

Wednesday, April 1, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Brig. *R. Weddell*.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

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

Bill (No. 15) intituled *Jury Act*.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *An Act to Amend the Landlord and Tenant Act*.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act*.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Land Act*.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Age of Majority Act*.

Bill (No. 30) intituled *Professional Corporations Act*.

Bill (No. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act*.

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

Bill (No. 43) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act*.

Bill (No. 44) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act*.

Bill (No. 45) intituled *An Act to Amend the Medical Act*.

Bill (No. 47) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mineral Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of section 8 of Bill (No. 47) the Committee divided.

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 section 8 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

Chabot *Clark*

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled *An Act to Amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 61) intituled *Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pollution Control Act, 1967*, was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Mr. *Hall's* proposed amendment to section 12 the Committee divided.

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 the proposed amendment to section 12 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—15

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	

NAYS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skilling</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

Clark

Little

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act to Amend the Securities Act, 1967*.

Bill (No. 69) intituled *An Act to Amend the Regional Hospital Districts Act*.

Bill (No. 70) intituled *An Act to Amend the Elderly Citizens' Housing Aid Act*.

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

Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Establish the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 78) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hospital Act*.

Bill (No. 82) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act*.

Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law* was committed.

The Committee rose and reported progress.

The Committee asked leave to sit again.

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

93 Mr. *Lorimer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce the following question:—

How many showings of the film "The Good Life" were given in the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December, 1969?

The Hon. *W. M. Skillings* replied as follows:—

“ Total showings of the film ‘ The Good Life ’ were as follows:—

Month	Department Showings	Department of Travel Industry, Photographic Branch, Victoria	Department of Education, Audio-Visual, Vancouver	Total
April.....	---	---	---	---
May.....	2	8	---	10
June.....	---	22	---	22
July.....	8	14	5	27
August.....	---	5	7	12
September.....	3	9	13	25
October.....	3	5	18	26
November.....	1	3	12	16
December.....	7	4	6	17
Total.....				115

“ Total shown for Photographic Branch, Victoria, and Audio-Visual in Vancouver are for number of bookings, the film itself may have been shown more than once at each booking. In requesting films through these offices, different organizations arranged showing at their own expense.

“ These were firm bookings but there were many other showings of which no record was kept.”

214 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce the following questions:—

With reference to the British Columbia Exposition at Expo '70, Osaka, Japan:—

1. Are any Japanese nationals employed and, if so, how many?
2. Are any Japanese-speaking Canadians employed and, if so, how many?
3. Are any British Columbian native Indians employed and, if so, how many?

The Hon. *W. M. Skillings* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes; there are 26 Japanese nationals temporarily employed.

“ 2. Yes; there is one. Additionally, the seven British Columbia girls temporarily employed at the pavilion were enrolled in a course for Japanese conversation at the University of British Columbia prior to their departure for Japan.

“ 3. Yes; there is one, a young lady who is a registered nurse by profession.”

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1, 1970

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law* was recommitted, reported complete with amendment.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 83) the Committee divided.

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 section 3 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	

NAYS—15

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Daily, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

Williston *Clark*

The Committee further reported that in consideration of section 21 of Bill (No. 83) the Committee divided.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on section 21 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—33

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>LeCours</i>			

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Daily, Mrs.</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

Ney

Clark

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

262. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$184,740 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Health Care Division, to 31st March, 1971.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1971.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$347,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, New Denver, to 31st March, 1971.

265. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$325,608 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Child Welfare Division—Administration, to 31st March, 1971.

266. *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, 1971.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$272,830 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Provincial Home, to 31st March, 1971.

268. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$793,337 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Brannan Lake School for Boys, to 31st March, 1971.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$433,644 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Willingdon School for Girls, to 31st March, 1971.

270. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,892,216 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Division on Aging, to 31st March, 1971.

271. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$390,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1971.

272. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,228,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1971.

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

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 266 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 266 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	

NAYS—15

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

LeCours *Clark*

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

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

1. Were any persons formally charged in Court with defrauding the Social Welfare Department of Social Allowance payments during 1969?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total amount of money involved, (b) how many persons were charged, and (c) how many persons, if any, were convicted and what was the total amount of money involved in these cases?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) \$38,458.57, (b) 63, and (c) 47 convicted, total amount of money involved, \$27,430.26.”

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

With reference to the disease *Leptospirosis*:—

1. Is this a reportable disease?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many cases have been quarantined, (b) have any cases that have been reported not been quarantined, (c) what facili-

ties are there for quarantining reported cases, and (d) is there an agency in British Columbia equipped and authorized to do blood testing for this disease?

3. If the answer to No. 2 (d) is yes, what is the agency and how many tests for Leptospirosis cases have been made?

The Hon. *C. M. Shelford* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes, under the *Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act*, and for swine, sheep, goats, and the bovine species.

