

Monday, March 21, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. McPherson.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Gibson asked leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the necessity for debating Motion No. 8, relating to Bicycle Safety Week.

Mr. Speaker stated he was of the opinion that the matter raised by the honourable member did not satisfy the requirements of Standing Order 35, in that the urgency of debate at this time is not indicated.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$155,690 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry; Minister's Office, to 31st March 1978.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$339,252 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, General Administration, to 31st March 1978.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$806,242 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Central Microfilm Bureau, to 31st March 1978.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,529,088 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Postal Branch, to 31st March 1978.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$646,994 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Legislative Library, to 31st March 1978.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$742,620 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Archives, to 31st March 1978.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Queen's Printer, to 31st March 1978.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$131,888 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Government House, to 31st March 1978.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$454,184 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Agent-General's Office and British Columbia House, London, England, to 31st March 1978.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,420 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, *Indian Advisory Act*, to 31st March 1978.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$280,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, *Public Inquiries Act*, to 31st March 1978.

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 6.01 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Pastor *R. Nelson*.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:

On the motion of Mr. *Strongman*, on behalf of Mr. *Shelford*, Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Stock Exchange Act, 1907*.

On the motion of Mr. *Strongman*, Bill (No. Pr 402) intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter*.

On the motion of Mr. *Veitch*, Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Society of Industrial Accountants of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1977*.

On the motion of Mr. *Veitch*, Bill (No. Pr 404) intituled *An Act to Incorporate The Institute of Accredited Public Accountants of British Columbia*.

On the motion of Mr. *Veitch*, Bill (No. Pr 405) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trinity Western College Act*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,910,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Grants—Special Services and Events, to 31st March 1978.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$580,236 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, *Provincial Elections Act*, to 31st March 1978.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,347,486 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Emergency Programme, to 31st March 1978.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,508,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Air Services, to 31st March 1978.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, British Columbia Lottery Branch, to 31st March 1978.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Unemployment Insurance and Workers' Compensation, to 31st March 1978.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,659,102 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Museum and Resource Museums, to 31st March 1978.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Government Publications, to 31st March 1978.

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

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 34 the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Wallace, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—40

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| <i>Veitch</i> | <i>Loewen</i> | <i>Calder</i> | <i>Kempf</i> |
| <i>Strongman</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Kahl</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>Haddad</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Davidson</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Cocke</i> | <i>McGeer</i> | <i>Bawlf</i> |
| <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Dailly</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Stupich</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Sanford</i> | <i>King</i> | <i>McCarthy</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>Lloyd</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Kerster</i> | <i>Waterland</i> |

NAY—1

Macdonald

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

71 Mr. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:

Under Vote 94, it was estimated that in 1976/77, \$350,000 would be allocated for agricultural aid to developing countries—

1. What sum was actually spent?
2. Which countries received aid and in what amounts?

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* replied as follows:

"1. \$35,073. (These funds were granted to support development education activity within British Columbia.)

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| International Development Education Resource Centre (IDERA) | 25,000 |
| International Development Education for Action Committee (Inter-Action)... | 10,000 |
| Evaluation report on projects supported in Bangladesh (Dr. R. Anderson) ... | 73 |
| | 35,073 |

"2. No countries received aid."

88 Mr. *Gibson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing the following question:

Which bonds managed by the Municipal Finance Authority, for which the Minister is fiscal agent, are denominated for repayment as to capital and interest in United States dollars or other foreign currency, and in what years, and in what amounts, do the principal repayments come due?

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* replied as follows:

"Since the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing has neither the statutory power nor responsibility to act as fiscal agent for the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, it would be inappropriate to answer this question. The desired information is available from the Secretary-treasurer of the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, 880 Douglas Street, Victoria, B.C."

