

Wednesday, March 15, 1967

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Canon *B. T. Page*.

The following Bills were 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:—

On the motion of Mr. *Eddie*, Bill (No. 80) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hospital Insurance Act*.

On the motion of Mr. *Eddie*, Bill (No. 81) intituled *An Act to Amend the Male Minimum Wage Act*.

On the motion of Mr. *Eddie*, Bill (No. 82) intituled *An Act to Amend the Female Minimum Wage Act*.

On the motion of Mr. *Barrett*, Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act Respecting the Rehabilitation of Prisoners*.

On the motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 84) intituled *The Sickness and Injury Benefit Investigation Act, 1967*.

On the motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 85) intituled *An Act to Amend the Fair Employment Practices Act*.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Bruch*, it was *Ordered* that the Rules be suspended to permit the introduction of a Bill without notice.

On the motion of Mr. *Bruch*, Bill (No. 79) intituled *An Act Respecting the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *An Act Respecting Privacy* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *An Act to Amend the Inferior Courts Practitioners Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *An Act Respecting the Standard Display of Prices* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *R. R. Loffmark*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,540 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1968.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$332,674 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, General Administration—Titles and Accounts, to 31st March, 1968.

229. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$258,970 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1968.

230. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,912 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Analytical and Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1968.

231. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$291,296 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1968.

232. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$316,748 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Petroleum and Natural Gas Branch, to 31st March, 1968.

233. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1968.

234. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March, 1968.

235. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Construction of Mining-roads, to 31st March, 1968.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grubstake Prospector, to 31st March, 1968.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Interprovincial Committee on Mining, to 31st March, 1968.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1968.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Special Mineral Surveys, to 31st March, 1968.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, *Iron Bounty Act*, to 31st March, 1968.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

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

1. Have any additional beds been provided at Tranquille or Victoria?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many beds in each place?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. There are 104 beds in the Sage Building, Tranquille School, completed in 1966. Plans for The Glendale School, Royal Oak, Saanich, virtually complete. Site preparation concluded. Tenders for construction to be called by the Department of Public Works. Construction will be continuous.”

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

With respect to hospital construction:—

1. What was the total sum spent on construction of acute hospital accommodation in British Columbia in the year ended December 31, 1966?
2. How much of that sum was provided by the Provincial Government?
3. How much of that sum was provided by the Federal Government?
4. How much of that sum was provided by municipal governments, hospital improvement districts, and fund-raising?

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

“ 1. \$9,025,547.

“ 2. \$4,410,646.

“ 3. \$1,038,309.

“ 4. \$3,576,592.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 15, 1967

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 House continued to sit after midnight.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16.

241. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1968.

242. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$363,906 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, General Administration, to 31st March, 1968.

243. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$310,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1968.

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Housing and Urban Renewal, to 31st March, 1968.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$69,625,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants in Aid of Local Government and Home-owners' Subsidies, to 31st March, 1968.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Winter Works Incentive Programme, to 31st March, 1968.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Committee further reported that during the consideration of Resolution No. 241 the Committee divided on a motion to rise and report progress.

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

The Committee asked leave to sit again.

The report was adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Strachan*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Resolution No. 241 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—21

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Eddie</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Parkinson</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Daily, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>			

NAYS—28

Messieurs

<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Richter</i>

PAIR:

Messieurs

*Gardom**Capozzi*

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:—

Honourable Members.—In the Votes and Proceedings of March 14, it is recorded, in error, that Bill (No. 69) intituled *An Act Respecting Workmen's Compensation* was *Ordered* for second reading at the next sitting. In fact, no motion for the second reading of the said Bill was made and the Journals will be corrected accordingly.

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.16 a.m.

Thursday, March 16, 1967

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Lieut.-Col. the Rev. *R. O. Wilkes.*

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.

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

Will the Minister consider revising the sample by-laws supplied to local hospitals by the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service to eliminate the section relating to the appointment of physicians to local hospital boards?

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

“The matter is under study.”

188 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to the *Prospectors Grub-stake Act*:—

1. Have any female persons applied for grub-stakes since this Act came into force?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many of these applications were granted and (b) how many, if any, were refused and what was the reason for the refusal?

The Hon. *D. L. Brothers* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. (a) Twelve and (b) six. Refusals during the last 10 years were for reasons which applied in common to any applicant regardless of sex.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Thursday, March 16, 1967

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 House continued to sit after midnight.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17.

305. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1968.

306. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$115,736 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, General Administration, to 31st March, 1968.

307. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,504 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance and Rehabilitation Division, to 31st March, 1968.

308. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,206,817 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Field Service, to 31st March, 1968.

309. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$124,618 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Medical Services Division, to 31st March, 1968.

310. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$51,450,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1968.

311. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, *Residence and Responsibility Act—Administration*, to 31st March, 1968.

312. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$268,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, New Denver, to 31st March, 1968.

313. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$245,172 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Administration, to 31st March, 1968.

314. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,235,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Maintenance of Dependent Children and Grants to Homes, to 31st March, 1968.

315. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$228,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Provincial Home, to 31st March, 1968.

316. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$525,850 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Brannan Lake School for Boys, to 31st March, 1968.

317. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$356,194 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Willingdon School for Girls, to 31st March, 1968.

318. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,143,698 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Division for the Aged, to 31st March, 1968.

319. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$484,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1968.

320. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,141,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1968.

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

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Resolution No. 305 the Committee divided.

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

The Committee asked leave to sit again.

The report was adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Strachan*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Resolution No. 305 be recorded in the Journals of the the House as follows:—

YEAS—27

Messieurs

<i>Chabot</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>LeCours</i>
<i>Bate</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Little</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	

NAYS—20

Messieurs

<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Parkinson</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>
<i>Gaglardi</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>

Mr. *Strachan* moved that Bill (No. 69) intituled *An Act Respecting Workmen's Compensation* be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—20

Messieurs

<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Eddie</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Parkinson</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>

NAYS—26

Messieurs

<i>Chabot</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Vogel</i>
<i>Bate</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Little</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Black</i>		

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Gagardi</i>

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

GEORGE R. PEARKE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 13, 1967.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law*, a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, Mr. *McGeer* withdrew notices of introduction of Bills intituled *An Act to Amend the Health Act* and *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act* standing in his name on the Order Paper.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.35 a.m.