“ 2. (a) In 1969, 16; (b) yes, one (three animals were removed to two separate places and quarantined there, these were treated and retested); (c) the quarantined cases were required to remain on the premises until treated; since November 15, 1969, the veterinary laboratory has been able to maintain the three Leptospirosis antigens (*L. pomona*, *L. sejroe*, and *L. hardjo*) and since that time all treated cases are also again blood tested; and (d) yes.

“ 3. Veterinary Laboratory, British Columbia Department of Agriculture, Box 100, Abbotsford. Number of Leptospirosis agglutination tests for the calendar year 1969 were: Number of submissions, 59; number of serum samples tested, 640; with the following results:—

Antigen	Number of Serum Samples Tested	Reactions		
		Negative	Suspicious	Positive
<i>L. pomona</i>	640	584	7	49
<i>L. sejroe</i>	631	407	88	136
<i>L. hardjo</i>	604	407	52	145

213 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier the following question:—

What is the mill cost per kilowatt-hour of Peace River power at the point where it is delivered to the distribution system in Vancouver?

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

“ See answer to Question No. 4, Votes and Proceedings, February 19, 1970, it is not possible to give cost per kilowatt-hour at different points within system.”

And then the House adjourned at 11.10 p.m.

Thursday, April 2, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Travis*.

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

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

Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act*.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act.*

Bill (No. 73) intituled *An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.*

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Establish the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia* the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—36

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—15

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

Ney *Clark*

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law* was read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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 o'clock p.m. today.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* (Provincial Secretary) presented the Twentieth Annual Report of the British Columbia Indian Advisory Committee and of the Director, *Indian Advisory Act* for the year ended December 31, 1969.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *R. G. Williston* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources) presented the Report of the Trail Disaster Fund Committee.

177 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

1. How much money has been expended by the Government to date for the services of its manager who was appointed on August 2, 1968, and furnishing full particulars of amounts and dates of payments?

2. How much money has been expended by the Government to date upon the various prosecutions of certain of the directors and officers of Commonwealth Trust Company, furnishing full particulars of amounts and dates in each case?

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

“1. None.

“2. All the prosecutions commenced are still continuing and detailed information can be made available following their completion.”

186 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Were the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General and (or) any other Cabinet Minister informed prior to the 21st day of April, 1964, that: (a) The Deputy Attorney-General signed an Order under the *Securities Act* authorizing the investigation of trading in securities by Commonwealth Trust Company, (b) the Deputy Attorney-General received a complaint against mortgage practices (failure to advance money committed), (c) the Deputy Attorney-General refused to grant the split of shares and, if so, when, in what manner, furnishing full particulars thereof and, if not, why not?

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

“(a) The then Attorney-General was informed; (b) the then Attorney-General was aware of a complaint received in respect of certain mortgage practices, the complaint was examined; and (c) it was not within the power of the Deputy Attorney-General to grant or refuse to grant the split of shares, the provisions of the *Trust Companies Act* govern in that regard.”

187 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Had the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General received from Commonwealth Trust Company or anyone for or on its behalf a petition or a request to enable it to reduce the issue price of its shares from \$100 to \$10 and, if yes, when, and to whom, and in what manner, furnishing full particulars of the same; and (or) was any said petition or said request received by any other Cabinet Minister and, if yes, when, and to whom, and in what manner, furnishing full particulars of the same?

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

“The then Attorney-General received a letter from Commonwealth Trust Company dated February 12, 1964, noting that a 1962 amendment to *The Loan and Trust Corporations Act* of Ontario permitted the par value of a share of capital stock in a trust company to be \$1 and suggesting that the *Trust Companies Act* of British Columbia ought to be amended to reduce the par value of the shares from \$100 to \$5.”

188 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Were the Minister of Finance and (or) the Attorney-General informed of any report of the Inspector of Trust Companies prior to or on April 21, 1964, and, if so, which report, furnishing full particulars and, if not, why not?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“No record of any report by Inspector of Trust Companies prior to or on April 21, 1964.”

189 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Was the 1967 Annual Report of Commonwealth Trust Company received by the Minister of Finance and (or) by the Attorney-General or anyone in either of their Departments and, if so, by whom, and when, and were any measures or steps taken concerning the same, and particularly with reference to its compliance with the provisions of the British Columbia *Trust Companies Act*, or otherwise, and furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“The 1967 Annual Report of Commonwealth Trust Company was received by the Inspector of Trust Companies on December 22, 1967; an investigation being carried on by him into the company's affairs was continued and resulted in the Inspector's report to the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General dated January 5, 1968.”

