. 47) intituled An Act to Amend the Conditional Sales Act, 1961.

Bill (No. 48) intituled An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.

Bill (No. 49) intituled An Act to Amend the Counties Definition Act.

Bill (No. 62) intituled An Act to Amend the Securities Act, 1962.

Bill (No. 66) intituled An Act to Amend the Provincial Infirmaries Act.

Bill (No. 68) intituled An Act to Amend the Pharmacy Act.

Bill (No. 69) intituled An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act.

Bill (No. 70) intituled An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act.

Bill (No. 73) intituled An Act to Amend the Constitution Act was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 75) intituled An Act to Amend the Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act was committed, reported complete without amendments, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 77) intituled An Act to Amend the Mineral Act was committed, reported complete without amendments, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 71) intituled An Act to Amend the Insurance Act.

Bill (No. 88) intituled An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act.

Order called for "Private Bills."

Bill (No. 53) intituled An Act to Amend the Pacific National Exhibition Incorporation Act was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 54) intituled An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922, was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 56) intituled An Act to Amend the British Columbia Life & Casualty Company Act, 1958, a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 52) initialed An Act to Ratify an Agreement Bearing Date the 16th Day of November, 1964, between the City of Prince Rupert, Canadian National Railway Company, and Her Majesty the Queen in Her Right of Her Province of British Columbia was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 55) intituled An Act to Incorporate the United Home Life Insurance Company was read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled An Act Respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 23) initialed An Act to Amend the Land Act.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled An Act to Amend the Dykes Maintenance Act.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 63) intituled An Act to Amend the Mechanics' Lien Act.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled An Act Respecting the Furnishing and Maintenance of Security under Provincial Statutes.

The debate continued

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

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

The debate continued

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 67) intituled An Act to Amend the Patients' Estates Act.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 72) intituled An Act to Amend the Vocational Schools Assistance Act.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:----

YEAS-41

Messieurs

Stupich	Strachan	Kiernan	Skillings
Calder	Lundell	Williston	Little
Hartley	Smith	Bennett	Huhn
Eddie	Carnell	Bonner	Loffmark
Gargrave	Robinson	Black	Campbell
Barrett	Tisdalle	Vogel	Chant
Nimsick	Matthew	MacSorley	Peterson
Haggen, Mrs.	Bruch	McLeod	Martin
Macdonald	Price	LeCours	Gaglardi
Squire	Brothers	Chabot	Richter
Harding			

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McGeer

NAYS-4

Messieurs

Perrault

Macfarlane

PAIRS:

Messieurs

McKay

Turner

Shelford Jefcoat

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 81) initialed An Act to Amend the Sheriffs Act.

The debate continued.

Gibson

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 82) initialed An Act to Amend the Probation Act.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 34) initialed An Act to Provide for the Retirement of George Ernest Pascoe Jones a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mrs. Haggen, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled An Act Respecting Medical Grants.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:---

YEAS-30

Messieurs

Lundell	
Speare	
Smith	
Robinson	
Tisdalle	
Matthew	
Bruch	
Shelford	

Price Brothers Kiernan Williston Bennett Bonner Black

Vogel

MacSorley McLeod LeCours Chabot Skillings Little Jefcoat

Huhn Loffmark Campbell Chant Peterson Martin Richter

Messieurs

McGeer Gibson Stupich Calder Hartley Perrault Macfarlane Nimsick Haggen, Mrs.

Turner

Macdonald Squire Harding Strachan

PAIR:

Messieurs

Gaglardi

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after today.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled An Act to Establish the Universities Real Estate Development Corporation, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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Eddie

Dowding

Gargrave

Barrett

McKay

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. 90) intituled An Act to Establish the Universities Real Estate Development Corporation, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

George R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 80) intituled An Act to Amend the Game Act, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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(ENCLOSURE)

To amend section 3 by (a) striking out the word "Section" at the beginning of the first line and substituting the words "Subsection (1) of section" and (b) by striking out the figures "13" from the second line and substituting the figure "(1)".

To amend section 4 by (a) striking out the word "Section" at the beginning of the first line and substituting the words "Subsection (3) of section" and (b) by striking out the figures "38" from the second line and substituting the figure "(3)".

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. 80) intituled An Act to Amend the Game 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. 80).

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:—

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 78) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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(ENCLOSURE)

To amend section 24 by inserting in clause (b) of the proposed subsection (2) after the word "officer" in the first line the words "or an employee of the Department of Highways".

To amend section 28 by striking out all of the words of the proposed section 150 after the word "unless" in the second line and substituting the words "he can do so in safety."

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. 78) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle 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. 78).

Resolution reported. Report adopted.

7 Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:---

1. With reference to school operating costs, did the Provincial Government pay less than 50 per cent of such costs in any school districts in the calendar year 1964?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what percentages were paid in the relevant school districts in the calendar year 1964?

"1. Yes.

"2. In 39 of the 100 school districts, less than 50 per cent was paid in the calendar year 1964 to the following school districts:—

School District		Provincial Operating Grant of Net Budgeted Operating Expenses	
No.	Name	(Per Cent)	
3	Kimberley	48.57	
9	Castlegar	28.12	
10	Arrow Lakes	43.57	
11	Trail		
24	Kamloops	49.56	
26	Birch Island	43.21	
29	Lillooet		
31	Merritt	49.85	
37	Delta	44.05	
39	Vancouver		
40	New Westminster		
41	Burnaby	45.80	
43	Coquitlam	42.06	
45	West Vancouver		
46	Sechelt	13.07	
47	Powell River	21.55	
48	Howe Sound	.02	
49	Ocean Falls	15.87	
51	Portland Canal	46.74	
52	Prince Rupert		
60	Peace River North	23.73	
61	Greater Victoria		
64	Gulf Islands		
65	Cowichan		
66	Lake Cowichan		
67	Ladysmith	48.23	
68	Nanaimo		
69	Qualicum		
70	Alberni		
72	Campbell River	2.45	
73	Alert Bay		
74	Quatsino		
76	Agassiz		
79	Ucluelet-Tofino		
80	Kitimat	Nil	
Una	attached—		
	McDame Creek	Nil	
	Tahsis River		
	University Hill		
	Zeballos		

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

With respect to expenditure made in the Province for education in the year 1964:-

1. What was the total sum?

2. What portion of the total sum was expended on (a) ordinary expenditure and (b) capital expenditure?

3. What portion of the total sum was contributed by (a) the Provincial Government, (b) the city and district municipalities, and (c) by the Provincial Government on behalf of rural areas of any school district?

