Wednesday, March 29, 1972

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

- 232. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$53,274 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1973.
- 233. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$199,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, General Administration, to 31st March 1973.
- 234. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$226,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Environmental Conservation (SAM), to 31st March 1973.
- 235. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$556,876 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Provincial Museum, to 31st March 1973.
- 236. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$84,994 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Commercial Fisheries Branch, to 31st March 1973.
- 237. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,915,295 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Wildlife Branch, to 31st March 1973.
- 238. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$54,275 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Creston Valley Management Authority, to 31st March 1973.
- 239. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,856,586 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Parks Branch, to 31st March 1973.
- 240. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Grants in Aid of Regional Parks Development, to 31st March 1973.
- 241. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March 1973.
- 242. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,850 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1973.
- 243. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$39,944 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, General Administration, to 31st March 1973.
- 244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$410,984 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Community Recreation Branch, to 31st March 1973.

- 245. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,121,468 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Travel Division, to 31st March 1973.
- 246. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$125,768 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, California and London Offices, to 31st March 1973.
- 247. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$341,378 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Film and Photographic Branch, to 31st March 1973.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

Thursday, March 30, 1972

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. A. Faris.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 30, 1972

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

248. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$43,820 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1973.

- 249. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$218,072 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, General Administration, to 31st March 1973.
- 250. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$70,414 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Social Assistance and Rehabilitation Division, to 31st March 1973.
- 251. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,769,570 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Field Service, to 31st March 1973.
- 252. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$225,026 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Health Care Division, to 31st March 1973.
- 253. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$126,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Social Assistance, to 31st March 1973.
- 254. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$420,510 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, New Denver, to 31st March 1973.
- 255. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$388,710 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Child Welfare Division—Administration, to 31st March 1973.
- 256. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Provincial Alliance of Businessmen, to 31st March 1973.
- 257. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$337,204 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Provincial Home, to 31st March 1973.
- 258. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$942,740 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Brannan Lake School for Boys, to 31st March 1973.
- 259. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$507,856 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Willingdon School for Girls, to 31st March 1973.
- 260. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$264,974 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Division on Aging, to 31st March 1973.
- 261. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$378,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March 1973.
- 262. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,275,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March 1973.
- 263. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$53,726 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministers Without Portfolio to 31st March 1973.
- 224. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$294,978 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, Public Utilities Act, Cemeteries Act, and Prearranged Funeral Services Act, to 31st March 1973.
- 225. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$350,544 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, Motor Carrier Act, to 31st March 1973.
- 1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$827,678 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March 1973.

Schedule A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$28,226,553 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1971, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

Department of Agriculture	\$20,559
Department of the Attorney-General	1,066,534
Department of Education	286,863
Department of Finance	57,496
Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance	2,470,957
Department of Highways	2,295,024
Department of Labour	2,430
Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources	17,752
Department of Municipal Affairs	2,551
Department of the Provincial Secretary	1,519,047
Department of Public Works	71,445
Department of Recreation and Conservation	532,618
Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement	19,883,244
Ministers Without Portfolio	33
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\$28,226,553

Nimsick

Dailly, Mrs.

Barrett

The Committee reported the Resolutions. Report to be considered forthwith.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 248 the Committee divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Barrett, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the division in Committee on Vote 248 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:

YEAS-30

Messieurs Merilees McCarthy, Mrs. Fraser Chant Mussallem Jordan, Mrs. Campbell, B. Loffmark Wenman Dawson, Mrs. Wolfe Gaglardi Kripps, Mrs. Kiernan Smith Campbell, D. R. J. Price Williston **McDiarmid** Brothers Capozzi Bennett Chabot Shelford Jefcoat . Peterson Skillings Richter Tisdalle Black Nays-14 Messieurs

PAIRS:

Calder

McGeer

Williams, L. A.

Clark

Gardom

Lorimer

Williams, R. A.