190 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Was the report of the Inspector of Trust Companies of January 5, 1968, received by the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General and, if so, did the same state that the Commonwealth Trust Company was operating in an “unsafe and unauthorized manner contrary to the public interest” and, if so, were the directors, officials, managers, salesmen, or staff of Commonwealth Trust Company, or any of them, notified or instructed that they, or it, could only sell or offer for sale certificates, or only receive deposits, which were guaranteed and covered by the \$20,000 of Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, and not any other certificates or securities and, if so, how, when, where, and by whom and, if not, why not, furnishing all particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“The report of the Inspector of Trust Companies of January 5, 1968, was duly received by the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General and stated which practices were considered to be improper; at that point in time, in consultation with Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, no extraordinary instructions regarding the sale of certificates or receipt of deposits were issued.”

191 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Was the report of the Inspector of Trust Companies of January 5, 1968, received by the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General and, if so, what action was taken and, if any, by whom, when, and in what manner, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ Yes; consultation with Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, who agreed to the Order of the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General dated February 12, 1968, previously tabled in the Legislature.”

192 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

What were the precise “ unsafe business practices ” Commonwealth Trust Company was allegedly ordered to “ cease and desist from carrying on ” by the Government Order of February 12, 1968, furnishing full particulars thereof, and when, by whom, and in what manner did the same come to the attention of the Minister of Finance and (or) Attorney-General, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ The unsafe practices which Commonwealth Trust Company was ordered to cease and desist from carrying on are contained in the Order of the Minister of Finance and the Attorney-General dated February 12, 1968, previously tabled in the Legislature.”

194 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

When and in what manner did Commonwealth Trust Company “ fail to substantially comply,” or in any other manner fail to comply, with the Government Order of February 12, 1968, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ In respect of the Order of February 12, 1968, the Commonwealth Trust Company failed to substantially comply with paragraphs numbered 2, 4, 5, 8, and 11 of that Order.”

208 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Was there a Government Order made dated the 12th day of February, 1968, pursuant to the *Trust Companies Act*, ordering Commonwealth Trust Company to take remedial action and in effect to cease and desist from its unsafe business practices and, if so, what did the same consist of, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ See your Questions 192 to 194 and Journals, Legislative Assembly, British Columbia, 1969, at page 118, and Statutes of British Columbia, 1969, chapter 42, Schedule.”

209 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Was there a Government Order dated the 2nd day of August, 1968, pursuant to the *Trust Companies Act*, appointing a manager of that company to supervise its activities and, if so, what did the same consist of, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ See Journals, Legislative Assembly, British Columbia, 1969, at page 118, and Statutes of British Columbia, 1969, chapter 42, Schedule.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Thursday, April 2, 1970

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)

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,062 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Minister’s Office, to 31st March, 1971.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$158,310 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, General Administration, to 31st March, 1971.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$450,834 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1971.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,578 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Commercial Fisheries Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,521,810 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Wildlife Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,356,312 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Parks Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900,000 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, 1971.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$275,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March, 1971.

252. *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, 1971.

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,390 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, General Administration, to 31st March, 1971.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$383,274 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Community Programmes Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,712,589 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Travel Division, to 31st March, 1971.

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Expenses of Department of Travel Industry, California and London Offices, to 31st March, 1971.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$277,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Film and Photographic Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

273. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,876 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministers without Portfolio to 31st March, 1971.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$229,910 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, 1971.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$304,478 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, *Motor Carrier Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$743,786 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1971.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,084,351 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1969, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

Department of Agriculture	\$32,770
Department of the Attorney-General	640,323
Department of Education	486,958
Department of Finance	77,776
Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance	12,953,944
Department of Highways	5,034,689
Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce	5,999
Department of Labour	1,300
Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources	129,101
Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources	1,274
Department of Municipal Affairs	17,066
Department of the Provincial Secretary	184,632
Department of Public Works	1,012,919
Department of Recreation and Conservation	209,227
Department of Social Welfare	19,296,373
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The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered forthwith.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 273 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 the Hon. *Patricia J. Jordan*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Vote 273 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

Wenman *Clark*

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 1 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 the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Vote 1 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—48

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—1

Mr. McGeer

PAIR:

Messieurs

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Clark

The reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on February 24th, 25th, 26th, and 27th and March 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 25th, and 26th and April 1st and 2nd 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.

(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) \$40,084,351 to make good certain sums expended for the fiscal year ended the 31st day of March, 1969.
- (2) \$1,165,460,000 towards defraying the several charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 1971.

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. 85) 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. 85) 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.

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 p.m.

Friday, April 3, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Canon *C. P. Bishop*.

By leave of the House, the following questions were answered:—

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

With reference to the 1969 Provincial Election:—

1. What election expenses were declared by the central committees of the Social Credit Party, the New Democratic Party, the Liberal Party, the Progressive Conservative Party, and the Communist Party of Canada pursuant to section 177 of the *Provincial Elections Act*?