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

"1. \$219,128,602 (exclusive of by-law, trust, etc., funds—school districts for the calendar year 1964, other services for the fiscal year 1963/64).

"2. (a) \$177,156,464 and (b) \$41,972,138.

"3. Exclusive of the application of the home-owner grants: (a) \$99,669,579, (b) \$66,946,295 (inclusive of towns and villages), and (c) \$21,339,630."

134 Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. Does the former Kootenay School of Fine Arts in Nelson function as a division of the Nelson Vocational School?

2. If yes, has the Cultural Affairs Branch of Canada withdrawn its recognition of the above Kootenay School of Fine Arts?

3. Are students from the above school now accepted by other schools of fine arts?

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

"1. Yes, with a similar relationship to that existing between the Vancouver Vocational Institute and the Vancouver School of Art.

"2. The Department of Education has no knowledge of any correspondence from the Cultural Affairs Branch of Canada in respect to recognition or withdrawal of recognition.

"3. Numerous students have been transferred from the Kootenay School of Art to other schools of fine art and similarly the school has accepted students from other similar institutions. No admittance reciprocity agreements exist between this school and others as student acceptance is usually based on individual merit."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,026 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$68,318 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, General Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

170. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$61,422 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Agent-General's Office and British Columbia House, London, England, to 31st March, 1966.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$236,337 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, 1966.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$414,895 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Mechanical Tabulation Division, to 31st March, 1966.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$68,322 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Industrial and Trade Office, to 31st March, 1966.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,785 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, British Columbia House, San Francisco, to 31st March, 1966.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1966.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Advertising and Publicity, to 31st March, 1966.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Trade Promotion, to 31st March, 1966.

178. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Provincial Exhibits, British Columbia Building, to 31st March, 1966.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$275,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Grants to British Columbia Research Council, to 31st March, 1966.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on a point of order relating to Bill No. 34, as follows:—

Honourable Members,—A point of order was raised this afternoon during the resumed debate on the second reading of Bill No. 34, upon which my decision was reserved. The point of order taken was that Bill No. 34 is out of order for the reason that the *Purchasing Commission Act* already provides a method by which a member of the Commission may be removed from office, namely, by address of the Legislative Assembly. In support the following authorities were cited: May, 16th edition, page 255, and Parliamentary Debates, House of Commons, 1675, page 351, dealing with the appointment and removal of Parliamentary officers at Westminster. It was also pointed out that our Standing Order No. 1 provides that in all cases not provided for by our Rules, the usages and customs of the House of Commons of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland are applicable.

We are not here considering a procedural matter not provided for in our Standing Orders. What is in issue is the right of this House to consider further legislation touching upon a subject-matter already provided for in our Statutes. The undoubted right of this House so to do is confirmed by section 23 (*h*) of the *Interpretation Act*, chapter 199, R.S.B.C. 1960, which reads as follows: "Every Act shall be construed as to reserve to the Legislature the power of repealing or amending it and of revoking, restricting, or modifying any power, privilege, or advantage thereby vested in or granted to any person or party whenever such repeal, amendment, revocation, restriction, or modification is deemed by the Legislature to be required for the public good."

In my opinion any Bill is in order subject only to constitutional limitations and those arising from the prerogatives of the Crown. Accordingly Bill No. 34 is in order and I so rule.

W. H. MURRAY, Speaker.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.49 p.m.

Wednesday, March 17, 1965

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. A. G. MacLeod.

The Hon. R. R. Loffmark (Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce) presented a copy of a letter regarding the price of asbestos-cement pipe.

On the motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, *Bill* (No. 91) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. W. A. C. Bennett, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled An Act Respecting Proceedings against the Crown a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order for the reason that, in the hands of a private member, a Bill interfering with Crown prerogatives must have the sanction of the Crown, which sanction had not been obtained. (*See* Speaker's rulings, Journals, 1881, pages 22 and 23, and Journals, 1962, page 190.)

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled An Act to Amend the Purchasing Commission Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled An Act Respecting Privacy a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled An Act to Amend the Fireworks Regulation Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. W. K. Kiernan, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled An Act to Amend the Equal Pay Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. W. D. Black, for the Hon. L. R. Peterson, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. W. A. C. Bennett, the House reverted to "Committee of Supply."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 19) intituled An Act Respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 17, 1965.

(ENCLOSURE)

To amend section 2 (a) by striking out the words "not defined as petroleum" from the second line of the definition of "natural gas" and substituting the words "which are not defined as petroleum, and includes hydrogen sulphide contained therein", (b) by inserting before the word "land" in the second line of clause (a) of the definition of "occupant" the words "surface of the", and (c) by inserting before the word "land" in the second line of clause (b) of the definition of "occupant" the words "surface of the", and (c) by inserting before the word "land" in the second line of clause (b) of the definition of "occupant" the words "surface of the".

To amend section 3 by striking out the words "Drilling and Production" following the word and figure "Division (3).—" under Part VI and substituting the words "Drilling Requirements".

To insert the following as section 18A:-

"18A. (1) Subject to section 18, the holder of a location is liable to make compensation to the owner or the lawful occupant of the land, or to both, for any loss or damage caused by reason of his entry or operations; but where the surface of a location issued under this Act is on Crown land, the surface rights to which,

subsequent to the issuance of the location, are disposed of by the Crown, the holder of the location is liable to compensate the transferee of the surface rights for unimproved land required for his operation to an amount per acre not greater than the amount per acre which he would be required to pay to the Crown for unimproved land, and to compensate the transferee for improved land to an amount which the Board deems just.

"(2) In the case of Crown land, no unnecessary damage shall be done, and where such damage is done, the Board, on complaint by the Minister, may determine compensation payable to the Crown."

To amend section 19 (a) by striking out the words "each person who has an interest in the land" from the first and second lines of clause (b) of subsection (2) and substituting the words "the occupant or his agent" and (b) by inserting after the word "Province" in the third line of clause (b) of subsection (2) the words "and such other persons as the Board may direct".

To amend section 28 by striking out subsection (3).

To amend section 48 by striking out the words "or licence" from the third line of subsection (1) and substituting the words ", or a licence where a boundary of a permit and licence coincide".

To amend section 49 by striking out the word "before" from the first line of subsection (1) and substituting the word "when".

To amend section 51 by striking out the words "that he has undertaken under clause (b) of subsection (1) to do or " from the second and third lines of subsection (6).