Friday, March 17, 1967

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *L. M. Carlson*.

On the motion of Mr. *Parkinson*, Bill (No. 87) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hospital Insurance Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Macfarlane*, Bill (No. 88) intituled *An Act Respecting Proceedings against the Crown* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 19) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act*.

Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Industrial Transportation Act*.

Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act*.

Bill (No. 31) intituled *An Act Respecting Collection Agents*.

Bill (No. 32) intituled *An Act Respecting Consumer Protection*.

Bill (No. 34) intituled *An Act to Amend the Sheep Protection Act*.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act*.

The debate continued.

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 following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:—

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

Bill (No. 45) intituled *An Act Respecting Securities*.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act*.

Bill (No. 47) intituled *An Act to Amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act*.

Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act Respecting Accumulations*.

Bill (No. 56) intituled *An Act to Amend the County Courts Act*.

Bill (No. 57) intituled *An Act to Amend the Small Debts Courts Act.*

Bill (No. 58) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act.*

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 60) intituled *An Act to Establish the British Columbia Harbours Board*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—46

Messieurs

<i>Hall</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Phillips</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>LeCours</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Parkinson</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Daily, Mrs.</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Shelford</i>		

NAYS—5

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Perrault</i>
<i>Clark</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Gardom</i>
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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 following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 61) intituled *An Act to Amend the Notaries Act.*

Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act Respecting Pollution Control.*

Mr. *Jefcoat* (on behalf of Mr. *Shelford*) presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries, as follows:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 17, 1967.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Pursuant to motion of February 6, 1967, your Committee was ordered convened to study the following matter:—

Resolved, That the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries be convened and asked to study

- (1) the effect of modern geophysical mining exploration on the forest resource;
- (2) the possible amendment of section 116 of the *Forest Act* to apply to the entire Province in order to reduce the slash hazard caused by the build-up of contiguous areas of logged-over land in the Interior;
- (3) whether certain areas of the Province now covered by grazing permits for domestic animals should be reserved exclusively for winter grazing of wildlife such as deer or bighorn sheep;

and to hear such reports as resulted from standing assignments with the Forest Service.

Eight meetings were held and representations were heard from the following:—

- Forestry official.
- B.C. Cattle Growers Association.
- Mining Association of British Columbia.
- B.C. Wildlife Federation.
- Economist Rural Land Use.
- Interior Lumbermen's Association.
- Interior Lumber Manufacturers.
- Cariboo Lumber Manufacturers.
- Fish and Wildlife Branch.

The Forestry Committee appreciates the co-operation of the forestry department in collecting reports and submitting information on the various subjects.

Forestry

Your Committee considered the application of section 116 of the *Forest Act* to the Interior districts. Slash-burning was recommended in selected situations to ensure proper regeneration and a decrease in fire hazard. Your Committee recognized the concern of industry, as indicated by the members of the Northern Interior Lumbermen's Association, the Interior Lumber Manufacturers' Association, and the Cariboo Lumber Manufacturers' Association, in regard to excessive burning without having sufficient experienced personnel in both industry and the Forest Service to safely carry out this programme.

Industry also expressed concern for possible double costs if operators first had to lop tops and later had to burn the same area.

Your Committee recommends that section 116 of the *Forest Act* be amended to apply to Interior districts and that only limited slash-burning be carried out this year with special attention paid to the following points:—

- (1) The burning be done with the maximum of co-operation between industry, the local District Forester, and his staff.
- (2) No double costs be imposed on industry by requiring both lopping and burning. If burning is to take place, it should be indicated by the Forest Service before top-logging is ordered.
- (3) Cost figures for burning should be kept by both industry and the Forest Service during the coming year for purposes of review by this Committee at the next Session.
- (4) If natural regeneration does not take place within five years in the areas burned, then planting should take place.

Geophysics—Mining

Your Committee recognizes that damage has been done to the forest and grazing resources in certain areas by geophysical mining and recommends that there be closer liaison for control between the departments concerned—namely, Lands and Forests, Mining, and Recreation and Conservation.

Before further legislative powers are enacted, it is recommended a one-year trial period be granted for voluntary control of damage as suggested by the mining association and that section 10 of the *Mineral Act* and section 115 of the *Forest Act* be firmly enforced.

It is further recommended that reports filed with the Gold Commissioner be made in triplicate and that a copy be sent to the local Forest Ranger.

A résumé of the experiences gained during this one-year trial period should be submitted to this Committee next Session by the departments concerned.

Grazing

Your Committee heard representations from the Beef Growers' Association, the B.C. Wildlife Federation, and the Fish and Wildlife Branch on the use of Crown range. It appeared the three groups were in general agreement and supported the multi-use of Crown land. It was argued that a study should be undertaken by the Forest Service to test grass seeding in certain logged-over areas to try to improve the range-carrying capacity for both domestic stock and game animals.

The problems mainly seem to centre on lack of adequate winter grazing for California bighorn sheep, although other game animals are affected. After further study by the Fish and Wildlife Branch and the Grazing Division of the Forest Service, it may be desirable and in the public interest to buy out some uneconomic ranch units in key winter grazing areas as suggested by the B.C. Wildlife Federation. Grazing permits form an integral part of the total ranch unit, so in some circumstances it would be only fair to buy out the total unit rather than cancel the grazing permit.

Your Committee recommends that much more research be done to establish the cause of disease among game animals to establish whether lack of food is chiefly responsible. Some action, in addition to range allocation, might be necessary to break the disease cycle.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CYRIL M. SHELFORD, *Chairman.*

The report was taken as read and received.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Monday, March 20, 1967

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of Mr. *McGeer*, Bill (No. 89) intituled *An Act Respecting Government Aircraft* 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.