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22, 1977

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)

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Public Information, to 31st March 1978.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$96,354 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Legislative Tour Guides, to 31st March 1978.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, *Queen Elizabeth II British Columbia Centennial Scholarship Act*, to 31st March 1978.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, *Flood Relief Act*, to 31st March 1978.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,380 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, General Administration, Travel Industry, to 31st March 1978.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,237,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Travel Division, to 31st March 1978.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,185,068 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, *Beautiful British Columbia Magazine*, to 31st March 1978.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$174,720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, California and London Offices, to 31st March 1978.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$588,182 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Film and Photographic Branch, to 31st March 1978.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,496,452 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1978.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$450,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1978.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,564,830 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Public Service Commission, Public Service Commission Administration, to 31st March 1978.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,970,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Public Service Commission, Grants *re* Public Service and Retiring Allowance, to 31st March 1978.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$266,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Public Service Commission, Public Service Adjudication Board, to 31st March 1978.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,153,661 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Superannuation Branch, Superannuation Branch Administration, to 31st March 1978.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,120,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Superannuation Branch, Public Service Superannuation and Retirement Benefits, to 31st March 1978.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$135,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Superannuation Branch, *Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act*, to 31 March 1978.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Superannuation Branch, *Municipal Superannuation Act*, to 31st March 1978.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,952,391 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Provincial Secretary and Travel Industry, Superannuation Branch, Employee Benefits, to 31st March 1978.

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 10.56 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. R. H. Dobson.

By leave, the Hon. W. R. Bennett (Premier) made a statement relating to a meeting today with employees of the Railwest plant, located at Squamish.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. Grace McCarthy (Provincial Secretary) tabled the Government Aircraft Passenger Logs for 1976.

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.

78 Mr. *Gibson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Transport and Communications the following questions:

In regard to the operation of the Langdale Ferry—

1. What have the total annual costs of its operation been since 1960?
2. What has its total annual revenue been since 1960?

The Hon. *Jack Davis* replied as follows:

- "1. Total operating cost was \$37,317,778.
- "2. Total revenue was \$31,362,352.

"NOTE—Figures are for Sunshine Coast ferries, Horseshoe Bay/Langdale and Saltery Bay/Earls Cove, from 1964/65 through to 1975/76. Revenue and costs cannot be separated between the two ferry routes providing service to and from the Sunshine Coast. There is combined ticketing. The Province acquired the Langdale ferry route from Blackball Transport Inc. in 1962, and costs and revenues prior to 1964/65 were accumulated in the one set of accounts for both the Langdale ferry route and the Vancouver Island ferry route."

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 24, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *G. Doubroff*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. *J. R. Chabot* (Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled a memorandum relating to advances to Atkinson Petroleum (1972) Limited, APL Oil & Gas Limited, Sunlite Oil Company Limited, Coseka Resources Limited, and Quasar Petroleum Limited.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$86,016 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1978.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,061,418 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Deputy Minister's Office, to 31st March 1978.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,127,990 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Resources Branch, to 31st March 1978.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,405,616 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Petroleum Resources Branch, to 31st March 1978.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants and Subsidies Program, to 31st March 1978.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Road Program, to 31st March 1978.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$215,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Prospectors' Assistance Program, to 31st March 1978.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$82,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Research Program, to 31st March 1978.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Data Program, to 31st March 1978.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Employment Program, to 31st March 1978.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$325,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Energy Resource Evaluation Program, to 31st March 1978.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$538,614 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1978.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$118,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1978.

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 8 o'clock p.m. today.

By leave, the Hon. J. R. Chabot (Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled a memorandum, dated February 1977, relating to Grizzly/Sukunka oil reserves.

The Hon. *Jack Davis* (Minister of Energy, Transport and Communications) presented the Annual Report for the Department of Transport and Communications for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1976.

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Thursday, March 24, 1977

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 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.58 p.m.

Friday, March 25, 1977

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Pastor *J. Stone*.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 30) intituled *Power Amendment Act, 1977*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 24, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *Jack Davis*, Bill (No. 27) intituled *Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1977 (No. 2)* 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.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 29) intituled *Greenbelt Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 25, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 31) intituled *Assessment Amendment Act, 1977 (No. 2)*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 24, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1977 (No. 1)* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—38

Veitch
Wallace, B.
Barber
Brown
Barnes
D'Arcy
Skelly
Levi
Rogers
Mussallem

Loewen
Wallace, G. S.
Nicolson
Dailly
Stupich
Barrett
Macdonald
Jordan
Shelford
Calder

Fraser
Curtis
Chabot
Wolfe
Bennett
Lloyd
Kahl
Haddad
Davidson

Vander Zalm
Nielsen
Bawlf
Mair
Williams
McClelland
Hewitt
Davis
Waterland

NAY—1

Bawtree

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Provincial Home-owner Grant Amendment Act, 1977*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Provincial Home-owner Grant Amendment Act, 1977* was read a second time.