To amend section 62 by striking out the word "Minister" from the second line of clause (b) of subsection (2) and substituting the word "Commissioner".

To amend by striking out the words "and Production" from the heading preceding section 64 and substituting the word "Requirements".

To amend section 69 (a) by striking out all of the words of subsection (2) following the words "under clause (a)" in the third line and substituting the words "by the depth of the deepest commercial well drilled under the licence" and (b) by adding the following as subsection (3):—

"(3) A lease issued under subsection (2) shall not include any zone, the development of which is authorized by the licence, in which a commercial gas well has not been completed."

To amend section 77 by striking out the word "Division" from the first line of subsection (1) and substituting the word "Act".

To amend section 78 by striking out the word "an" from the third line and substituting the words "a royalty".

To amend section 83 by striking out the word "Department" from the first line of clause (a) and substituting the word "Commissioner".

To amend section 85 by striking out the words "the surveyed section" from the third line of clause (b) and substituting the words "each section and the boundaries of each spacing area for a petroleum well shall coincide with the boundaries of each quarter-section".

To amend section 88 (a) by striking out the word "normal" from the second line of subsection (1) and from the fourth line of subsection (1), (b) by striking out the word "normal" from the second, fifth, and seventh lines of subsection (2), (c) by striking out the word "normal" from the first line of clause (a) of subsection (5), and (d) by striking out the word "normal" from the second and fifth lines of clause (a) of subsection (7).

To amend section 89 by inserting after the word "Majesty" in the second line the words "the Queen".

To amend section 91 by striking out the word "If" at the beginning of the first line and substituting the words "Notwithstanding section 90, if".

To amend section 98 by inserting after the word "fee" in the first line of clause (a) the words "and drilling deposit".

To amend section 113 (a) by inserting after the word "or" in the second line of clause (a) the word "other" and (b) by inserting after the words "disposition of" in clause (aa) the words "drilling or other".

To amend section 152 (a) by striking out the figure "(1)" following the word "subsection" from the second line of subsection (3) and substituting the figure "(2)" and (b) by striking out the word "thereof" from the second line of subsection (3) and substituting the words " of the former Act".

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. 19) intituled *An Act Respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas*, 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. 19).

Resolution reported. Report adopted.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, 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.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 79) intituled An Act to Amend the Forest Act, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting after today. **19** 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 31, 1964?

2. (a) How many are graduate psychiatric nurses and (b) how many are registered nurses?

3. Did any nurses resign during the year 1964?

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. 275.

"2. (a) 260 and (b) 15.

"3. Yes.

"4. (a) 41 and (b) one."

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

With reference to Ginter Contracting Company, Midwest Construction Company, Atlas Construction Company, Western Sand & Gravel Limited, Ben Ginter Construction Company (1958) Limited, View Construction Company, and Ben Ginter Construction Company:—

1. Have any moneys been paid to any of these companies for equipment rental during 1964?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, which companies were so paid and, in the case of each company, what is the total amount they have received?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:---

"1. Yes.

"2. Atlas Construction Company, \$45,268.18; View Construction Company, \$55,857.05; and Ben Ginter Construction Company, \$183,361.79."

120 Mr. Calder asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

With respect to the Stewart-Hyder Road:---

1. Has any work been done on the road since January 1, 1963?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the total cost to date of the work?

3. Have any private contractors been paid for work on this road?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) what are the names of the contractors and (b) what amount was each contractor paid?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:-

"1. Yes.

"2. \$106,884.76.

"3. Yes.

"4. Ben Ginter Construction Company Limited, \$67,636.62; A. C. Mc-Eachern Company Limited, \$1,507; Stewart-Cassiar Distributors Limited, \$4,032; Granby Construction Company Limited, \$104; and N.B.C. Power Company Limited, \$2,156.19."

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160 Mr. Nimsick asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following question:—

Is the Highways Department building a highway from Cassiar to Stewart and, if so, (a) how many miles have been built, (b) how many miles remain to be completed, and (c) how many miles of this road are in operation for traffic at the present time?

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi replied as follows:— "Yes; (a) 301, (b) 93, and (c) 301."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, March 17, 1965

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress. 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. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.13 p.m.

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Thursday, March 18, 1965

Prayers by Canon C. H. Butler.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,564 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$103,218 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, General Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

189. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Grant to British Columbia Natural Resources Conference, to 31st March, 1966.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,218 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Accounting Division, to 31st March, 1966.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,890 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1966.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Investigation of Doukhobor Lands, to 31st March, 1966.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$213,504 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Lands Branch, Land Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Lands Branch, Pre-servicing Crown Lands Proposed for Sale or Lease, to 31st March, 1966.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$383,002 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Lands Branch, Inspection Division, to 31st March, 1966.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,920 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Special Commitments, to 31st March, 1966.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$483,840 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Legal Surveys Division, to 31st March, 1966.

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199. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$177,055 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Geographic Division, to 31st March, 1966.

200. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$388,589 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Topographic Division, to 31st March, 1966.

201. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$276,928 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Air Division, to 31st March, 1966.

202. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, University Endowment Lands Administration Act, to 31st March, 1966.

203. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,511,337 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, General Administration, Protection, and Management of Forests, to 31st March, 1966.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$653,462 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1966.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$249,912 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1966.

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,702 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Public Information and Education, to 31st March, 1966.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$118,662 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forest Service Training-school, to 31st March, 1966.

208. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March, 1966.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,977,832 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Engineering Services and Forest-development Roads, to 31st March, 1966.

210. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,400,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Fire Suppression, to 31st March, 1966.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$877,660 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forest Surveys, to 31st March, 1966.

212. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Scaling Fund, to 31st March, 1966.

213. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,682,150 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Silviculture, to 31st March, 1966.

214. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Grazing Range Improvement Fund, to 31st March, 1966.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Peace River Community Pastures, to 31st March, 1966.

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Peace River Power Timber Salvage, to 31st March, 1966.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,362 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, General Administration, to 31st March, 1966.

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$474,645 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$335,248 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Water Investigations Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$251,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Water Investigations and Hydraulic Surveys and Projects, to 31st March, 1966.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Okanagan Flood Control, to 31st March, 1966.

222. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$720,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Canada-British Columbia Joint Development Act, to 31st March, 1966.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,478 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Southern Okanagan Lands Project, to 31st March, 1966.

224. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Assistance to Improvement Districts, to 31st March, 1966.

225. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, B.C. Hydrometric Stream-gauging, to 31st March, 1966.

226. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Canadian Council of Resources Ministers, to 31st March, 1966.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, *Pollution-control Act*, to 31st March, 1966.

The Committee reported the Resolutions. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. **18** Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance the following questions:—

With respect to hospital construction:-

1. What was the total sum spent on construction of acute hospital accommodation in British Columbia in the year ended December 31, 1964?

2. How much of that sum was provided by the Provincial Government?

3. How much of that sum was provided by the Federal Government?

4. How much of that sum was provided by municipal governments, hospital improvement districts, and fund raising?

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

"1. The total sum spent on construction of acute hospital accommodation in British Columbia in the year ended December 31, 1964, was \$7,345,400.

"2. \$3,546,072 of that sum was provided by the Provincial Government.

"3. \$1,011,965 of that sum was provided by the Federal Government.

"4. \$2,787,363 of that sum was provided by municipal governments, hospital improvement districts, fund raising, and church organizations.

"NOTE. — Funds expended reflect only the actual amount of construction accomplished by the hospitals concerned and do not indicate either the amount of money made available by the Provincial Government for actual construction within the year or the total value of the projects under construction. The hospitals determine the rate of progress of their hospital-construction projects and, therefore, the release of Provincial Government grants committed to projects is governed by this factor."

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

With respect to The Woodlands School:-

1. Is there a known number of patients awaiting entry?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many were known to be waiting as at December 31, 1964?

3. Were there any empty beds in The Woodlands School as at December 31, 1964?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) how many and (b) what was the reason?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. 228 require admission in the near future.

"3. No, all beds are assigned.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"NOTE.—In the first three months of 1965 there were 70 patients transferred from The Woodlands School to The Tranquille School, thereby releasing this number of beds in The Woodlands School for admissions."

25 Mr. *Hartley* 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. As of February 12, 1965, male, 327; female, 194; and total, 521.

"2. As of December 31, 1964, 219.

"3. (a) Resident psychiatrists, 1; (b) psychiatric nurses, 61; registered nurses, 4; and (c) psychiatric aides, 76.

"NOTE.—An additional transfer of 50 patients from The Woodlands School to The Tranquille School was effected March 16, 1965, while 20 patients were transferred between January 1, 1965, and February 12, 1965."

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

How many male and how many female patients were admitted to The Woodlands School during the calendar year 1964?

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

"145 male patients and 84 female patients, total, 229.

"NOTE.—In the first three months of 1965 another 70 patients were transferred from The Woodlands School to The Tranquille School, thereby releasing this number of beds in The Woodlands School which are being filled by admissions from the community."

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

With reference to the answer to Question No. 109, recorded in the Journals for 1964, regarding a planning committee to prepare for the construction of additional beds for the mentally retarded:—

1. Have any additional beds been provided at Tranquille or Victoria?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many beds in each place?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Tranquille, 70 beds provided and now in use and a further 100 beds have gone to tender; Victoria, planning for a 400-bed unit for Victoria is advancing.

"NOTE.—The provision of new beds at The Tranquille School will permit a transfer of patients from The Woodlands School, thereby releasing beds at The Woodlands School for admissions from the community."

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

With respect to The Woodlands School:

1. How many applications for admission were received in the year ended December 31, 1964?

2. Of these, how many were accepted for admission on (a) a permanent basis and (b) other than a permanent basis?

3. How many applicants were awaiting admission as of December 31, 1964?

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

" 1. 101.

"2. (a) 9 and (b) 15.

"3. 228 awaiting admission in the near future."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.51 p.m.

Thursday, March 18, 1965

HALE-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

228. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$27,076 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1966.

229. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$232,898 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, General Administration-Titles and Accounts, to 31st March, 1966.

230. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$231,164 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

231. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$54,864 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Analytical and Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

232. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$232,456 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

233. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$270,414 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Petroleum and Natural Gas Branch, to 31st March, 1966.

234. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$22,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1966.

235. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$325,000 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, 1966.

236. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources. Construction of Mining-roads, to 31st March, 1966.

237. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources. Grubstaking Prospectors, to 31st March, 1966.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Interprovincial Committee on Mining, to 31st March, 1966.

239. *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, 1966.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Special Mineral Surveys, to 31st March, 1966.

241. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Iron Bounty Act, to 31st March, 1966.

242. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1966.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.25 p.m.

Friday, March 19, 1965

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. Z. Van Druten.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. W. D. Black, it was Ordered that the Rules be suspended to permit the moving, without notice, of a motion concerning the payment of remuneration to Arthur James Turner, Esquire.

Moved by the Hon. W. D. Black, seconded by the Hon. R. W. Bonner,-

Whereas Arthur James Turner, Esquire, member for Vancouver East, has been unable to attend all the meetings of the present Session owing to illness:

And whereas *Arthur James Turner*, Esquire, has for many years been a member of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia and it is just and reasonable that he should be paid the full sessional allowance:

Therefore be it Resolved, That pursuant to section 68 of the Constitution Act and all other powers thereunto enabling, the full sessional allowance, expenses, and other allowances payable to a member of the Legislative Assembly for the current Session be paid to Arthur James Turner, Esquire, without any deduction by reason of any non-attendance of the said Arthur James Turner, Esquire, during the Session.

Motion agreed to nemine contradicente.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 88) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 19, 1965.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 2 (a): To amend by adding the following as subsection (3) of the proposed section 7c:—

"(3) Debenture debts under subsection (2) include indebtedness of The Corporation of the District of Powell River incurred under section 247 of the *Municipal* Act and section 13 of the *Powell River Incorporation Act*, being chapter 108 of the Statutes of 1955, which are not chargeable to a specified area under the latter Act."

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. 88) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating 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. 88).

Resolution reported. Report adopted.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 76) intituled An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 19, 1965.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 8: To amend by striking out the words "benefit or" from the first line of clause (b) of the proposed section 135A and substituting the words "financial benefit or financial".

Section 11 (2): To amend the proposed subsection (4) of section 138 by inserting the words "or bonuses, or both" after the word "salaries" in the fourth line.