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom* the following Bills were 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:—

Bill (No. 90) intituled *An Act to Amend the Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act*.

Bill (No. 91) intituled *An Act to Amend the Government Liquor Act*.

Bill (No. 92) intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*.

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 second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 63) intituled *An Act to Amend the Chiropractic Act*.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act*.

Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage Act*.

Bill (No. 66) intituled *An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act*.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *An Act to Amend the Companies Act*.

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

Bill (No. 70) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act*.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 71) intituled *An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—50

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Vogel</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>LeCours</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Bruch</i>		

PAIR:

Mr. Clark

Mrs. Jordan

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 8 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 6.12 p.m.

Monday, March 20, 1967

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."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 72) intituled *An Act Respecting Medical Services*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—49

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Vogel</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>LeCours</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Dowding</i>			

PAIR:

Mr. Clark

Mrs. Jordan

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

Bill (No. 73) intituled *An Act Respecting the Provincial Museum* 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. 74) intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Strachan*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 75) intituled *An Act Respecting Proscribed Substances* 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 of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, it was *Ordered* that it be entered in the Journals of the House that the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 75) was agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled *An Act Respecting Regional Hospital Districts*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—49

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Vogel</i>
<i>Berger</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>LeCours</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Skillsings</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Dowding</i>			

PAIR:

Mr. Clark

Mrs. Jordan

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

Bill (No. 77) intituled *An Act to Provide for an Exchange of Certain Coal, Petroleum, and Natural Gas Rights* was 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 proceeded to the Order "Private Bills."

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 50) intituled *An Act to Incorporate the Western Pentecostal Bible College*.

Bill (No. 52) intituled *An Act Relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria*.

Bill (No. 53) intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter*.

Bill (No. 54) intituled *An Act to Provide for the Conversion of Yorkshire Savings and Loan Association*.

Bill (No. 55) intituled *An Act to Amend the Society of Industrial and Cost Accountants of British Columbia Act*.

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

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

Bill (No. 12) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mining Tax Act*.

Bill (No. 13) intituled *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*.

Bill (No. 14) intituled *An Act for the Payment of the Debt of the City of New Westminster with Respect to the Queensborough Bridge*.

Bill (No. 15) intituled *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty 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. 16) intituled *An Act Respecting Provincial Grants for Home Acquisition*.

Bill (No. 19) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act*.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *An Act Respecting the Department of Travel Industry*.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pound District Act*.

Bill (No. 23) intituled *An Act to Amend the Poultry and Poultry Products Act*.

Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Industrial Transportation Act*.

Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pipe-lines Act*.

Bill (No. 26) intituled *An Act to Establish a British Columbia Regional Hospital Districts Financing Authority*.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trespass Act.*

Bill (No. 28) intituled *An Act to Amend the Stock Brands Act.*

Bill (No. 29) intituled *An Act Respecting the Practice of Veterinary Surgery* 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. 30) intituled *An Act to Amend the Protection of Children Act.*

Bill (No. 31) intituled *An Act Respecting Collection Agents.*

Bill (No. 32) intituled *An Act Respecting Consumer Protection.*

Bill (No. 34) intituled *An Act to Amend the Sheep Protection Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21.

Bill (No. 35) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Aid Act*, was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of section 2 the Committee divided.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Strachan*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division on section 2 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:—

YEAS—29

Messieurs

<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>			

NAYS—21

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Eddie</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Berger</i>			

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 35) a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—29

Messieurs

<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>
<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Little</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Campbell</i>
<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Wenman</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>			

NAYS—21

Messieurs

<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Eddie</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vulliamy</i>	<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Berger</i>			

Bill read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House reverted to the Order "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

Mr. *Chabot* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways, as follows:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 20, 1967.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways begs leave to report as follows:—

Pursuant to motion of February 21, 1967, your Committee was ordered convened to study the following matter:—

Resolved, That the Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways be convened and asked to study Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Regulate the Workings of All Mines except Coal Mines*, and report to the House its recommendations thereon.

Four meetings were held and representations were heard from the following:—
Chief Inspector of Mines.

District No. 1, International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers (Canada).

The Mining Association of British Columbia.

Your Committee recommends that Bill (No. 22) be proceeded with subject to the following amendments being made in the Bill:—

Section 6 (2) (b): Delete all of the words after "night" in the third line.

Section 15: Add the following words to the section: "by following the procedure as stated in section 12, subsections (2), (3), and (4)."

Section 17: Subsection (2) be deleted and the following inserted in its place:—

“(2) Except for the purpose of training under a training programme approved by the Chief Inspector, no person under the age of eighteen shall be employed below ground in a mine or at the working-face of an open-pit mine. No person under the age of seventeen shall be employed below ground in a mine or at the working-face of an open-pit mine.”

Section 17, subsection (3): Add to the present subsection the following sentence: “ The Chief Inspector shall not issue such approval except in conformity with the Convention of the International Labour Organization concerning the employment of women on underground work in mines.”

Section 23:—

Rule 94, subsection (1): Delete the word “ accepted ” in clauses (a) and (b) (i) and insert in its place the word “ suitable ”.

Rule 234: Delete clause (c) and insert the following: “ ladders and platforms shall be installed in all auxiliary exits as required in Rule 2, and in all other main manways, in accordance with Rules 231 and 232, except where suitable safety devices are provided which limit sufficiently the fall of any person to prevent injury to him.”

Rule 251 (b) be deleted and the following be inserted in its place:—

“(b) Whenever a person is working underground in a place where he is not in frequent communication with, or within sight or sound of, some other person, the manager shall arrange that such person shall be visited at his working-place by a person appointed for that purpose at intervals of not more than four hours, once during the first half of his working-shift and once during the second half of his working-shift or such closer intervals as the nature and place of the person’s employment dictates.”

Rule 274: Should be renumbered 272.