By leave, Bill *Ordered* committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 18) was committed, reported complete without amendment.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *H. A. Curtis*, Bill *Ordered* to be read a third time now.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Travel Agents Registration Act*.

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

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

I. D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

(No. 3) *Change of Name Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 4) *British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (1964) Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 8) *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 10) *British Columbia Payment to Canada of Federal Income Tax on Behalf of Natural Gas Producers Repeal Act*.

(No. 13) *Liquor Distribution Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 14) *Home Purchase Assistance Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 17) *Farm Income Assurance Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 18) *Provincial Home-owner Grant Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 19) *Supreme Court Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 20) *Medical Services Amendment Act, 1977*.

(No. 23) *Agricultural Produce Grading Act*.

(No. 28) *Consumer Protection Act*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian M. Horne*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

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

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

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

61 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:

1. Does the Government pay any part of the expense of the State Ball?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the total amount paid, or to be paid, by the Government for the 1977 State Ball?

The Hon. *Grace McCarthy* replied as follows:

"His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has made no claim on the Provincial Government for payment of expenses in regard to the 1977 State Ball."

79 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:

With reference to convention co-ordinator John Plul's trip to Monte Carlo—

1. What were the total expenses of his trip?
2. Have any specific European conventions made firm bookings in British Columbia as a result of this trip?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, what are the names, dates, and specific locations of the conventions?

The Hon. *Grace McCarthy* replied as follows:

"1. The total expenses of his trip from Vancouver to London, Monte Carlo, Nice, London, and return to Vancouver was \$2,234.74. It should be noted that only part of his trip was concerned with Monte Carlo.

"2. Yes.

"3. Several conventions are confirmed over the next three years and negotiations are proceeding with an additional number of organizations who have expressed a definite interest in British Columbia as the location for their next international convention."

80 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:

With reference to R. N. Lillico, Information Officer, British Columbia House, England—

1. Did the present Government pay Mr. Lillico any money for services rendered prior to his appointment as information officer on August 1, 1976?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what were the services rendered and (b) what were the amounts paid?

The Hon. *Grace McCarthy* replied as follows:

"No."

And then the House adjourned at 12.50 p.m.

Monday, March 28, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Capt. *S. Ratcliffe*.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 35) intituled *Income Tax Amendment Act, 1977*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 28, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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 5.57 p.m.

Tuesday, March 29, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. W. Schroeder*.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *R. H. McClelland* made a statement relating to the Ministry of Health pamphlet *Cigarettes and Your Health*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *L. A. Williams* (Minister of Labour) presented the 60th Annual Report of the Workers' Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 1976.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 5) intituled *Pollution Control (1967) Amendment Act, 1977* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of Mr. *Gibson's* proposed amendment to section 12, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Gibson*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Lauk</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>King</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>Macdonald</i> |
| <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Cocke</i> | |

NAYS—26

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| <i>Veitch</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Kempf</i> | <i>Bawlf</i> |
| <i>Strongman</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>McGeer</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Davidson</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Vander Zalm</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Lloyd</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Kerster</i> | | |

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 12, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *J. R. Chabot*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—28

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| <i>Veitch</i> | <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Lloyd</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> |
| <i>Strongman</i> | <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Kerster</i> | <i>Bawlf</i> |
| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Kempf</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>McGeer</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Davidson</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Vander Zalm</i> | <i>Davis</i> |

NAYS—17

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Lauk</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>King</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Cocke</i> | <i>Macdonald</i> |
| <i>Lockstead</i> | | | |

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Travel Agents Registration Act* was read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Succession Duty Repeal Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Cocke*, on behalf of Mr. *Lea*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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.