Section 13: To strike out section 13 and substitute the following:-

"13. Subsection (2) of section 140 is amended (a) by inserting after the word 'salaries' in the fourth line the words 'or bonuses, or both,' (b) by striking out the word 'fixed' from the fourth line and substituting the word 'established', and (c) by inserting after the word 'salaries' in the fifth line the words 'or bonuses, or both,' so that the subsection shall read as follows:—

"'(2) The award of a Salary Arbitration Board is final and binding on the Board of School Trustees and the teacher or teachers in respect of whom arbitration is invoked, and shall not be affected by another arbitration award made under this Act; and where salaries or bonuses, or both, have been established by the Board, such salaries or bonuses, or both, shall be adjusted in accordance with the award."

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. 76) intituled An Act to Amend the Public Schools 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. 76).

Resolution reported. Report adopted.

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

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

Bill (No. 38) intituled An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act.

Bill (No. 73) intituled An Act to Amend the Constitution Act.

Bill (No. 7) intituled An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act was committed, reported complete without amendments, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled An Act Respecting Petroleum and Natural Gas was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled An Act to Amend the Land Act.

Bill (No. 29) intituled An Act to Amend the Dykes Maintenance Act.

Bill (No. 36) intituled An Act Respecting Medical Grants was committed, reported complete without amendments.

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 36) a debate arose. The House divided.

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Motion agreed to on the following division: -

Speare	Price	Vogel	Huhn
Smith	Brothers	MacSorley	Loffmark
Carnell	Kiernan	McLeod	Campbell
Robinson	Williston	Chabot	Chant
Tisdalle	Bennett	Skillings	Peterson
Bruch	Bonner	Little	Martin
Shelford	Black	Jefcoat	Richter
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Messieurs

Stupich Calder Hartley Eddie Dowding Gargrave Barrett McKay

Perrault Macfarlane Nimsick Haggen, Mrs. Squire Harding Strachan

PAIRS:

Messieurs

Gaglardi LeCours Lundell Matthew Turner McGeer Gibson Macdonald

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 88) intituled An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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(ENCLOSURE)

Section 2: To amend by adding after the word "Act" in the last line the words ", and the constituted Regional Planning Board is deemed to have been established on such date by Order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council pursuant to subsection (3) or the said section 720."

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. 88) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating 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. 88).

Resolution reported. Report adopted. Mr. Shelford presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries, as follows:—

Report

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 19, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Pursuant to motion of February 2, 1965, your Committee was ordered convened to study the following matter:-

Resolved, That the listed reports requested last Session from the Forest Service be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries to consider

- (a) a report on the operation of the 30-50-per-cent contract clause in tree farm licence documents;
- (b) a report on the changes in quota during 1964;
- (c) a report regarding alleged blackmail practices as they relate to bidding for Crown timber;

and to study

- (a) proposed amendments to Parts IV and V of the *Forest Act* in the matter of timber leases and special timber licences designed to bring legislation in line with modern conditions;
- (b) the position of the sawlog operator within public sustained-yield units in a developing pulp harvest economy;
- (c) the management techniques to be followed in the sale of timber in the non-regulated area east and west of Mission City.

Eighteen meetings were held and representations were heard from the following:-

Forestry officials, Mr. McKee, Deputy Minister, Mr. Knight, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Swannell, and Mr. McKinnon.

Mr. M. Riley on behalf of Albas Timber Company Limited.

Mr. R. H. Thurston on behalf of McMahon Lumber Company, Totem Pole and Piling Limited, and Anaconda Company (Canada) Limited.

Mr. Davis on behalf of Doman Enterprises.

Mr. Moore on behalf of the Truck Loggers' Association.

Mr. Frantz on behalf of Cariboo-P.G.E. Lumber Manufacturers' Association.

Mr. Wood on behalf of Weldwood Lumber Company.

Mr. Frewer on behalf of Independent Timber Converters' Association.

Mr. D. Franks on behalf of Tyee Forest Products Limited.

Mr. P. J. Brennan on behalf of Independent Squamish Logging Operators Limited.

Mr. Bennett on behalf of group of companies operating in the Kamloops region.

Mr. Perkins on behalf of Independent Logging and Sawmill Operators of Pemberton.

Canadian Forest Products Limited.

Western Canadian Regional Council No. 1 of the International Woodworkers of America.

Council of Forest Industries of B.C.

Canadian Collieries Resources Limited.

MacMillan, Bloedel and Powell River (B.C.) Limited.

Netherlands Overseas Mills Limited. Northern Cedar Company Limited. Crown Zellerbach Canada Limited. British Columbia Federation of Labour. Cottonwood Forest Association.

1. The Forestry Committee appreciates the manner in which the Forestry Department collected and presented three reports which had been requested by the Committee last year in regard to

- (a) a report on the operation of the 30-50-per-cent contract clause in treefarm licence documents;
- (b) a report on the changes in quota during 1964;
- (c) a report regarding alleged blackmail practices as they relate to bidding for Crown timber.

(1) Your Committee recommends a continual review of the 30–50-per-cent cutting clause in tree-farm licences, and requests copies of the proposed written contracts and newspaper advertisements for contractors in cases where companies are not using contractors for reason.

(2) Evidence was presented that in some Interior sustained-yield units ownership of cutting rights was confined to but one or two operators. Under such conditions the Forest Service should require additional management responsibilities from these quota-holders since the area can most closely be compared with a tree-farm. Your Committee also recommends a study of the economic effects of quota exchanges on manpower use, on the costs of production, and on community development.

(3) There was no evidence presented to the Committee in respect to blackmail practices as they relate to bidding for Crown timber.

2. Your Committee recognizes the problem of timber supply affecting the land-based operators in the unregulated area of Mission and recommends that the Forest Service review the possibility of creating a special sale area, as requested, just east of Mission.

3. (a) Your Committee gives approval to amendments to Parts IV and V of the Forest Act as finally submitted, as set out in Bill 79, An Act to Amend the Forest Act, 1965.

(b) Your Committee observes that some companies holding temporary tenure such as timber leases, licences, and pulp leases will have a serious problem of assured timber supply when their holdings revert to the Crown. The Committee recommends a study of this problem since it is a fact that many of these tenures are being managed on an intensive sustained-yield basis and it may be in the public interest to encourage such types of management.

4. The Committee heard a number of briefs on the possible effects of establishing a pulp harvesting area over an established sawlog economy. It was felt that it is too early to make any firm recommendations since no pulp-mill based on such an area is yet in production. However, it is recommended that for better utilization as much small wood as possible be processed in sawmills, provided they are equipped to see that waste is converted to chips. It is recommended a continuing study be made as it affects all phases of economy and community, particularly when some of these pulp-mills come into production. The Committee wants to be assured that waste and small wood are being utilized to best advantage.