Rule 272: Should be renumbered 273.

Rule 273: Should be renumbered 274.

Rule 298: Delete Rule 298 and insert the following:—

“RULE 298. All elevators and moving stairways shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the standards prescribed by the latest code of the Canadian Standards Association in respect to elevators, dumb-waiters, and escalators, except where the Inspector does not consider these standards suitable.”

Your Committee further recommends that, following the enactment of Bill (No. 22), the Government give consideration to the early introduction of amendments which will bring within the jurisdiction of the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources and under the provisions of the *Mines Regulation Act* all workings or undertakings wherein any person is employed underground.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES R. CHABOT, *Chairman.*

The report was taken as read and received.

On the motion of the Hon. D. L. Brothers, Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Regulate the Working of All Mines except Coal Mines* was Ordered referred to the whole House for consideration at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.14 a.m.

Tuesday, March 21, 1967

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. C. D. Blencoe.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Regulate the Working of All Mines except Coal Mines*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21, 1967.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 6: Amend by striking out all the words of clause (b) of subsection (2) after the word "night" in the third line.

Section 15: Amend by adding at the end of the section the words "by following the procedure as stated in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section 12."

Section 17: Amend by striking out subsection (2) and substituting the following:—

"(2) Except for the purpose of training under a training programme approved by the Chief Inspector, no person under the age of eighteen years shall be employed below ground in a mine or at the working-face of an open-pit mine. No person under the age of seventeen years shall be employed below ground in a mine or at the working-face of an open-pit mine."

Section 17: Amend by adding at the end of the section the following sentence: "The Chief Inspector shall not issue such approval except in conformity with the Convention of the International Labour Organization concerning the employment of women on underground work in mines."

Section 23:—

Rule 94: Amend by striking out the word "accepted" from the second line of clause (a) of subsection (1) and from the first line of clause (b) and substituting in each case the word "suitable".

Rule 234: Amend by striking out clause (c) and substituting the following:—

"(c) Ladders and platforms shall be installed in all auxiliary exits as required in Rule 2, and in all other main manways, in accordance with Rules 231 and 232, except where suitable safety devices are provided which limit sufficiently the fall of any person to prevent injury to him."

Rule 251: Amend by striking out clause (b) and substituting the following:—

"(b) Whenever a person is working underground in a place where he is not in frequent communication with, or within sight or sound of, some other person, the manager shall arrange that such person shall be visited at his working-place by a person appointed for that purpose at intervals of not more than four hours, once during the first half of his working-shift and once during the second half of his working-shift, or such closer intervals as the nature and place of the person's employment dictates."

Rule 272: Amend by renumbering as Rule 273.

Rule 273: Amend by renumbering as Rule 274.

Rule 274: Amend by renumbering as Rule 272.

Rule 298: Strike out and substitute the following:—

“RULE 298. All elevators and moving stairways shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the standards prescribed by the latest code of the Canadian Standards Association in respect to elevators, dumb-waiters, and escalators, except where the Inspector does not consider these standards suitable.”

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Regulate the Working of All Mines except Coal Mines*, a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 22).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *An Act to Amend the Execution Act* was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Amend and Repeal Certain Provisions of the Statute Law*.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

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

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

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

Bill (No. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Department of Commercial Transport Act*.

Bill (No. 38) intituled *An Act to Amend the Health 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. 39) intituled *An Act to Amend the Registered Nurses Act*.

Bill (No. 40) intituled *An Act to Amend the Royal Inland Hospital Act, 1896*.

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

Bill (No. 45) intituled *An Act Respecting Securities*.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act*.

Bill (No. 47) intituled *An Act to Amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act*.

Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act Respecting Accumulations*.

Bill (No. 56) intituled *An Act to Amend the County Courts Act*.

Bill (No. 57) intituled *An Act to Amend the Small Debts Courts Act*.

Bill (No. 58) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act*.

Bill (No. 60) intituled *An Act to Establish the British Columbia Harbours Board*.

Bill (No. 61) intituled *An Act to Amend the Notaries Act*.

Bill (No. 63) intituled *An Act to Amend the Chiropractic Act*.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments.

The Committee further reported, recommending that section 10 of Bill (No. 64) be withdrawn and the remaining sections renumbered.

The report was adopted.

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 Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act*.

Bill (No. 66) intituled *An Act to Amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act*.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *An Act to Amend the Companies Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

In Committee on Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act Respecting Pollution Control*, Mr. Dowding moved an amendment to section 2 as follows:—

To amend the definition of "Board" in section 2 by deleting all the words after Pollution Control Board and adding "composed of persons not employed by the Government."

The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order on the ground that the amendment involved the expenditure of public funds and accordingly was out of order in the hands of a private member.

With reference to aircraft under the authority of the Department of Highways from 1958 to date:—

1. Were aircraft used for other than Government business?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, who were the persons involved and what was the purpose of each flight?
3. How many aircraft are now under the authority of the Department?
4. What was the type and cost of each aircraft and when was it purchased or leased?
5. Have any aircraft been converted to jet propulsion?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, when was each conversion made and what was the cost of each conversion?
7. What was the total maintenance cost for each aircraft in each relevant year?
8. What are the details as to destination and passengers carried recorded in the flight logs for each aircraft for every relevant year? If passengers' names are not entered in the flight logs, who were the passengers on each recorded flight?
9. During the relevant years were any aircraft chartered by the Department?
10. If the answer to No. 9 is yes, what was the annual cost of such charters?
11. What are the names and salaries received by the pilots of the Departmental aircraft?