Tuesday, March 29, 1977

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Succession Duty Repeal Act*.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.58 p.m.

Wednesday, March 30, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. J. C. Johnson*.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 33) intituled *Independent Schools Support Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 30, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Barnes* withdrew the following Notice of Motion standing in his name on the Order Paper:

That this House urge the Provincial Government to declare Bicycle Safety Week as announced for the City of Vancouver from March 21–27, 1977, as a Province-wide bicycle safety week.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Upon being ordered by the Speaker, during oral question period, to withdraw unparliamentary words, the Leader of the Opposition refused to do so. He was thereupon ordered by the Speaker to withdraw from the House for the remainder of the sitting.

By leave of the House, oral question period was extended by eight minutes.

Ms. *Brown* asked leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the release of serial letter 544-448 from the Ministry of Human Resources, dated March 22, 1977, relating to assistance benefits.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

On the motion of the Hon. *E. M. Wolfe*, it was *Resolved*—

That from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund there may be paid and applied in such manner, and at such times as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may determine, a sum not exceeding in the whole \$1,276 million toward defraying the several charges and expenses of the Public Service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1978, not otherwise provided for, and being substantially one-third of the total amount of the votes of the main estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1978, as laid before the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the present Session.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *E. M. Wolfe* the report of the Resolution from the Committee of Supply was taken as read and received, read a second time, and agreed to.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. M. Wolfe*, it was *Ordered* “That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair” for the House to go into Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS)

On the motion of the Hon. *E. M. Wolfe*, it was *Resolved*—

That from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund there may be paid and applied in such manner, and at such times as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may determine, a sum not exceeding in the whole \$1,276 million toward defraying the several charges and expenses of the Public Service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1978, not otherwise provided for, and being substantially one-third of the total amount of the votes of the main estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1978, as laid before the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at the present Session.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.

Resolution considered forthwith and adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. *E. M. Wolfe* presented Bill (No. 36) intituled *Supply Act, No. 1, 1977*.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the Bill.

Resolution reported.

Report considered forthwith and adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Supply Act, No. 1, 1977* the House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

Bill read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. M. Wolfe* the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Succession Duty Repeal Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—30

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| <i>Veitch</i> | <i>Calder</i> | <i>Lloyd</i> | <i>Bawlf</i> |
| <i>Strongman</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Kerster</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>Kempf</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | <i>Davidson</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Vander Zalm</i> | <i>Waterland</i> |
| <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Phillips</i> | | |

NAYS—18

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Lauk</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>King</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Cocke</i> | <i>Macdonald</i> |
| <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | | |

Bill read a second time.

Mr. *Lauk* rose on a point of order, pursuant to Standing Order 18, that the votes of certain members should be disallowed.

Mr. Speaker declared a recess of 10 minutes in order to consider the matter.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and made the following ruling:

Honourable Members,—I have now reviewed the authorities relative to Standing Order 18. May, 17th edition, at pages 435 and 436, states as follows:

In the Commons it is a rule that no Member who has a direct pecuniary interest in a question shall be allowed to vote upon it: but, in order to operate as a disqualification, this interest must be immediate and personal, and not merely of a general or remote character. On July 17, 1811, the rule was thus explained by Mr. Speaker Abbot: "This interest must be a direct pecuniary interest, and separately belonging to the persons whose votes were questioned, and not in common with the rest of his Majesty's subjects, or on a matter of state policy." This opinion was given upon a motion for disallowing the vote of the bank directors upon the Gold Coin Bill, which was afterwards negatived without a division.

On occasions when the objection of personal interest in a vote has been raised, which came obviously within the exemption from the application of the rule, defined by Mr. Speaker Abbot, the Speaker or the Chairman has overruled the objection, or has decided that a motion to disallow the vote would be out of order.

Dawson, at page 190, states:

There is no doubt that the interest that is objected to must be strictly personal and not an interest which is shared by the rest of the country, otherwise few items of Government policy would be unaffected. Western farmers vote to guarantee bank loans to themselves, eastern manufacturers vote themselves protective tariffs, and all members vote for increased pay for parliamentarians.