5. Your Committee accepts the fact that industry and other interested parties do not have sufficient time to investigate properly problems proposed for study when the terms of reference come in after the start of each Session. As a result of study and experience, it is recommended that industry and any other interested parties send suggestions for Committee examination at the next Session to the Minister or

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to the Chairman of the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries for the 1965 Session. Following consultation between these two, the Minister should be empowered to indicate to industry and members of the Committee by September 1st of each year proposed terms of reference which would be subject to approval by the Legislature when it next meets, and notices of all official public hearings be sent to all members of the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CYRIL M. SHELFORD, Chairman.

The report was taken as read and received.

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

1. Were any children who are wards of the Superintendent of Child Welfare awaiting entry to The Woodlands School as at December 31, 1964?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how are these retarded children cared for, (b) for what length of time have these retarded children been awaiting entry, and (c) how many of these children were awaiting entry at December 31, 1964?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) In general hospitals, foster or boarding homes, (b) for varying periods of time, and (c) 17."

83 Mr. Perrault asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

With respect to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway:-

1. In the years ended December 31, 1963, and December 31, 1964, did any rolling-stock derailments occur on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) by years, what was the damage in terms of dollars, (b) how many lives were lost, if any, and (c) what was the cost of equipment replacement and repairs to equipment and right-of-way?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) The Uniform Classification of Accounts for Class 1 Common Carriers by the Railway Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada, which is the basis of accounting for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, does not separate derailment costs as such, (b) two, and (c) the answer to No. 2 (a) also applies to No. 2 (c)."

118 Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With reference to A. L. Williamson Limited and A. L. Williamson:-

1. Has any department of the Government or any Crown agency paid moneys to this company or this person since 1952?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) on what date was each payment made, (b) what was the amount of each payment, and (c) for what services was each payment made?

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

"1. Yes, to A. Williamson Limited.

"2. (a), (b), and (c) By the Government: May 29, 1958, \$653.35, expenses re Royal visit; July 23, 1958, \$297.80, expenses re Royal visit; August 27, 1958, \$6,188.53, expenses re Royal visit; October 17, 1958, \$166.55, expenses re Royal visit; October 28, 1958, \$25, expenses re Royal visit; May 15, 1959, \$510.23, expenses re Royal visit; June 1, 1959, \$105, expenses re Industrial and Trade Conference; June 22, 1959, \$655.91, expenses re Royal visit; August 31, 1959, \$4,396.23, expenses re Royal visit; October 1, 1959, \$1,048.42, expenses re Royal visit; October 2, 1959, \$167.31, expenses re Royal visit; October 21, 1959, \$3.30, expenses re Royal visit; November 20, 1959, \$3.30, expenses re Royal visit.

"By the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company: (a) A monthly retainer fee as public relations consultant commencing June, 1956, and terminating as at October 31, 1964, and thereafter a service fee until a permanent staff position was filled on February 15, 1965, (b) \$500 per month plus invoice costs for printing, photography, typesetting, press clipping services, and other miscellaneous expenses paid on behalf of the company, related to public relations work, and (c) various public relations services, including the employee magazine, annual report, press and radio releases."

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

When invitations were issued by the Premier on his letterhead on the occasion of the bond-issue breakfast held in July, 1964:—

1. Did the Hon. the Premier personally sign each invitation?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, (a) by what means or method were the said signatures affixed to the said invitations, (b) who supervised the equipment or means used to affix the said signatures, (c) how many invitations were sent out, (d) in whose custody were the master plates or plates used for the invitations kept, (e) what disposal was made of the said master plates used to print the said invitations, and (f) was there a separate master plate used for signatures?

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

"1 and 2. These invitations bore the signature of W. C. Budd, Executive Assistant to the Premier."

132 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:--

Regarding British Columbia Hydro activity in the Duncan Dam area:---

1. How much money was spent by British Columbia Hydro on the Lardeau– Duncan Dam Road in 1964?

2. How much money has been allocated by British Columbia Hydro for road improvements and paving from Kaslo to Lardeau?

3. How much of the Kaslo to Lardeau allocation for roads was spent in 1964 by British Columbia Hydro?

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

"1. \$476,351.

"2. \$200,000 for road improvements.

"3. Work costing approximately \$125,000 was undertaken for the Authority by the Department of Highways on this road in 1964." 135 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

1. What was the cost to the British Columbia Power Commission of the clearing that was done around Buttle Lake?

2. How many acres were involved?

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

"1. \$8,249,204.

"2. 7,969 acres."

136 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. What is the estimated cost to British Columbia Hydro of clearing and beautifying the reservoir area behind the Duncan Dam?

2. How many acres in the Duncan basin will be flooded?

3. Will the entire reservoir area be cleared of debris prior to the initial filling of the reservoir?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, how many acres will be cleared prior to the initial filling of the reservoir?

5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, what are the reasons?

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

"1. Still under study.

"2. Estimated, 10,400 acres.

"3. No.

"4. Estimated, 2,100 acres.

"5. The clearing specifications did not require complete clearing of the reservoir. In lieu of complete clearing British Columbia Hydro is required to construct a 40-mile access road from Argenta to the head of the reservoir above flood level to enable logging of timber below flood level prior to flooding and development of resources in the Duncan watershed after flooding."

137 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. What is the estimated cost to British Columbia Hydro of clearing and beautifying the reservoir area behind the Arrow Dam?

2. How many acres in the Arrow reservoir basin will be flooded?

3. Will the entire reservoir area be cleared of debris prior to the initial filling of the reservoir?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, how many acres will be cleared prior to the initial filling of the reservoir?

5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, what are the reasons?

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

"1. Still under study.

"2. Estimated, 24,700 acres.

"3. Complete clearing of the reservoir area prior to flooding is being scheduled."

138 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. What is the estimated cost to British Columbia Hydro of clearing and beautifying the reservoir area behind the Mica Dam?

2. How many acres in the Mica basin will be flooded?

3. Will the entire basin be cleared of debris prior to the initial filling of the reservoir?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, how many acres will be cleared prior to the initial filling of the reservoir?

5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, what are the reasons?

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

"1. Still under study.

"2. Estimated, 86,000 acres.

"3. Clearing specifications in regard to the Mica reservoir area have not yet been issued."