Hall

IVI	essieurs
Vogel	Brousso
Ney	Cocke

Macdonald

Strachan

Dowding

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 256 the Committee divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Vote 256 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:

YEAS--34

Messieurs

Nev Little Merilees **J**efcoat Mussallem Tisdalle Wallace McCarthy, Mrs. Marshall Jordan, Mrs. Wenman Dawson, Mrs. Kripps, Mrs. Kiernan Price Williston Capozzi Rennett

Peterson Skillings
Black Chant
Fraser Loffmark
Campbell, B. Gaglardi
Wolfe Campbell, D. R. J.
Smith Brothers
McDiarmid Shelford

Nays-15

Chabot

Messieurs

Gardom Williams, R. A.
Hartley Calder
Lorimer Clark
Hall McGeer

Williams, L. A. Macdonald Strachan Dowding

Nimsick Barrett Dailly, Mrs.

Richter

PAIRS:

Messieurs

Vogel Brousson LeCours Cocke

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 263 the Committee divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Vote 263 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:

YEAS-33

Messieurs

Skillings Jefcoat Peterson Ney Merilees Tisdalle BlackChant McCarthy, Mrs. Fraser **L**offmark Mussallem Campbell, B. Gaglardi Wenman Jordan, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Wolfe Campbell, D. R. J. Kripps, Mrs. Smith Brothers Kiernan Price **McDiarmid** Shelford Capozzi Williston Richter Chabot LeCours Bennett Little

Nays—16

Messieurs

Gardoni Lorimer ClarkDowding WallaceHall Williams, L. A. Nimsick Marshall Williams, R. A. Barrett Macdonald Hartley Calder Strachan Dailly, Mrs.

PAIR:

Messieurs

Vogel

Brousson

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 224 the Committee divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Clark, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the division in Committee on Vote 224 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:

YEAS-32

Messieurs

Nev	Little	Peterson	Skillings
Merilees	Jefcoat	Black	Chant
Mussallem	McCarthy, Mrs.	Fraser	Loffmark
Wenman	Jordan, Mrs.	Campbell, B.	Gaglardi
Kripps, Mrs.	Dawson, Mrs.	Wolfe	Campbell, D. R. J.
Price	Kiernan	Smith	Brothers
Capozzi	Williston	McDiarmid	Shelford
LeCours	Bennett	Chabot	Richter

Nays-17

Messieurs

Gardom	Hall	McGeer	Dowding
Wallace	Williams, R. A.	Williams, L. A.	Nimsick
Marshall	Calder	Macdonald	Barrett
Hartley	Clark	Strachan	Dailly, Mrs.
Lorimer			

PAIR:

Messieurs

Vogel

Brousson

The reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on February 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 25th and March 2nd, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 16th, 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 28th, 29th, and 30th were taken as read and received.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, the Rules were suspended and the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply were read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Resolved, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolutions.

On the motion of the Hon, the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon, the Attorney-General, it was *Ordered*—

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair for the House to go into Committee of Ways and Means.

MARCH 30 255

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That towards the making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Public Service of the Province, there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the following:

- (1) \$28,226,553 to make good certain sums expended for the fiscal year ended the 31st day of March 1971.
- (2) \$1,451,963,421 towards defraying the several charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March 1973.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution. Resolution read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 101) intituled An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Ordered, That the said Bill 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 Bill (No. 101) intituled An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

The Bill was committed, reported complete without amendment, and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill *Ordered* to be read a third time.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of the Hon. L. R. Peterson, the House proceeded to the Order "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion: That the 1971 Record of Debates be corrected to correspond with the electronic tapes of the proceedings.

Motion negatived.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Price, the following notice of motion standing in his name on the Order Paper was withdrawn:

That this House recommends that where simple, noncontentious amendments are needed with respect to a Private Bill, the Department of the Attorney-General implement procedures to avoid the expense involved in petitioning for a Private Bill in such case.

Mr. Gardom moved, seconded by Mr. Clark—

That there be added the afterstated to Part IV of the Standing Orders of the House under the heading "Recording of Debates."

1. That section 8 be deleted and there be substituted in its stead the following:

"8. That a typewritten transcript of the said debates shall be prepared daily under the supervision of Mr. Speaker and a copy thereof, certified under oath by him to be correct, shall be distributed to each member without charge."

2. That section 10 be renumbered as section 11 and that the figure "9" in line

one thereof be amended to read "10".