It is my opinion that it is abundantly clear from the authorities and the numerous examples cited that the point of order taken by the Honourable Member for Vancouver Centre is not well founded, and I so rule.

D. E. SMITH, *Speaker*

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members,—I have now considered the matter raised by the Honourable 1st Member for Vancouver-Burrard under Standing Order 35 and I cannot find that the matter is so urgent that the proceedings of the House should be halted so that it may be discussed.

Furthermore, by its very terms, the statement of the Honourable Member refers to consideration of legislation by the House and quite clearly the opportunity for discussion is thereby afforded.

D. E. SMITH, *Speaker*

And then the House adjourned at 6.33 p.m.

Thursday, March 31, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. G. Bickel*.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 34) intituled *Mobile Home Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 29, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *D. M. Phillips* (Minister of Economic Development) tabled the British Columbia Railway Auditors' Report as at December 31, 1976.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. *P. L. McGeer* (Minister of Education) tabled the following:

Copy letter from ICBC to the Hon. *P. L. McGeer*, dated March 31, 1977, relating to tabling of Report on Towing Contracts dated January 17, 1977.

ICBC memorandum dated March 31, 1977, relating to Mr. Wid Dickison.

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 8.30 o'clock p.m. today.

By leave, the Hon. *W. N. Vander Zalm* (Minister of Human Resources) tabled the Third Annual Report of the Burns Lake Community Development Association.

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Thursday, March 31, 1977

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 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

By leave, Mr. *Stupich* presented Report No. 1 of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs.

REPORT NO. 1

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 31, 1977

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Your Committee summoned Allan R. Turner, Chairman of the Public Documents Committee, established under the *Public Documents Disposal Act, Revised*

Statutes of British Columbia, 1960, chapter 314, and, having heard the submission on behalf of the Public Documents Committee, recommends that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Documents Disposal Act*, approval be given for the destruction of various public documents as listed in the submission to the Public Accounts Committee for 1977 in so far as the following ministries of Government are concerned: Ministry of the Attorney-General; Ministry of Consumer and Corporate Affairs; Ministry of Education; Ministry of Energy, Transport and Communications; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Forests; Ministry of Health; and Ministry of the Provincial Secretary.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. D. STUPICH, *Chairman*

And then the House adjourned at 11.01 p.m.

Friday, April 1, 1977

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. J. W. Robertson.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 42) intituled *Municipal Amendment Act, 1977*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 1, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. K. R. Mair, proposed amendments to sections 1, 8, 26 (4), 31, and 35 of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Travel Agents Registration Act* standing in his name on the Order Paper were withdrawn.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 12) intituled *Succession Duty Repeal Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 1, the Committee had 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 said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—25

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| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>McCarthy</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>McGeer</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Davidson</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | <i>Vander Zalm</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Calder</i> | | | |

NAYS—16

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Cocke</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>Barrett</i> |

On the motion that the Committee rise and report the Bill complete without amendment, 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. *Cocke*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—25

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| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>Phillips</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>McCarthy</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>McGeer</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | <i>Davidson</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Calder</i> | | | |

NAYS—16

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Cocke</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>Barrett</i> |

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Succession Duty Repeal Act* the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—26

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| <i>Veitch</i> | <i>Calder</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Vander Zalm</i> |
| <i>Rogers</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Phillips</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>McCarthy</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>Williams</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>McGeer</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Davidson</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | | |

NAYS—16

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Cocke</i> |
| <i>Barber</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Lea</i> | <i>Barrett</i> |

Bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. *Nicolson* rose on a matter of privilege relating to a letter from the Hon. *K. R. Mair* (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) to J. F. Whent, Secretary-Treasurer, Powell River Regional District, respecting the *Strata Titles Act*.

Mr. Speaker stated he would take the matter under advisement.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Psychologists Act* a debate arose.

Mr. *Cocke* moved an amendment as follows:

That the motion "That Bill (No. 16) be read a second time now" be amended as follows: to strike out all words after the word "that" and substitute the following:

"Bill (No. 16) not be read a second time now, but that the subject-matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Health, Education, and Human Resources."