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

- " 1. No.
- " 2. Not applicable.
- " 3. Six.
- " 4. Grumman Widgeon, 1953, \$10,000; two Beachcraft D-18's, 1960, \$16,000; two Beechcraft D-18's, 1960, \$16,000; Beechcraft D-18, 1964, \$1,100; De Haviland Otter, 1965, \$22,050; and Lear jet, 1966, \$5,915.50 per month.
- " 5. No.
- " 6. Not applicable.
- " 7. Details not available.
- " 8. Names of passengers and destinations not recorded.
- " 9. Yes.
- " 10. 1966/67, \$21,629.52 to date. No details available for previous years.
- " 11. T. B. Toye, \$860; J. M. McNeill, \$825; H. Allabarton, \$790; R. Page, \$720; M. Sealey, \$635; K. Barlow, \$590; and L. Christensen, \$570."

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

With reference to natural-gas sales by British Columbia Hydro:—

1. Was a net profit made on the sale of gas during the three last reported financial years?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the amount of that profit?
3. Was a net loss made on the sale of gas during the three last reported financial years?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the amount of the loss?
5. What was the total cost of gas purchased during the three last reported financial years?

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

- " 1. Yes.
- " 2. March 31, 1964, \$5,696,651; March 31, 1965, \$8,121,653; and March 31, 1966, \$7,399,452.

" 3. No.

" 4. Not applicable.

" 5. March 31, 1964, \$9,511,482; March 31, 1965, \$11,755,634; and March 31, 1966, \$16,830,288."

26 Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following question:—

With respect to Department of Highways aircraft, from the time of its acquisition by the Department to December 31, 1966, (a) how many miles were flown by the Department's Lear jet; (b) of these, how many miles were flown within the boundaries of British Columbia; (c) how many journeys, originating in British Columbia, had their termination in another Province or State; (d) by date, (i) when did these journeys take place and (ii) where were they terminated; (e) in the case of each journey, what were the names of the passengers; and (f) what was the total lease and operating cost?

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

"(a) From hours flown estimate 89,000 miles; (b) estimate 70,000 miles; (c) see (d) following; (d) from recollection destinations were New Orleans, Seattle, Edmonton, Portland, Wichita, Regina, and Calgary; (e) not recorded; and (f) lease cost to December 31, 1966, \$41,408.50, and fuel cost, approximately \$17,975."

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

With reference to private hospitals (nursing homes) caring for all types of chronic patient (those capable of rehabilitation, those needing skilled nursing care and medical supervision, and those needing custodial care):—

1. How many profit hospitals are there in the Province and what is the total number of beds in these hospitals?

2. How many non-profit hospitals are there in the Province and what is the total number of beds in these hospitals?

3. With reference to patients in the non-profit hospitals, how many of the category needing skilled nursing care and attention have been covered since December 1, 1965, at \$1 per day under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service?

4. Are any patients occupying beds in non-profit hospitals who do not qualify for \$1-per-day coverage under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service and, if so, how many?

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

" 1. 70 hospitals with 3,233 beds.

" 2. 12 hospitals with 1,038 beds (excluding rehabilitation hospitals and units). The average number of eligible patients rather than the number of beds for extended hospital care is included for Department of Veterans Affairs hospitals.

" 3. 1,576 patients, for a total of 300,511 patient-days.

" 4. Yes, 82."

76 Mr. *Eddie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—

With reference to the issue of overtime permits:—

1. Were any permits issued in the years 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, and 1967?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many permits were issued in each month of each relevant year?

3. Was action taken by the Department of Labour against any employers for violation of the overtime permit procedure between 1962 to 1967?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, how many such cases occurred?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Record of number of permits issued by all branches of the Department is not maintained.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. Action consists of instructions issued by Industrial Relations Officers to individual employers to conform to the *Hours of Work Act*. No record is maintained of the number of times such instructions are issued. For Court proceedings, see Annual Reports of the Department.”

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

1. What was the total number of gallons of bulk gasoline purchased by your Department for the years 1964 and 1965?

2. What was the average price per gallon for each of these years?

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

“ 1. Fiscal year 1964/65, type 2 gasoline, 3,356,779 gallons (146 locations), and fiscal year 1965/66, type 2 gasoline, 3,413,327 gallons (147 locations).

“ 2. 1964/65, weighted average price per gallon, \$0.1561; maximum, \$0.4550; minimum, \$0.1234; and 1965/66, weighted average price per gallon, \$0.1527; maximum, \$0.4520; minimum, \$0.1179. Average cost 1964/65: Gas, \$0.1561; tax, \$0.13; total paid, \$0.2861. Average cost 1965/66: Gas, \$0.1527; tax, \$0.13; total paid, \$0.2827.”

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

With reference to the Columbia River power project:—

1. What was the total amount expended to March 31, 1966, on each of the following projects: (a) Duncan storage project, (b) Arrow storage project, and (c) Mica storage project?

2. In the case of each project named in No. 1, what amount, if any, was (a) interest paid or (b) interest allowed on capital expenditure?

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

“ 1. (a) Duncan storage project, \$14,244,053; (b) Arrow storage project, \$53,051,320; (c) Mica storage project, \$29,412,584; and general, \$1,206,548.

“ 2. (a) Not applicable; (b) Duncan storage project, \$491,959; Arrow storage project, \$2,166,841; Mica storage project, \$1,121,599; and general, \$165,815.”

101 Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. What is the total acreage in British Columbia to be flooded in the reservoir area behind the Libby Dam?

2. Is the preparation of the Canadian portion of the Libby reservoir the responsibility of Canada?

3. Have the clearing specifications in regard to the Libby reservoir been issued as yet?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, how many acres are to be cleared?

5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, when will the clearing regulations be issued?

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

“ 1. 13,750 acres of land and 4,000 acres of water.

“ 2. Yes, under the Columbia River Treaty. British Columbia accepted this Canadian responsibility under the Canada-British Columbia Agreement of July 8, 1963.

“ 3. No.

“ 4. Not applicable.

“ 5. April 1, 1969.”

109 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What was the total cost of advertising by radio, press, and television, advising people to register on the Provincial voters list from May 1, 1966, to September 1, 1966?

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

“ Radio and television, \$40,189.79; press, \$122,865.46; and total \$163,055.25.”

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

1. During the year ended December 31, 1966, were any boards of reference appointed as a result of appeals filed under Order in Council No. 2398/61?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is no, why not?