139 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

1. Will British Columbia Hydro relocate the Robson-Deer Park Road which will be flooded by the Arrow Dam?

2. If yes, have relocations surveys been made?

3. When were these surveys made?

4. What is the estimated cost?

5. If the answer to No. 1 is no, what reasons are given for this decision?

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

"1. No.

"2, 3, and 4. See No. 1.

"5. (a) Almost all of the people served by the road will be displaced by the new water-levels, (b) after flooding there will not be enough suitable waterfront to warrant construction of a road, upland areas can be obtained elsewhere in the Castlegar-Trail-Nelson area more economically, (c) any relocated road would be subject to hazards caused by wave erosion, recurrent bank sloughing, and continued accumulation of rockfall and talus piles, and (d) the construction of even a low-standard road would be extremely costly, the benefits realized would not justify the costs."

140 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Have the cemetery-sites at Burton, East Arrow Park, and Fauquier been relocated by British Columbia Hydro?

2. If yes, how many acres were set aside for each new cemetery?

3. Has the clearing been done on these sites?

4. Were tenders called for the above clearing?

- 5. If yes, how many tenders were submitted for each individual site?
- 6. If answer to No. 4 is no, on what basis was clearing done?
- 7. Who obtained the contract for the clearing of each site?

8. What was the total cost paid for clearing each site?

9. If clearing not already done, when will projects be completed?

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

"1. The cemeteries at Burton, East Arrow Park, and Fauquier have not been relocated by British Columbia Hydro but a new cemetery-site has been opened at Burton. Other new cemeteries will be established as necessary to meet resettlement requirements.

"2. At Burton, about 2 acres are being developed for cemetery purposes.

"3. The clearing has been completed at the new Burton cemetery."

"4 and 5. Proposals for clearing the Burton cemetery were obtained from two local residents.

"6. Not applicable.

"7. Mr. Lloyd Parkyn, of Burton, performed the clearing at the Burton cemetery.

"8. The cost of clearing and levelling the Burton cemetery, including disposal of all trees and brush excepting cedar poles (cedar was stockpiled for later use in constructing fences), was \$1,400.

"9. Not applicable."

141 Mr. Strachan asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Did the Government burn any Provincial or Provincial-guaranteed bonds during 1965?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) on what date or dates were they burned, (b) what were the series numbers of the bonds, (c) in what amounts and for what purposes were the moneys raised when the bonds were issued, (d) on what dates were the moneys borrowed, (e) what was the due date for repayment of these moneys, (f) did any part of the moneys used to retire these bonds come, directly or indirectly, from the general revenues of the Province and, if so, in what amounts and in what years were these amounts paid to the Crown corporation, and (h) what was the total value of the bonds?

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

"1. No.

"2. Not applicable."

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

1. What persons, excluding the Premier and members of the Executive Council and the Lieutenant-Governor, arriving by automobile are given priority over regular patrons waiting in line to drive aboard British Columbia Ferry vessels?

2. If any other persons are given priority as aforesaid, who are they, by name?

3. Do any such persons referred to in No. 2 above have passes?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are their names?

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

"1. Three British Columbia Ferry Authority management personnel (Messrs. Aldous, Worley, Weston) and emergency cases. Executive Council not given priority.

"2, 3, and 4. See No. 1."

148 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

Regarding the Columbia River Treaty:-

1. What is the return to Canada per kilowatt-hour for the power sold to American interests under the treaty?

2. What part of this return is due to the "at site" sale of power?

3. What part of this return is due to flood-control benefits?

4. What part of this return is due to the difference in exchange between American and Canadian currency?

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

"1. The return to Canada per kilowatt-hour on the agreed Canadian entitlement for downstream benefits is 5.6 mills Canadian. "2. Of this 5.6 mills, the downstream power benefit payments account for 4.7 mills.

"3. Of this 5.6 mills, the flood-control benefit payments account for 0.9 mill.

"4. The figures quoted above are based on \$1 United States equals \$1.08 Canadian."

151 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

Regarding the Columbia River Treaty:-

1. What period of time is involved in the sale of our downstream benefits to American interests under the treaty?

2. Will all the downstream benefits from our storage dams under the treaty be sold to American interests for the above stipulated period?

3. What is the estimated total amount of kilowatt-hours that will be sold to the American interests from downstream benefits for the above period of time?

4. What is the maximum annual amount of kilowatt-hours from downstream benefits which will be sold under the treaty?

5. What is the minimum annual amount of kilowatt-hours from downstream benefits which will be sold under the treaty?

6. What is the annual amount, in kilowatt-hours, that will be available for Canadian use or sale at the conclusion of the sale period outlined in No. 1?

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

"1. The downstream power benefits have been sold (a) from Duncan for a period of 30 years commencing April 1, 1968, (b) from Arrow for a period of 30 years commencing April 1, 1969, and (c) from Mica for a period of 30 years commencing April 1, 1973.

"2. Yes.

"3. The agreement on the sales of the downstream power benefits was not based primarily on a certain number of kilowatt-hours. Because there was no way of working out in advance the exact amounts of power, it was agreed by both sides for computation purposes that the total number of kilowatt-hours in the Canadian entitlement would be 130,000 million kilowatt-hours.

"4. In the agreed entitlement the number of kilowatt-hours was estimated to be approximately 6,600 million kilowatt-hours in 1973/74 and approximately 800 million kilowatt-hours in 2002/03.

"5. See No. 4 above.

"6. The estimated annual number of kilowatt-hours available for Canadian use or sale at the conclusion of the sales agreement will be 1,800 million kilowatthours."

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

1. What sum is paid by coach lines for every bus passenger provided by them to the British Columbia Ferry Authority for the Departure Bay-Horseshoe Bay run?

2. How many such passenger fares were there in the last fiscal year?

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

"1. The coach lines are dealt with on a quantity discount basis which works out to \$1.40 per adult passenger and 70 cents per half-fare passenger.

"2. Adult passengers, 195,799; half-fare passengers, 9,207."

157 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:---

Regarding the Anaconda Company and its holdings at Britannia Beach:-

1. How many acres of land were owned by the Anaconda Company in the Britannia Beach area in the year 1964?

2. What is the total assessed value of (a) the land and (b) the improvements on the above property in 1964?

3. What is the total tax levied on the above property for (a) the land and (b) the improvements for the year 1964?

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

"1. 2,226.69 acres.

"2. (a) \$149,708 and (b) \$1,511,207.

"3. (a) \$5,236.87 and (b) \$32,841.27."