2. What election expenses were declared by the candidates representing the relevant parties pursuant to section 174 of the *Provincial Elections Act*?

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

“ 1 and 2. *See* attached statement:—

“ RE: GENERAL ELECTION, 1969

“ *Central Committee Expenses*

“ The returns filed by the central committees of the various political parties in accordance with section 177, *Provincial Elections Act*, are as follows:—

Social Credit Party	\$526,815.00
New Democratic Party	79,363.53
Communist Party	3,320.92
Liberal Party	156,876.47

“ *Return of Candidates' Expenses, General Election, 1969*

Electoral District	Social Credit Party	New Democratic Party	Liberal Party	Others
Alberni	\$21,480.00	\$7,127.10	\$2,011.65
Atlin	3,869.45	1,309.00	2,481.94
Boundary-Similkameen	3,502.75	4,414.87	5,118.23
Burnaby-Edmonds	2,076.50	2,020.00	1,487.08	\$697.46 ¹
Burnaby North	875.00	3,201.52	3,125.50
Burnaby-Willingdon	1,850.00	4,500.00	2,926.00
Cariboo	14,275.14	6,960.99	6,355.00
Chilliwack	4,960.40	3,998.49	3,246.03
Columbia River	1,019.30	530.00	2,212.14

Electoral District	Social Credit Party	New Democratic Party	Liberal Party	Others
Comox.....	\$4,612.50	\$4,540.75	\$3,603.01	-----
Coquitlam.....	1,234.40	4,494.62	4,390.89	-----
Cowichan-Malahat.....	15,969.94	2,049.89	1,146.15	\$52.55 ²
Delta.....	2,258.96	8,344.82	3,422.73	-----
Dewdney.....	4,235.00	6,915.00	2,435.85	-----
Esquimalt.....	727.17	2,356.86	2,377.80	-----
Fort George.....	5,745.16	2,680.82	3,158.81	-----
Kamloops.....	11,285.15	5,319.23	16,648.70	-----
Kootenay.....	4,536.00	1,117.60	5,728.00	-----
Langley.....	1,227.39	4,356.48	1,881.61	-----
Mackenzie.....	9,246.98	4,091.95	1,583.95	-----
Nanaimo.....	13,161.66	3,591.05	1,317.83	-----
Nelson-Creston.....	2,872.65	5,596.60	977.40	-----
New Westminster.....	4,600.00	7,030.43	4,731.06	775.67 ¹
North Okanagan.....	5,101.39	1,448.43	3,143.64	-----
North Peace River.....	1,836.26	196.40	1,244.73	-----
North Vancouver-Capilano.....	4,486.92	613.34	5,472.71	-----
North Vancouver-Seymour.....	4,564.39	4,994.91	5,721.31	-----
Oak Bay.....	5,340.17	824.63	4,408.48	-----
Omineca.....	1,712.05	3,160.68	1,470.75	-----
Prince Rupert.....	6,720.69	3,780.64	8,037.00	-----
Revelstoke-Slocan.....	6,126.38	4,739.97	1,088.83	-----
Richmond.....	1,211.43	4,973.34	(³)	-----
Rossland-Trail.....	2,454.72	6,827.74	2,200.00	4,279.52 ²
Saanich and The Islands.....	5,039.84	5,666.07	4,692.00	-----
Shuswap.....	2,471.90	7,258.08	2,110.82	(³)
Skeena.....	4,087.19	5,795.48	2,880.21	-----
South Okanagan.....	4,688.43	2,639.71	1,996.70	-----
South Peace River.....	2,196.33	1,834.00	1,915.50	-----
Surrey.....	2,251.66	7,398.00	2,210.00	-----
Vancouver-Burrard.....	9,995.54	6,164.52	791.56	-----
Vancouver Centre.....	9,995.54	6,164.52	791.56	-----
Vancouver East.....	14,108.00	9,798.06	3,031.57	-----
Vancouver East.....	14,108.00	9,798.06	3,031.58	-----
Vancouver East.....	2,093.70	2,743.52	1,571.00	374.47 ¹
Vancouver East.....	2,093.70	2,743.52	1,571.00	374.47 ¹
Vancouver-Little Mountain.....	10,810.37	2,430.18	2,600.68	-----
Vancouver-Little Mountain.....	10,810.37	2,430.17	2,600.68	-----
Vancouver-Point Grey.....	13,950.80	646.36	4,232.20	-----
Vancouver-Point Grey.....	13,950.80	654.76	4,232.20	(³)
Vancouver South.....	14,413.00	5,838.20	4,375.67	1,000.00 ²
Vancouver South.....	14,413.00	5,838.19	4,375.68	-----
Victoria.....	3,702.77	2,259.04	4,487.50	525.00 ²
Victoria.....	3,702.77	2,259.03	4,487.50	-----
West Vancouver-Howe Sound.....	5,061.68	1,979.92	6,194.69	-----
Yale-Lillooet.....	4,644.54	2,154.93	4,915.79	-----

¹ Communist.² Independent.³ Not filed.