3. That there be added as section 10 the following:

"10. That such person or persons as Mr. Speaker designate shall be permitted at their expense to daily televise or broadcast the debates of this House."

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. Calder moved, seconded by Mr. Barrett-

That all correspondence, communications, documents, and maps between all departments of the Federal and Provincial Governments, any official of the British Columbia Railway (previously known as the Pacific Great Eastern Railway), any official of the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway, and any person with respect to the extension of the British Columbia Railway from Dease Lake to and within the Yukon Territory, be filed with this House.

Motion negatived.

Mr. Calder moved, seconded by Mr. Barrett-

That all correspondence, communications, documents, and maps between all departments of the Provincial Government, any official of the British Newfoundland Corporation Limited, and any person with respect to the examinations, investigations, and surveys for hydro power development on the Stikine River or any other river in the British Columbia northwest, be filed with this House.

Motion negatived.

Mr. Barrett moved, seconded by Mrs. Dailly-

That the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia welcomes the joint resolution approved by the House of Representatives and Senate of the State of Washington calling upon the State Government to undertake a study of the problems of pollution control along the border between the State of Washington and the Province of British Columbia and urging mutual co-operation between local, State, and Provincial Governments concerned, appropriate agencies or departments of the Governments of Canada and of the United States, any existing organizations having relevant authority or experience in the field of international pollution control, and any other appropriate persons or organizations:

And be it further Resolved, That the Special Committee appointed on January 20 to prepare and report lists of members to compose Select Standing Committees of this House recommend personnel for a Special Committee to study the problems of pollution control along the border between the State of Washington and the Province of British Columbia and that such Committee be authorized to invite the State of Washington Legislative Council on Regional Pollution Control Problems between Canada and the United States to participate with such Special Committee

in joint meetings and hearings on the said problems of pollution control and on such terms as may be arranged between their respective chairmen.

A debate arose.

On the motion of the Hon. W. A. C. Bennett that the debate be adjourned to the next sitting of the House, the House divided.

Motion to adjourn the debate agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-33

	- i	Messieurs	
Ney	Tisdalle	Peterson	Skillings
Merilees	Bruch	Black	Chant
Mussallem	McCarthy, Mrs.	Fraser	Loffmark
Kripps, Mrs.	Jordan, Mrs.	Campbell, B.	Gaglardi
Price	Dawson, Mrs.	Wolfe	Campbell, $D.R.J.$
Capozzi	Kiernan	Smith	Brothers
LeCours	Williston	McDiarmid	Shelford
Little	Bennett	Chabot	Richter
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NAYS—17

Messieurs

Gardom	Hall	McGeer	Dowding
Wallace	Williams, R. A.	Williams, L. A.	Nimsick
Marshall	Calder	Macdonal d	Barrett
Hartley	Clark	Strachan	Dailly, Mrs.
Lorimer			

PAIR:

Messieurs

Vogel Brousson

Mrs. Dailly moved, seconded by Mr. Calder—

That a Special Committee be appointed to study the Royal Commission Report on the Status of Women with respect to its recommendations so far as they fall within the jurisdiction of the Provincial Government and to report to the House the preferences and proposals, if any, approved by the Special Committee with respect to such recommendations, and that the Special Committee appointed on January 20 under Standing Order 68 be instructed to propose members for such Committee, reporting to the House with all convenient speed its recommendation.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. L. R. Peterson, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of Mr. Calder, seconded by Mr. Nimsick, it was Ordered—

That all correspondence and communications between all departments of the Provincial Government, any official of the National Coal Corporation Limited (NPL), any official of any world government, and any person with respect to coal explorations, potential markets for all types of coal, and possible British Columbia coastal export outlets, resulting from work done on the Groundhog coalfields since 1970, be filed with this House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Ney, the following notice of motion standing in his name on the Order Paper was withdrawn:

That this House urge the Federal Minister of Manpower and Immigration to give favourable consideration to the admission to Canada of Miss Lydia Del Rio Turino, a refugee from Cuba, subject only to proof of good character.