The debate continued.

On the motion of Ms. *Brown*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* asked leave of the House to move a motion referring certain matters to the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Leave was not granted.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members,—Earlier this morning the Honourable Member for Nelson-Creston rose on a matter of privilege in respect to a letter from the Hon. *K. R. Mair* addressed to J. F. Whent, Secretary-Treasurer, Powell River Regional District.

I have examined the content of this letter and I have determined that no *prima facie* case of breach of privilege has been raised, as defined in numerous Speakers' decisions given in this House. I would refer the honourable members in particular to the Speakers' decisions at page 82 of the 1976 Journals and page 192 of the 1972 Journals.

D. E. SMITH, *Speaker*

And then the House adjourned at 12.55 p.m.

Monday, April 4, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Walter Donald*.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 15) intituled *Copper Smelting and Refining Incentive Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 4, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 39) intituled *Motor Dealers Licensing Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 4, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of the Hon. *J. J. Hewitt*, Bill (No. 37) intituled *Plant Protection 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, the Hon. *J. A. Nielsen* (Minister of the Environment) tabled the Second Interim Report of the Advisory Committee on the Control of Eurasian Water Milfoil in the Okanagan Lake System of British Columbia, dated March 1977.

By leave, the Hon. *D. M. Phillips*, on behalf of the Hon. *Grace McCarthy*, moved—

That a Special Committee be appointed to consider further the matter of building, staffing, and maintaining of medical facilities for the rehabilitation, care, and development of Vietnamese children, pursuant to the resolution passed in the Legislative Assembly on April 18, 1973, and to report its findings and recom-

mendations to the House; said Committee to be composed of Mr. *Calder*, the Hon. *H. A. Curtis*, Mrs. *Jordan*, Mr. *Kerster*, the Hon. *P. L. McGeer*, Messrs. *Strongman* and *Cocke*, Ms. *Sanford*, Messrs. *Gibson* and *Wallace*. This Committee to be convened by Mr. *Calder*.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. *Barrett* made a statement relating to selection of members to serve on Select Standing Committees of the Legislature.

Mr. *King* asked leave to move a motion without notice to name additional members to the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture. Leave was not granted.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Gift Tax Repeal Act* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Psychologists Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—17

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Gibson</i> | <i>Dailly</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Lauk</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Levi</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>King</i> |
| <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Cocke</i> | <i>Barrett</i> |
| <i>D'Arcy</i> | | | |

NAYS—26

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| <i>Strongman</i> | <i>Calder</i> | <i>Phillips</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Lloyd</i> | <i>Bawlf</i> |
| <i>Loewen</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>Kerster</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kempf</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Schroeder</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>Waterland</i> |
| <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | | |

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—29

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| <i>Veitch</i> | <i>Shelford</i> | <i>Gardom</i> | <i>Nielsen</i> |
| <i>Strongman</i> | <i>Calder</i> | <i>Phillips</i> | <i>Bawlf</i> |
| <i>Mussallem</i> | <i>Fraser</i> | <i>Lloyd</i> | <i>Mair</i> |
| <i>Loewen</i> | <i>Curtis</i> | <i>Kerster</i> | <i>McClelland</i> |
| <i>Wallace, G. S.</i> | <i>Chabot</i> | <i>Kempf</i> | <i>Hewitt</i> |
| <i>Bawtree</i> | <i>Wolfe</i> | <i>Kahl</i> | <i>Davis</i> |
| <i>Schroeder</i> | <i>Bennett</i> | <i>Haddad</i> | <i>Waterland</i> |
| <i>Jordan</i> | | | |

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| <i>Wallace, B.</i> | <i>D'Arcy</i> | <i>Nicolson</i> | <i>Stupich</i> |
| <i>Brown</i> | <i>Skelly</i> | <i>Cocke</i> | <i>King</i> |
| <i>Barnes</i> | <i>Sanford</i> | <i>Dailly</i> | <i>Barrett</i> |
| <i>Lockstead</i> | <i>Levi</i> | | |

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Power Amendment Act, 1977* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

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

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 44) intituled *Systems Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 4, 1977

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.