“S. A. CLARK,
“Deputy Chief Electoral Officer.”

193 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Following the Government Order of February 12, 1968, and up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968, were the directors, officials, managers, salesmen, and staff of Commonwealth Trust Company, or any of them, notified or instructed that they, or it, could only sell or offer for sale certificates, or receive

deposits, which were guaranteed and covered by the \$20,000 of Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, and not any other certificates or securities and, if so, how, when, where, and by whom and, if not, why not, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“At the outset it was considered unwise, particularly by Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, to give any indication of active intervention on the part of the Government, Federal or Provincial, in the day to day management of the company. Upon assuming his position as company manager, pursuant to the Government’s Order of August 2, 1968, Mr. A. D. Stanley gave such instructions to the personnel of Commonwealth Trust Company; the information is not now available as to how, when, and to whom the instructions were given. It should be noted that no depositor or guaranteed investment certificate holder will suffer any loss whatsoever.”

195 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Following the Government Order of August 2, 1968, appointing its manager of Commonwealth Trust Company, and up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968, were the directors, officials, managers, salesmen, and staff of Commonwealth Trust Company, or any of them, notified or instructed by the Minister of Finance, or by the Attorney-General, or by the Government manager, or by any other Government official for and on their behalf, that they, or it, could only sell or offer for sale certificates, or receive deposits, which were guaranteed and covered by the \$20,000 of Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, and not any other certificates or securities and, if so, how, when, where, and by whom and, if not, why not, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ See answer to Question 193.”

196 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Were the directors, officials, managers, salesmen, and staff of Commonwealth Trust Company, or any person or persons utilizing the offices of Commonwealth Trust Company, or Commonwealth Trust Company, or any of them, from the 5th day of January, 1968, up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968, expressly or impliedly permitted or authorized to sell, or offer for sale, certificates or shares, other than those of Commonwealth Trust Company, and particularly those of Commonwealth Investors Syndicate Limited and, if so, how, when, where, by whom, and to whom, furnishing full particulars thereof, and of all sales, dates, names, amounts of shares or certificates, and distinctive numbers thereof and payments made therefor?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“ See answer to Question 193. In addition, no authorization or permission was given by the company manager to persons utilizing the offices of Commonwealth Trust Company to sell, or offer for sale, certificates or shares not being those of Commonwealth Trust Company.”

197 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Were any shares of Commonwealth Trust Company sold, issued, or transferred from the 5th day of January, 1968, up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968, and, if so, by whom, to whom, and from whom, furnishing full particulars, dates, names, amounts of shares and distinctive numbers thereof, and payments made therefor?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“No shares of Commonwealth Trust Company were issued from the Treasury between January 5, 1968, and November 9, 1968. Certain transfers of shares from existing shareholders did take place during the period, the details of which are contained in the extract from the transfer register filed as a Return herewith.”

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* thereupon presented the Return.

198 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

Were any shares of Commonwealth Trust Company, or any shares, certificates, or securities of companies other than Commonwealth Trust Company sold and (or) illegally sold by any director, officer, manager, salesman, or staff of Commonwealth Trust Company, from the 5th day of January, 1968, up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968, and, if so, by whom, to whom, and from whom, furnishing full particulars, dates, names, amounts of shares and certificates and distinctive numbers thereof, and payments made therefor?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“See answers to Questions 196 and 197. All files now in the hands of the liquidator and, therefore, information not readily available.”

199 Mr. Gardom asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

What were the names of the said directors, officials, managers, salesmen, and staff of Commonwealth Trust Company from the 5th day of January, 1968, up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968, and which of them were licensed according to law to sell securities or shares or guaranteed certificates, furnishing full particulars thereof?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“The names of the persons who were directors at any time during the period in question were as follows: H. Ablowitz, A. John Bow, Charles H. Clarke, A. G. Duncan Crux, Arthur P. Dawe, Vernon Ellison, Alex Forst, H. O. K. Hammerberg, Margaret A. Harling, Harold E. Leggett, R. L. LeRose, C. G. Polvliet, H. A. Roberts, M. C. Saunders, S. W. Welsh, L. L. Wener, and Eldon M. Wooliams.

“The names of the persons who were officers at any time during the period in question are as follows: A. G. Duncan Crux, president; Margaret Harling, vice-president; C. G. Polvliet, vice-president and treasurer; and B. M. Miller, secretary.

“All files now in the hands of the liquidator and additional information in question not readily available.”

200 Mr. *Gardom* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Regarding Commonwealth Trust Company:—

What were the addresses of the Commonwealth Trust Companies' offices from the said 5th day of January, 1968, up to and including the 9th day of November, 1968?