Mr. Calder moved, seconded by Mrs. Dailly-

That in view of the motion accepted by the Government of Canada on September 8, 1971, that a copy of the Stanbury-Fields Report be tabled subject to the concurrence of the Province of British Columbia, this House requests this Government to table the said report in this House or to signify its concurrence with the tabling of the said report in the House of Commons.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. D. R. J. Campbell, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Nimsick moved, seconded by Mr. Hartley-

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Labour to review the *Workmen's Compensation Act* with a view to recommending any necessary amendments to the Act:

And that the Committee shall have the power to send for persons, papers, and records and to hear representations from organizations and persons interested.

Motion negatived.

Mr. Nimsick moved, seconded by Mr. Hall-

Resolved, That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills to review the Rules of the House relating to the adjournment of sittings.

Motion negatived.

The Hon. Isabel P. Dawson moved, seconded by the Hon. D. R. J. Campbell—

That this House deeply regrets the refusal of the Government of Canada to assist with the financing of the Pacific North Coast Native Indian Co-operative Seafood Processing Plant at Port Simpson, British Columbia, the application for which project was made in conformity with the Federal-Provincial Rural Development Agreement made between Canada and this Province on May 14, 1970:

And be it further Resolved, That this House urge the Canadian Department of Regional and Economic Expansion to forthwith re-examine and reverse that decision in the light of representations made.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Hartley moved, seconded by Mr. Calder-

That this House recommend that the Government consider the advisability of providing Court workers to assist native people arrested or summonsed for Court appearances.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. Hartley moved, seconded by Mr. Hall—

That this House recommends that pharmacists be allowed to substitute generic name drugs for brand name drugs unless the doctor specifically indicates otherwise on a prescription, and provided the generic drug is equivalent to and cheaper than the brand name drug.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. R. R. Loffmark, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Hall, the following notice of motion standing in his name on the Order Paper was withdrawn:

That the subject-matter of Bill (No. 88) be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Labour for consideration and report.

Mr. McGeer moved, seconded by Mr. L. A. Williams—

Resolved, That this Legislature communicate immediately to the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States its opinion that the Trans-Alaska pipe-line not be built and that an alternative oil pipe-line be built down the Mackenzie Valley in Canada.

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

Mr. McGeer moved, seconded by Mr. L. A. Williams-

Resolved, That this Legislature recommends that priority be given to construction of the British Columbia portion of the Fort Nelson to Fort Simpson Highway so that road and rail access to the proposed Mackenzie Valley pipe-line be established through the Province of British Columbia.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled An Act to Amend the Rent-control Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Fraser, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *An Act to Provide for Public Scrutiny* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Tisdalle*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 63) intituled An Act to Repeal the Queen's Counsel Act a debate arose.

A point of order was raised by the Hon. the Attorney-General that the Bill interfered with prerogatives of the Crown.

Mr. Speaker sustained the point of order and ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled An Act to Amend the Libel and Slander Act a debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Ney, Bill (No. 69) intituled Mobile Home Act was withdrawn.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled *The Election Expenses Act*, 1972, a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled British Columbia Agriculture Corporation Act a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 84) intituled An Act to Establish the Office of Commissioner for Grievances a debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled An Act Respecting Proceedings Against the Crown a debate arose.

On a point of order being raised by the Hon. the Attorney-General that the Bill interfered with the prerogatives of the Crown, Mr. Speaker sustained the point of order and further stated that the Bill was out of order in the hands of a private member in that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled *Prevention of Restraint of Professional Practices Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. R. R. Loffmark, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 87) intituled An Act to Amend the Trust Companies Act a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Ney, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 90) intituled An Act to Amend the Provincial Home Acquisition Act a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 94) intituled An Act to Amend the Taxation Act a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member on the ground that it offended Standing Order 67 in that it involved an impost.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 95) intituled An Act to Empower the Government of British Columbia to Engage in the Business of Automobile Accident Insurance a debate arose.

Upon being advised by the Hon. the Attorney-General that implementation of the Bill would, of necessity, involve the expenditure of public funds, Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as offending Standing Order 66.

The ruling of the Speaker was challenged.

The ruling of the Speaker was sustained.