162 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

Regarding the Public Utilities Commission and the West Kootenay Light and Power Company:----

1. What is the annual maximum percentage rate of earnings allowed for a private utility under the *Public Utilities Act*?

2. What was the annual percentage rate of earnings for the West Kootenay Light and Power Company for the years (a) 1962, (b) 1963, and (c) 1964?

3. What were the net earnings of the West Kootenay Light and Power Company for the years (a) 1962, (b) 1963, and (c) 1964?

4. Was any rate reduction made in the West Kootenay Light and Power Company's franchise area in 1964?

5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, where were the rate reductions made?

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

"1. A public utility is allowed to earn a fair and reasonable return upon the appraised value of its property used or prudently and reasonably acquired to enable the public utility to furnish the service. The term 'private utility' is not used in the Act.

"2. See answer to No. 3.

"3. The Public Utilities Commission reported that in 1962 West Kootenay Power and Light Company Limited had an earned return of \$1,025,831, which constituted 8.31 per cent of the appraised value of its property. In 1963 the Commission reported an earned return of \$987,193, which constituted 7.37 per cent of the appraised value of the property. For 1964, figures are not yet available. West Kootenay Power and Light Company Limited has disputed the Commission's figures on two grounds, which are still under discussion. Details appear at page 10 of the Report of the Public Utilities Commission for the year ended December 31, 1963, and at page 6 of the typescript of the Commission's Report for the year ended December 31, 1964.

"4. Yes.

"5. The residential 'minimum charge' for the Slocan Valley was reduced from \$7 to \$5 per month."

163 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

Regarding the Public Utilities Commission and the West Kootenay Light and Power Company:-

1. Did the Public Utilities Commission hold a public hearing in Penticton in 1964 to discuss rural extensions and rate reductions in the West Kootenay Light and Power Company's franchise area? 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the date of the hearing?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, was a rate reduction for the Slocan Valley discussed at the hearing?

4. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, has any reduction in residential rates taken place in the Slocan Valley since the hearing?

5. What is the present residential minimum rate in the Slocan Valley and how many kilowatt-hours are covered by this minimum rate?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. On September 18th and 19th.

"3. Yes.

"4. The 'minimum charge' in the Slocan Valley has been reduced from \$7 to \$5 per month, effective December, 1964.

"5. The 'minimum charge' is \$5 per month. The number of kilowatt-hours covered by this 'minimum charge' is 144."

164 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:---

Regarding the British Columbia Hydro Whatshan plant and the West Kootenay Light and Power Company:—

1. Does an agreement exist between the British Columbia Hydro and the West Kootenay Light and Power Company for the purchase of a fixed amount of power from the West Kootenay Light and Power Company by British Columbia Hydro?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the minimum amount in kilowatt-hours that must be purchased?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how much money, if any, was paid to the West Kootenay Light and Power Company by British Columbia Hydro in the years (a) 1962, (b) 1963, and (c) 1964?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. There is no minimum amount in kilowatt-hours required under the agreement.

"3. (a) \$40,806, (b) \$46,603, and (c) \$56,175."

165 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

Regarding the British Columbia Hydro Whatshan power plant:-

1. What is the maximum annual output in kilowatt-hours of the Whatshan plant?

2. What per cent of this maximum annual output was utilized in 1964?

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

"1. The maximum annual output of the Whatshan plant depends on the amount of useable water available from the watershed, which varies considerably from year to year. Under average conditions the maximum annual output is 105,000,000 kilowatt-hours.

"2. In 1964 the water availability was better than average, and 114.7 per per cent of this average maximum annual output was utilized."

166 Mr. Harding asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

Regarding the Public Utilities Commission and the West Kootenay Light and Power Company:—

1. What is the minimum residential electrical rate in the City of Trail, who retails this power, and what is the source of this power?

2. What is the minimum residential electrical rate in the City of Penticton, who retails this power, and what is the source of this power?

3. What is the minimum residential electrical rate in the City of Princeton, who retails this power, and what is the source of this power?

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

"1. \$1.25 per month net. West Kootenay Power and Light Company Limited retails this power. The source is, in part, the company's generating plant and, in part, purchase by the company from the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited.

"2. The minimum residential electrical rate is set by the City of Penticton and is not regulated by the Public Utilities Commission. The city retails the power and its source is West Kootenay Power and Light Company Limited.

"3. \$1.25 per month net. Power is retailed by Princeton Light and Power Company Limited and its source is West Kootenay Power and Light Company Limited."

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

With respect to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company "Road and Equipment Property ":---

1. How are the depreciable assets included in "Road and Equipment Property" classified?

2. What rates of depreciation are provided for?

3. Is depreciation provided for on the straight-line or on the reducing-balance method?

4. To what extent were "additions during 1963 year" actual additions, improvements to existing lines, or upgrading of equipment?

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

"1. In accordance with the Uniform Classification of Accounts for Class 1 Common Carriers by the Railway Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada.

"2. On the same basis as the major railways for each classification, exclusive of abandonment.

"3. Railway accounting straight-line.

"4. The additions during 1963 are actual additions."

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

1. What law firms have been retained by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority in the years 1962/63 and 1963/64, by name?

2. What payments have been made in the said years to the said firm or firms?

3. What law firms have received public moneys granted to Simon Fraser University to date?

4. What payments have been made to the said firm or firms referred to in No. 3?

5. Have any of such firms referred to in Nos. 1 and 3 received money from the Government directly in the years 1962/63 and 1963/64 and, if so, what firm or firms, and what amounts?

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

"1. Davis, Hossie, Campbell, Brazier & McLorg; Douglas, Symes & Brissenden; Farris, Stultz, Bull & Farris; Harman, McKenzie & Murphy; MacLaren, Laidlaw & Corlett; Paine, Edmonds, Mercer, Smith & Williams; and Stikeman, Elliott, Tamaki, Mercier & Turner.

"2. See British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Public Bodies Financial Act returns for 1962/63 and 1963/64.

"3. Robertson, Liddle & Shrum.

"4. 1963/64, \$7,103.30; 1964/65 to date, \$8,859.66.

"5. See Public Accounts of the Province for 1962/63 and 1963/64."

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

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

With respect to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority "Property Account":---

1. How are the depreciable assets included in the "Property Account" classified?

2. What rates of depreciation are provided for?

3. Is depreciation provided for on the straight-line or on the reducing-balance method?

The Hon. the Premier and President of the Council stated that, in his opinion, the reply to Nos. 1 and 2 should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

"3. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.