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

“ 1. No.

“ 2. Not applicable.

“ 3. Of three requests received, the first two were heard and resolved by a sub-committee of the Executive Council. The last request, being received toward the end of 1966, will be heard shortly.”

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

1. During the year ended December 31, 1966, had any applications for boards of reference been received by the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission pursuant to provisions of Order in Council No. 2398/61?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Three.”

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

1. During the year ended December 31, 1966, were any notices of appeal under Order in Council No. 2398/61 forwarded by the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission to the Hon. the Provincial Secretary?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Three.”

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

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

With respect to contingent liabilities listed on page E27 of Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1966, what were the specific investments held in the sinking funds as of March 31, 1966, of:—

1. B.C. Hydro pursuant to section 19 of the *British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*?

2. Pacific Great Eastern Railway pursuant to section 17 of the *Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954*?

3. British Columbia Ferry Authority pursuant to section 28 of the *British Columbia Ferry Authority Act*?

4. The holdings in the sinking funds of Nos. 1, 2, and 3 above as of January 31, 1967?

The Hon. Minister of Finance stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

124 Mr. *Berger* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With reference to school construction in the Province of British Columbia:—

1. How many referenda have been presented by School Boards to the Government for approval of cost-sharing, by districts, since October 1, 1966?

2. How many such referenda have been approved by the Government, by district, to date?

3. How many applications have been made for approval of architects' drawings, by districts, since October 1, 1966?

4. How many of such applications have been granted, by district, to date?

5. How many school districts' estimates on tenders have been received, by district, since October 1, 1966?

6. How many such estimates have been approved, by district, to date?

7. How many issues of school district bonds have been submitted to the School Districts Capital Financing Authority, by district, since October 1, 1966?

8. How many issues have been accepted, by district, to date?

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

“1. Twenty-five referenda were presented by School Boards from October 1, 1966.

" 2. Twenty-two of these referenda have to date been approved for submission to local owner-electors of the following school districts: Cranbrook, Kamloops, Surrey, Burnaby, Powell River, Smithers, Prince George, Sooke, Gulf Islands, Lake Cowichan, Alberni, Courtenay, and Campbell River.

" 3. School District No. 1 (Ferne), 1; School District No. 24 (Kamloops), 1; School District No. 28 (Quesnel), 1; School District No. 32 (Fraser Canyon), 1; School District No. 35 (Langley), 1; School District No. 37 (Delta), 1; School District No. 39 (Vancouver), 3; School District No. 40 (New Westminster), 2; School District No. 41 (Burnaby), 1; School District No. 43 (Coquitlam), 3; School District No. 44 (North Vancouver), 1; School District No. 45 (West Vancouver), 2; School District No. 55 (Burns Lake), 3; School District No. 57 (Prince George), 7; School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria), 1; School District No. 63 (Saanich), 4; School District No. 67 (Ladysmith), 1; School District No. 71 (Courtenay), 1; School District No. 72 (Campbell River), 2; School District No. 75 (Mission), 1; School District No. 80 (Kitimat), 1; total, 39.

" 4. Answered by No. 3.

" 5. Answered by No. 3.

" 6. Answered by No. 3.

" 7. None. The British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority has, however, purchased from 67 school districts 122 issues of debentures totalling \$45,000,000. Payments for these debentures were made to the school districts on November 1, 1966, and February 15, 1967, in the normal manner on receipt of letters of undertaking that the school districts would deliver the debentures in definitive form to the Authority at later dates.

" 8. Answered by No. 7."

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

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

With respect to the sinking fund for the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District:—

1. What were the detailed investments of that fund listed at \$4,653,126 on page E 26 of Public Accounts for March 31, 1966?

2. What were the detailed investments as of January 31, 1967?

The Hon. Minister of Finance stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

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

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

With respect to the Workmen's Compensation Board fund:—

1. What were the detailed investments held by that fund listed at \$144,421,160 on page 216 of Public Accounts for March 31, 1966?

2. What were the detailed investments at March 31, 1966, for the years 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, and 1965?

3. What were the detailed investments at January 31, 1967?

The Hon. Minister of Finance stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

131 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. Have any issues of school district bonds been submitted to the School Districts Capital Financing Authority by district since January 24, 1967?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many issues, if any, have been accepted by district to date?

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

“ 1. No. The British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority has, however, purchased from 58 school districts 62 issues of debentures totalling \$25,000,000. Payments for these debentures were made to the school districts on February 15, 1967, in the normal manner on receipt of letters of undertaking that the school districts would deliver the debentures in definitive form to the Authority at a later date.

“ 2. Answered by No. 1.”

138 Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

With respect to the Peace River project:—

1. As of January 31, 1967, have any claims for cost extras been received from any of the contractors or sub-contractors on this project?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) which companies have entered claims; (b) how many claims have been entered; (c) what is the value of each claim entered by each company; (d) have any of these claims been paid; (e) if the answer to (d) is yes, which claims have been paid; and (f) what were the total estimated costs of the original contracts involved?

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

“ Yes.

“ 2. (a) Portage Mountain Constructors, Kiewit-Dawson-Johnson, Northern Powerplant Builders, Fischbach & Moore of Canada Ltd., Mitsubishi Canada Ltd.; (b) 66; (c), (d), (e), and (f) claims still under negotiation.

“ NOTE.—Claims by sub-contractors are dealt with by prime contractors.”

145 Mrs. *Dailly* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

With reference to Vote No. 96, Provincial Estimates, 1967/68:—

1. What are the names of the post-secondary institutions referred to in this vote?

2. What are the names of the school district colleges referred to in this vote and which ones are presently receiving operation grants and (or) payments?

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

“ 1. Notre Dame University of Nelson, Anglican Theological College, Union Theological College.

“ 2. Vancouver City College and Selkirk College, both of which receive Provincial grants.”