Bill Ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

Mr. Mussallem presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing, as follows:

REPORT No. 2

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 30, 1972

Mr. Speaker:

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

Your Committee confirms the present Government policy that a cabinet minister when travelling on behalf of or representing the Province of British Columbia either within or outside the Province shall be reimbursed only by the Crown, and the Committee congratulates the Government on this policy; further, the Committee requested that the Public Documents Committee cause a study to be made with reference to the procedures relative to retention and destruction of documents and records, and report to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. Mussallem, Chairman

The report was taken as read and received.

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

With reference to the Minister's answer to Question 149, 1972, relating to Highway 12—

1. How many miles of resurfacing is planned for 1972?

2. Will the resurfacing be done by contract or on a day-labour basis?

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

"1. 26.5 miles on Highway 12.

"2. By contract."

The House recessed at 11.23 p.m.

HALF-PAST ELEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the chair—

- E. G. MacMinn, Esq., Clerk Assistant of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:
 - (No. 1) An Act to Amend the Evidence Act.
 - (No. 3) An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act.
 - (No. 4) An Act to Amend the Conditional Sales Act, 1961.
 - (No. 5) An Act to Amend the Bills of Sale Act, 1961.
 - (No. 6) An Act to Amend the Assignment of Book Accounts Act, 1961.
 - (No. 7) An Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act.
 - (No. 8) An Act to Amend the Court of Appeal Act.
 - (No. 9) British Columbia Railway Act.
 - (No. 10) British Columbia Railway Company Share Capital Purchase Act, 1972.
 - (No. 11) An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954.
 - (No. 12) An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964.
 - (No. 13) Queen Elizabeth II British Columbia Centennial Scholarship Act.
 - (No. 14) An Act to Amend the Provincial Home Acquisition Act.
 - (No. 15) An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-owner Grant Act.
 - (No. 16) An Act to Amend the Centennial Cultural Fund Act.
 - (No. 17) An Act to Amend the Revenue Surplus Appropriation Act, 1969.
 - (No. 18) Green Belt Protection Fund Act.
 - (No. 19) Accelerated Park Development Fund Act.
 - (No. 20) Accelerated Reforestation Fund Act.
 - (No. 21) Power and Telephone Line Beautification Fund Act.
 - (No. 22) Provincial Rapid Transit Subsidy Act.
 - (No. 23) An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act.
 - (No. 24) An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962.
 - (No. 25) Gift Tax Act.
 - (No. 26) An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act.
 - (No. 27) An Act to Amend the Jury Act.
 - (No. 28) An Act to Amend the Administration Act.

- (No. 29) An Act to Amend the Chartered Accountants Act.
- (No. 30) Family Relations Act.
- (No. 31) An Act to Amend the Hearing-aid Regulation Act.
- (No. 32) An Act to Amend the Litter Act.
- (No. 33) An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.
- (No. 35) An Act to Amend the Mortgage Brokers Act.
- (No. 36) An Act to Amend the Regional Parks Act.
- (No. 37) An Act to Amend the Constitution Act.
- (No. 39) Elderly Citizen Renters Grant Act.
- (No. 42) Human Tissue Gift Act.
- (No. 43) An Act to Amend the Change of Name Act.
- (No. 44) An Act to Amend the Community Care Facilities Licensing Act.
- (No. 45) An Act to Amend the Physiotherapists and Massage Practitioners Act.
- (No. 46) An Act to Amend the Practical Nurses Act.
- (No. 47) Sunshine Comstock Mines Limited (Non-Personal Liability) Mineral Claims Act.
- (No. 49) An Act to Amend the Social Assistance Act.
- (No. 50) An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter.
- (No. 51) An Act to Amend the Trinity Junior College Act.
- (No. 52) An Act to Incorporate Vanco Insurance Company.
- (No. 60) Archæological and Historic Sites Protection Act.
- (No. 61) An Act to Amend the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act, 1965.
- (No. 62) An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act.
- (No. 65) An Act to Amend the Forest Act.
- (No. 67) Safety Engineering Services Act.
- (No. 68) An Act to Amend the Legal Professions Act.
- (No. 70) Criminal Injuries Compensation Act.
- (No. 71) An Act to Amend the Public Libraries Act.
- (No. 72) An Act to Amend the Highway Act.
- (No. 74) An Act to Amend the Pari Mutuel Betting Tax Act.
- (No. 77) An Act to Amend the Municipal Act.
- (No. 78) An Act to Amend the Insurance Act.
- (No. 79) First Citizens of British Columbia Corporation Act.
- (No. 81) An Act to Amend the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia Act.
- (No. 82) An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1968.
- (No. 89) Kootenay Canal Land Acquisition Act.
- (No. 91) Statute Law Amendment Act, 1972.
- (No. 92) An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act.
- (No. 98) An Act to Amend the Pollution Control Act, 1967.
- (No. 99) An Act to Amend the Podiatry Act.

His Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by E. K. DeBeck, Esq., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

Then Mr. Speaker addressed the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:

May IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 101) intituled An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia.

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this, the Third Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament of British Columbia, I desire to express my appreciation for the care and sincerity which have characterized your deliberations. I am grateful that legislation has been enacted which will be of benefit to the citizens of this Province.

As this Province enters its second century, marked by this Session of the Legislature, my Government continues in the forefront with a legislative programme designed for the second century. The programme carries on the successful economic policies of the past quarter century, and in addition has introduced legislative changes designed for the future of British Columbia and the benefit of all of its citizens.

In the economic area, as a result of the financial policies of my Government, no tax increases were necessary. Instead, by reason of the revenue surpluses built up by careful husbandry of the resources of the Province, a number of special funds have been created which will provide the citizens with funds for a number of creative and substantial special projects. Among the special funds created by legislation at this Session were:

Green Belt Protection Fund Act—25 million dollars for establishment and maintenance of green belts in the Province.

Accelerated Park Development Fund Act—10 million dollars to provide additional employment in the development of parks.

Accelerated Reforestation Fund Act—10 million dollars to accelerate a programme of reforestation and create jobs.

In addition, my Government has increased two of the Perpetual Funds — the Physical Fitness and Amateur Sports Fund and the British Columbia Cultural Fund — by 5 million dollars each. These two Perpetual Funds are now in the value of 15 million dollars each, and the annual earnings from these funds will benefit the citizens of British Columbia in the fields of physical fitness and culture in perpetuity.

My Government has also made provision for grants to municipalities for subsidizing rapid-transit systems and for the development of underground utility lines under the Rapid Transit Provincial Subsidy Act and the Power and Telephone Line Beautification Fund Act.

In commemoration of our Centennial Year, a special scholarship of \$5,000 per year was established. This scholarship is called the "Queen Elizabeth II British Columbia Centennial Scholarship."

In addition, a further sum of 25 million dollars was authorized to purchase the outstanding shares of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, which, by legislation, has now been renamed the "British Columbia Railway Company," a railway system now completely owned and operated by the people of British Columbia.

In view of the Federal Government's withdrawal from the estate and gift tax field, my Government has enacted a Gift Tax Act so that our present Succession Duty Act will continue to be co-ordinated with the Gift Tax Act in respect of gifting situations, with no increase in gifting rates. Moreover, my Government has increased the succession duty exemption to a total of \$150,000 value from a previous exemption of \$60,000. In addition, the legislation provides for payment of succession duty on a family farm or family business over a period of 10 years without interest.

In the constant struggle to combat inflation and preserve the purchasing power of the people of British Columbia, my Government has amended the *Constitution Act*, the *Public Schools Act*, the *Municipal Act*, and the *Vancouver Charter* to restrict salary increases for all sectors of the economy supported in whole or in part by public funds to a percentage considered economically proper and feasible in light of our financial resources.

Furthermore, my Government has enacted an Act, entitled the *Elderly Citizen Renters Grant Act*, to pay \$50 a year subsidy to persons over 65 years who rent accommodation. Also, an increase in the Home-owner Grant by \$15 a year to \$185, with an additional \$50 for home-owners over 65 years, provides a substantial measure of financial relief on their home taxes to the elderly citizens of the Province. This, together with an injection of a further 25 million dollars into the Home Acquisition Fund, under the *Provincial Home Acquisition Act*, and a continuation of the older-home mortgage scheme for an indefinite period, provides substantial capital requirements for housing developments and enables thousands of additional citizens to own their own homes.