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* replied as follows:—

“Vancouver, 562 Burrard Street, 495 Main Street, 492 West Hastings Street, 1299 Kingsway, 6373 Fraser Street, 1414, 510 West Hastings Street, 525, 510 West Hastings Street; Victoria, 727 Fort Street; Kamloops, 191 Victoria Street; Kelowna, 410 Bernard Avenue; Powell River, 4794G Joyce Avenue; and Calgary, Alberta, 727 Seventh Avenue South-west.”

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Order “Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members.”

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, Bill (No. 2) intituled *An Act to Amend the Infants Act* was withdrawn.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *An Act to Amend the Taxation Act* a debate arose.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* raised the point of order that the Bill was out of order in that it interfered with Crown revenues.

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. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trust Companies Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, on behalf of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled *An Act to Amend the Medical 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. 32) intituled *An Act to Amend the Law Reform Commission Act* 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 for the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *An Act to Amend the Male Minimum Wage 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.

The ruling of the Speaker was challenged.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—36

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

Gaglardi *Clark*

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled *An Act to Amend the Female Minimum Wage 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.

The ruling of the Speaker was challenged.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—36

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Gaglardi**Clark*

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act Inquiring into and a Survey of the Extent of Which Marijuana, LSD, Heroin, and Lysergic Drugs Are Illegally Available* a debate arose.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* raised a point of order that the Bill was out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

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. 62) intituled *An Act to Amend the Annual Holidays 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.

The ruling of the Speaker was challenged.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—36

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—16

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Gaglardi**Clark*

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 67) intituled *An Act Respecting Proceedings Against the Crown* a debate arose.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* raised a point of order indicating that the Bill interfered with Crown prerogatives and referred to the Journals of the House, 1969, at page 227.

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. 68) intituled *An Act to Amend the Female Minimum Wage Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 71) intituled *An Act to Amend the Coal 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.

The House proceeded to the Order "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

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

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to pay to the Honourable *Waldo McTavish Skillings* the full allowance and expenses to which he would have been entitled had he attended all sittings of the Session, pursuant to section 68 of the *Constitution Act*, being chapter 71, R.S.B.C. 1960.

Motion agreed to.

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

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

The Hon. *Grace McCarthy* moved, seconded by Mr. *Price*,—

That the members of this House express their deep concern over recent statements attributed to the Honourable John Munro, Minister of National Health and Welfare, and the Prime Minister of Canada, relating to the smoking of marijuana by Canadians, particularly considering Canada's international obligations to repress the unauthorized use of marijuana except for medical and scientific purposes by virtue of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961.

And that the members of this House call upon the Federal Government to fulfil their obligations in regulating and controlling the use of drugs for any purpose except those permitted under the Single Convention.

A debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *R. A. Williams* that the debate be adjourned to the next sitting of the House, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—17

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>			

NAYS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

Clark *LeCours*

The debate continued.

Mr. *Hall* moved that the question be now put.

Motion carried.

On the question being put, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—34

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>		

NAYS—17

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

LeCours *Clark*

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

1. That the debates of the Legislative Assembly in the House be recorded by means of magnetic-tape recorders or other suitable recording devices in accordance with the following rules:—

2. That the magnetic-tape record of the said debates shall be under the control and custody of Mr. Speaker and no duplicate or copy of the magnetic-tape record shall be made without the express authority of Mr. Speaker.

3. That the public use, employment, publication, transmission, or broadcast outside of the House of the magnetic-tape record of the said debates, or any portion thereof, is prohibited without the express authority of Mr. Speaker.

4. That any person who, without the express authority of Mr. Speaker, offends against sections 2 and 3 of this Order may be considered in contempt of the House.

5. That when any question arises in the House as to the words spoken by a member in its said debates of the House, Mr. Speaker may use the magnetic-tape record as evidence of the actual words spoken by that member.

6. That Mr. Speaker may, on request in writing of any member, use the magnetic-tape record to verify the words spoken by that member or any other member in the said debates; and may, if requested by the member, supply him with a typewritten transcript (not exceeding 25 lines) of the portion of the said debates so requested.

7. That any member may challenge the accuracy of the magnetic-tape record in cases where he alleges that words spoken by him have been attributed to another member or vice versa, and if the House gives unanimous consent, Mr. Speaker shall note the discrepancy in the Journals of the House.

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

9. That copies of the transcript of the said debates shall be made available for purchase by any person at cost.

10. That sections 1 to 9 of this Order be, and they are hereby declared to be, Standing Orders of the House, and shall be designated as Part IV of the Standing Orders of the House under the heading "Recording of Debates."

A debate arose.