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

159 Mr. Dowding asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

With respect to the *British Columbia Ferry Authority Act Amendment Act, 1966*, what securities of the Province, securities of Canada, or securities guaranteed by the Province or Canada have been transferred from the Province to the Authority pursuant to provisions of the said Act since April 1, 1966, to this date, listing the securities and amounts, interest on each, and date of transfer thereof?

The Hon. Minister of Finance stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

168 Mr. Hall asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

With reference to the registration of voters office at White Rock for the Electoral Districts of Langley, Surrey, and Delta:—

1. What was the total cost of operating this office in the fiscal year 1965/66 and to date in the fiscal year 1966/67?

2. What amounts included in the total expenses mentioned in No. 1 were for (a) salaries and (b) office administration?

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

“ 1. 1965/66, \$10,265.18, and 1966/67 to January 31, 1967, \$39,250.87.

“ 2. (a) 1965/66, \$7,286; 1966/67 to January 31, 1967, \$26,253.06; and (b) 1965/66, \$2,979.18; 1966/67 to January 31, 1967, \$12,997.81.”

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

170 Mr. Hall asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

With reference to the Provincial voters lists used in the 1966 Provincial election in each specific electoral district:—

1. What firms printed the voters lists used in each district?

2. What was the printing cost per name in each list?

3. Were the lists printed in union shops?

4. What was the length of time between the closing of the voters lists and the printing and publishing of the lists?

The Hon. Provincial Secretary stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

172 Mr. Berger asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Did B.C. Hydro, during 1966, purchase electricity from Bonneville Power Authority or any other United States utility?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many kilowatt-hours were purchased and (b) how many mills per kilowatt-hour did B.C. Hydro pay Bonneville Power Authority for the electricity?

3. Did B.C. Hydro, during 1966, purchase electricity from any other American utility?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) how many kilowatt-hours were purchased in each case and (b) how many mills per kilowatt-hour did B.C. Hydro pay in each case for the electricity?
5. Did B.C. Hydro, during 1966, sell electricity to Bonneville Power Authority?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, (a) how many kilowatt-hours were sold in 1966 and (b) how many mills per kilowatt-hour were paid by Bonneville Power Authority?
7. Did B.C. Hydro, during 1966, sell electricity to any other American utility?
8. If the answer to No. 7 is yes, (a) how many kilowatt-hours were sold in 1966 to each utility and (b) how many mills per kilowatt-hour were paid in each case for the electricity?

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

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) 145,687,000 kilowatt-hours and (b) 2 mills per kilowatt-hour in United States funds.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. (a) (1) 132,480,000 kilowatt-hours from Pacific Power & Light Company and (2) 610 kilowatt-hours from Northern Lights Company to serve Kingsgate-Yahk area, and (b) it is not in the public interest to give details of this kind which might prejudice future purchases from competing suppliers.
- “ 5. No.
- “ 6. Not applicable.”

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

With reference to the Royal Commission on Invasion of Privacy under Commissioner R. A. Sargent:—

1. What is the total cost of this Commission to the latest date available?
2. How much of the total cost has been paid to Commissioner Sargent?
3. What rate of remuneration, daily or otherwise, is being paid to Commissioner Sargent for his services during the lifetime of this Commission?

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

- “ 1. As at March 17, 1967, \$5,985.03.
- “ 2. *Nil*.
- “ 3. No rate established.”

174 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What was the total cost of the Royal Commission *re Workmen's Compensation Act*?

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

- “ \$219,288.65.”

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

Regarding the Illecillewaet Bridge on the main road between Revelstoke and Twelve Mile in the Revelstoke-Slocan riding:—

1. When was this bridge built?
2. What is the width usable by a vehicle on the above bridge?
3. What is the normal width allowed by the Department of Highways for a vehicle in transit?
4. What is the load limit at present in use on the bridge?
5. Have plans for replacement of the above bridge been made?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is yes, when will replacement take place?

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

- “ 1. 1928.
- “ 2. Bridge roadway is 14 feet 8 inches curb to curb. Usable width for vehicle of maximum legal height of 12 feet 6 inches is 12 feet 6 inches.
- “ 3. Eight feet.
- “ 4. Four tons (there is a detour available which carries legal loads and overloads by permit).
- “ 5. Yes.
- “ 6. Steel truss span fabricated. Date for construction of substructure and erection of span not set.”

180 Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

Regarding the following construction companies contracting for B.C. Hydro in the Arrow Lakes area: Arrow Contracting Company, S. and H. Contracting Company, Salem Excavating and Construction Company, and Curzon Construction Limited:—

1. Where are each of the above companies registered?
2. What is their headquarters address?
3. Who are the directors of each company?
4. Who are the shareholders of each company?
5. In what specific areas were these companies employed?
6. What volume of business did they do with B.C. Hydro in (a) 1965 and (b) 1966?

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

“ This question involves matters that are presently the subject of Court proceedings.”

183 Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

Regarding the West Kootenay Light and Power Company:—

1. How many kilowatt-hours were purchased by the B.C. Hydro from the above company in the year ended December 31, 1966, (a) what was the cost per kilowatt-hour and (b) what was the total cost of this power?
2. How many kilowatt-hours were purchased by the B.C. Hydro for the Lardeau-Duncan Lake area, (a) what was the cost per kilowatt-hour of this power and (b) what was the total cost?

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

“ 1. For integrated system, 41,713,227 kilowatt-hours; for Westbank, 11,-862,600 kilowatt-hours; for Lardeau, 2,364,000 kilowatt-hours; and total, 55,939,827 kilowatt-hours; (a) it is not in the public interest to give details of this kind which might prejudice future purchases from competing suppliers; (b) for integrated system, \$97,108.44; for Westbank, \$80,315.75; for Lardeau, \$25,192;

and total, \$202,616.19. This power purchased at different times over the period involved at various prices.

"2. See No. 1 above."