In the development of the administration of law and in the improvement of those laws that have an impact on the lives of our citizens, a large number of new Acts have been passed and a substantial number of amendments to existing provisions have been made. Notable among these are:

- (1) Administration Act, providing new rules for notifying all beneficiaries in an estate, and giving a life estate in a matrimonial home to a spouse on an intestacy.
- (2) Summary Convictions Act, providing for serving sentences of imprisonment on week-ends or in broken periods.
- (3) Mortgage Brokers Act, providing for disclosure of all bonuses or discounts in certain mortgage transactions.
- (4) *Motor-vehicle Act*, providing for compulsory suspension of a driver on conviction for impaired driving, and for new rules for notifying another driver or owner of property in an accident.
- (5) Criminal Injuries Compensation Act, providing for compensation by the Workmen's Compensation Board for injuries received as a victim of crime or in assisting a peace officer to prevent crime.
- (6) Insurance Act, providing for more expeditious settlement of accident claims and encouraging prepayments.

(7) Family Relations Act, a comprehensive revision of the law of family relations and maintenance of spouses and children, recommended by a Committee of this House after introduction by my Government.

In the area of Health Services, a number of measures have been enacted, among which are:

- (1) Change of Name Act, simplifying the procedures in obtaining a change of name.
- (2) Human Tissue Gift Act, enlarging the Act to permit inter vivos gifts of tissue.
- (3) Community Care Facilities Licensing Act, enlarging the definition of facilities and clarifying municipal responsibility in this area.

The Department of Public Works recommended to the House a complete revision of the legislation dealing with steam and pressure vessels, gas and electricity installations, which was enacted by my Government under the Safety Engineering Services Act.

Under the Department of the Provincial Secretary, amendments were introduced to the *Public Libraries Act* providing for integrated regional library services and a new *Archæological and Historic Sites Protection Act* was passed to protect and preserve our historic sites and artifacts.

The Pipe-lines Act and the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act have been amended to provide the necessary legislative authority to deal with oil spills. The Pollution Control Act, 1967 has been strengthened, and administration of air pollution in the Vancouver area was assigned to the Greater Vancouver Regional District as agent for the Minister.

The Social Assistance Act has been amended to focus the responsibility for social assistance benefits and procedures in my Executive Council on the recommendations of the Minister.

In the municipal area, substantial amendments have been made to the Municipal Act containing a wide range of benefits and improved procedures in respect of municipalities. The Municipal Finance Authority Act has been strengthened to improve the consultative machinery and the marketability of the security issues of the Authority. A First Citizens of British Columbia Corporation Act was passed for the encouragement and marketing of Indian arts and crafts.

New benefits have been made available under amendments to the *Workmen's Compensation Act* resulting in this Province being in advance of most of Canada in this protection to our workmen.

In the field of education, amendments have been made to the *Public Schools Act* to set out procedures for suspension and dismissal, and also to require ratepayer approval for school budgets exceeding a fixed percentage increase.

Your approval of Supply in the record sum of more than one billion, four hundred and fifty-one million dollars is an indication of the continued growth and prosperity of the Province, and will enable my Government to carry out the important and beneficial programmes authorized by these enactments.

Members of the Legislative Assembly, I thank you for your earnest deliberations and labours and for the supply granted for the public service. Honourable Members, I now relieve you of your legislative duties, and I trust that the blessing of Divine Providence will accompany you to your respective homes.

The Hon. W. D. Black (Provincial Secretary) then said:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please the Lieutenant-Governor to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

W. H. MURRAY, Speaker

SUMMARY, 1972

Duration of Session71	days
Number of sitting days	50
Number of afternoon sittings	_ 50
Number of evening sittings	_ 25
Total sittings	_ 75
Average length of sittings3 hours, 45 m	inutes
Debates—	
Address in Reply, number of sittings	. 13
Budget motion, number of sittings	. 15
Estimates (resolutions, 20; progress, 12)	. 32
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Public 64	1
Private and local	3
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Number of questions answered	_ 174
Divisions	. 66

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