Mr. *Dowding* moved in amendment, as follows:—

Clause 2: Add after the word "debates" in line one the words "including proceedings during Committee of the Whole" and delete all words after the word "made" in line 3.

Clause 3: Delete all words after the word "prohibited" in line 3.

Clause 6: Delete "not exceeding 25 lines" in line 4.

Clause 8: Delete "after the prorogation of the House" in line 1; delete "certified by him" in line 3; and add after the word "charge" in line 3 the words "on a daily basis."

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* raised the point of order that the amendment was out of order on the ground that it involved the expenditure of public funds.

The Deputy Speaker sustained the point of order and ruled the amendment out of order in the hands of a private member.

The ruling of the Deputy Speaker was challenged.

The Deputy Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	

NAYS—15

Messieurs

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	

PAIR:

Messieurs

Gaglardi *Clark*

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

The House recessed at 4.58 p.m.

 FIFTEEN MINUTES PAST FIVE 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 Contributory Negligence Act.*
- (No. 3) *An Act to Amend the Municipal Treatment Plant Assistance Act.*
- (No. 4) *An Act to Amend the Provincial New-home Building Assistance Act.*
- (No. 5) *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Aid Act.*
- (No. 6) *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-owner Grant Act.*
- (No. 7) *An Act Respecting the Purchase of Unissued Shares of the Capital Stock of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company.*
- (No. 8) *An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954.*
- (No. 9) *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964.*
- (No. 10) *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962.*
- (No. 11) *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act.*
- (No. 12) *An Act Respecting Motion Pictures.*
- (No. 13) *An Act to Amend the Payment of Wages Act.*

- (No. 14) *An Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act.*
 (No. 15) *Jury Act.*
 (No. 16) *An Act to Amend the Consumer Protection Act.*
 (No. 17) *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act.*
 (No. 18) *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act.*
 (No. 19) *Corrections Act.*
 (No. 20) *An Act to Amend the Landlord and Tenant Act.*
 (No. 22) *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act.*
 (No. 23) *An Act to Amend the Chiropractic Act.*
 (No. 26) *An Act to Amend the Mental Health Act, 1964.*
 (No. 27) *Land Act.*
 (No. 28) *An Act to Amend the Land Surveyors Act.*
 (No. 29) *Age of Majority Act.*
 (No. 30) *Professional Corporations Act.*
 (No. 33) *Litter Act.*
 (No. 34) *An Act to Amend the Veterinary Medical Act.*
 (No. 35) *An Act to Amend the Adoption Act.*
 (No. 36) *An Act to Amend the Protection of Children Act.*
 (No. 37) *An Act to Amend the Forest Act.*
 (No. 38) *British Columbia Professional Foresters Act.*
 (No. 39) *An Act to Amend the Legal Professions Act.*
 (No. 40) *Mineral Processing Act.*
 (No. 43) *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act.*
 (No. 44) *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act.*
 (No. 45) *An Act to Amend the Medical Act.*
 (No. 47) *An Act to Amend the Mineral Act.*
 (No. 48) *An Act to Amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.*
 (No. 49) *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act.*
 (No. 50) *An Act to Amend the Fruit Growers Mutual Insurance Company Act.*
 (No. 51) *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter.*
 (No. 52) *An Act Respecting Montreal Trust Company.*
 (No. 54) *An Act Respecting Yorkshire Trust Company.*
 (No. 61) *Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902.*
 (No. 63) *An Act to Amend the Pollution Control Act, 1967.*
 (No. 64) *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act.*
 (No. 65) *An Act to Amend the Securities Act, 1967.*
 (No. 69) *An Act to Amend the Regional Hospital Districts Act.*
 (No. 70) *An Act to Amend the Elderly Citizens' Housing Aid Act.*
 (No. 73) *An Act to Amend the Summary Convictions Act.*
 (No. 74) *An Act to Establish the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia.*
 (No. 78) *An Act to Amend the Hospital Act.*
 (No. 82) *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act.*
 (No. 83) *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law.*

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, Esquire*, 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. 85) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*.

To this Bill the Deputy 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:

Your deliberations during this First Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament of British Columbia have been of great benefit to the citizens of this Province. I express my appreciation for your achievements.

The legislation enacted at this Session has continued to provide increased financial benefits for all citizens through a number of significant measures. Amendments have been made to the *Municipal Treatment Plant Assistance Act* to make it easier for municipalities to qualify for assistance under the Act.

The Province's grant to municipalities has been increased by \$2 *per capita* for social services in the municipality, making a total of \$30 *per capita* under the *Municipalities Aid Act*.

Supplementary to the assistance presently provided for the purchase or construction of a new home, the *Provincial Home-acquisition Grant Act* gives assistance to a tenant toward the purchase of an existing home. A tenant now has the option of a grant of \$1,000 or a loan of \$5,000 for a new home, or a grant of \$500 or a loan of \$2,500 for the purchase of an existing home. The *Provincial Home-owner Grant Act* provides for increases of \$10 per home, for a total of \$160 per home.

Authority has been given to invest up to thirty-five million dollars (\$35,000,000) in the unissued stock of Pacific Great Eastern Railway, which will enable the railway to make provision for substantial new construction and expansion of services to the people. Provision has also been made for increasing the borrowing authority of this railway company by fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) for the same purposes.

Likewise, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority has been given authority to expand its borrowing by two hundred and fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) to allow for expansion of its facilities throughout the Province. Under the *Succession Duty Act* the exemptions under the Act have been increased for annuities from \$1,200 to \$3,000 per annum and a family home has been completely exempted from succession duties.

Great advances have been made during this Session in the enactments relating to the administration of justice. A completely new *Corrections Act* and *Jury Act* have been enacted, providing the most advanced legislation in these fields. Amendments to the *Supreme Court Act* and the *Land Registry Act* have streamlined the operation of the courts and land registry systems.

A new *Motion Pictures Act* provides the legislative framework for a practical and enlightened system of film classification and review. A new Part II of the *Landlord and Tenant Act* has been enacted, which brings the law of landlord and tenant out of the Middle Ages and into the era of modern urban life and it will resolve many of the problems and inequities of this field of the law. The *Motor-vehicle Act* has again been amended to deal with constantly changing problems of our automobile culture, including the problem of air pollution caused by automobiles.

One of the most significant measures enacted by this House was the *Age of Majority Act*, which reduced the age of majority from twenty-one years to nineteen years for all purposes. This legislation is unique in Canada and will have far-reaching benefits for our young citizens.

In the field of labour relations, the benefits of the *Payment of Wages Act* have been extended to all persons instead of to a scheduled list of industries. Provision has also been made for accreditation of employer associations under the *Labour Relations Act* so that collective bargaining will be assisted and improved.

In a substantial change of emphasis, the Department of Social Welfare has been converted into a Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement. Likewise, amendments have been made to the *Adoption Act* and the *Protection of Children Act* to improve the achievement of the objects of these Acts in the areas of foreign and adult adoptions and of delinquency problems.

The natural resources, a great heritage of the Province, have received the careful attention of this Assembly. A completely new and revised *Land Act* has been enacted, providing for an intelligent and practical administration of all Crown lands of the Province. Likewise, the *Forest Act* has been amended to improve the administration of the timber reserves of the Province and to provide for the use of forest lands as recreational areas in certain cases and the regulations pertaining to such use. The *Mineral Act* has been changed to provide that Crown-granted mineral claims previously acquired cannot result in the acquisition of surface rights unless the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources is satisfied that the mineral claims are being used for mining purposes. Under a new *Mineral Processing Act* minerals produced in the Province must hereafter be available to be processed in the Province when required by the Minister. This Act sets up a Board of Arbitration whereby disputes between owners and producers of minerals and the processors can be resolved.

In the field of health services the *Mental Health Act* and the *Medical Act* have been amended and changes in the *Hospital Act*, *Regional Hospital Districts Act*, and the *Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902*, have dealt with many of the problem areas arising out of concern for the health and hospital services for all citizens of the Province.

Pollution control and its increasing concomitant problems have occupied the attention and careful consideration of the members of the Legislature this Session. Provision has been made for control of air pollution through substantial amendments to the *Pollution Control Act, 1967*, and the *Motor-vehicle Act*, previously referred to. The problems of land and water pollution have resulted in new provisions dealing with the subjects in the *Pollution Control Act, 1967*, and in a new *Litter Act*, the latter legislation governing the disposal of domestic wastes and litter. Complementary provisions are also to be found in the *Land Act* and in the *Forest Act*.

The Assembly has given full consideration to the problems of local government. In addition to the financial measures for the assistance of municipalities, previously alluded to, a new *Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia Act* has

been passed for the purpose of providing financial assistance and marketing of securities of the Authority in aid of the municipalities and regional districts in the Province. Furthermore, substantial amendments have been made to the *Municipal Act* and the *Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act* to enlarge the scope and responsibilities of regional districts and to provide other benefits to the municipalities.

The *Public Schools Act* has been amended to set up a completely integrated system of colleges and to provide for its governance and administration for the improvement of post-secondary education in the Province.

Your approval of the Supply Bill, authorizing expenditures in services for our people exceeding one billion, one hundred and sixty-five million dollars (\$1,165,000,000), without any increase in taxation, is particularly praiseworthy.

These and many other measures which you have carefully considered and authorized will contribute substantially to the growth and continued prosperity of the Province and the happiness and well-being of our citizens.

Members of the Legislative Assembly, I thank you for your earnest deliberations and labours and for the supply which you have 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*.