186 Mr. *Harding* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

Regarding the Duncan Lake and Libby storages:—

1. When will the storage in each of the above basins be ready for use?
2. What is the total estimated amount of additional power which can be generated by each of the above storages at (a) the West Kootenay plant and (b) the C. M. & S. plants?
3. Will the canal project be built on the Kootenay River to utilize both the Duncan and Libby storages as they become available?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, when will the canal project be built?
5. If the answer to No. 3 is no, have discussions been held with the companies owning the above hydro plants for return or payment of the extra power produced?
6. If the answer to No. 5 is no, will discussions be held?

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

"1. The Duncan project will be operational sometime during the period April 1, 1967, to March 31, 1968.

"2. The total estimated amount of additional power which can be generated by the above storage in any particular year will depend on the actual flow conditions in that year and the installed generating capacity at the West Kootenay and C. M. & S. plants.

"3. No decision has been made as to the date on which the Kootenay Canal project will be built.

"4. See No. 3 above.

"5. Discussions have been held between representatives of the Provincial Government, the companies owning the hydro plants, and British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority.

"6. See No. 5 above."

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

What was the total cost of construction of each of the following vessels of the British Columbia Ferry Authority: "Queen of Sidney," "Queen of Tsawwassen," "Queen of Victoria," "Queen of Vancouver," "Queen of Esquimalt," "Queen of Nanaimo," "Queen of New Westminster," "Queen of Burnaby," "Queen of Saanich," "Queen of Prince Rupert," "Queen of the Islands," "Powell River Queen," "Mayne Queen," and "Bowen Queen"?

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

" 'Queen of Sidney' and 'Queen of Tsawwassen,' \$7,783,951 (for the two vessels); 'Queen of Victoria' and 'Queen of Vancouver,' \$4,915,694 (for the two vessels); 'Queen of Saanich' and 'Queen of Esquimalt,' \$4,600,211 (for the two vessels); 'Queen of Nanaimo,' \$2,169,363; 'Queen of New Westminster,' \$2,160,362; 'Queen of Burnaby,' \$2,586,643; 'Queen of Prince Rupert,' \$3,960,816; 'Queen of the Islands,' \$1,345,673; 'Powell River Queen,' \$719,026; 'Mayne Queen,' \$721,238; and 'Bowen Queen,' \$715,048."

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

With reference to Red Star Petroleum Company:—

1. What is the current price per gallon paid by Red Star for gasoline?
2. What is the current price per gallon received by Red Star in gasoline sales?
3. In each fiscal year since Red Star became a Crown corporation, (a) what was the total revenue received and (b) what was the total of expenditures made?

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

“ 1. Red Star Petroleum pays the following prices for gasoline: (a) Portage Mountain development, 18.12 cents; (b) Arrow project, 19.67 cents; (c) Duncan project, 19.03 cents; and (d) passenger transportation system, special blend gasoline, 13.3 cents to 14.1 cents (depending on location). The above prices include Federal sales tax but do not include Provincial road tax of 13 cents or 1 cent per gallon as appropriate.

“ 2. Red Star Petroleum is not in the business of selling gasoline; however, gasoline is charged to the contractor on the Portage Mountain project and Columbia River projects at 23.97 cents and 25 cents per gallon respectively. This charge is not treated as revenue of Red Star Petroleum Company as the spread between Red Star's cost price and billing price to the contractor is credited to the cost of the respective projects. In the case of the passenger transportation system, that service is charged with gasoline at Red Star's cost. Red Star leases two service-stations to outside parties, receiving only a commission on the gasoline sold by these two stations.

“ 3. Fiscal year ended March 31, 1966, revenue, \$24,163; fiscal year ended March 31, 1965, revenue, \$26,952; fiscal year ended March 31, 1964, revenue, \$19,495; fiscal year ended March 31, 1963, revenue, \$10,947; eight months ended March 29, 1962, revenue, \$10,782. Expenses (repairs to property, taxes, provision for depreciation, etc.), fiscal year ended March 31, 1966, \$10,095; fiscal year ended March 31, 1965, \$6,975; fiscal year ended March 31, 1964, \$9,212; fiscal year ended March 31, 1963, \$4,492; eight months ended March 29, 1962, \$3,313.”

190 Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

With respect to the Hat Creek coal deposit:—

1. During the year ended December 31, 1966, were any negotiations conducted with respect to possible sale of the Hat Creek coal deposit?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) who were the participants in the negotiations and (b) when were the negotiations held?

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

“ 1. Details of negotiations relating to the possible sale of B.C. Hydro properties cannot properly be reported.

“ 2. See No. 1 above.”

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

With reference to the high-voltage direct-current (H.V.D.C.) link to Vancouver Island under construction by B.C. Hydro:—

1. What is the projected cost of the project?
2. What is the projected completion date?
3. Is the construction of the line on schedule at the present time?

4. How much money has been disbursed to date in connection with the project?
5. Is the equipment for the line being supplied by ASEA Limited?
6. How much money has been paid to ASEA Limited to date?

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

- “ 1. \$43.1 millions.
- “ 2. The initial stage of the intertie is scheduled to be completed in July, 1967, and to go into commercial service by September 30, 1967. The capacity is scheduled to be doubled by September, 1968, and doubled again by September, 1969.
- “ 3. Construction is on schedule.
- “ 4. To February 28, 1967, \$12,975,000.
- “ 5. Canadian ASEA Electric Limited is supplying only the terminal equipment at the Mainland and Vancouver Island ends.
- “ 6. To February 28, 1967, \$7,402,254.52.”

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

With respect to rehabilitation services, including grants for related health agencies:—

1. In the year ended December 31, 1966, did the Federal Government provide any financial assistance for the above purposes?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how much and (b) for which purposes?

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

“ Information to December 31, 1966, not available but information to March 31, 1966, provides as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) \$296,354 and (b) under the Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement, the Federal Department of Labour supported 50 per cent of expenditures. This amounted to \$35,035. Under the medical rehabilitation and Crippled Children Grant, the Department of National Health and Welfare provided \$261,319 to assist in the programme for the prevention and treatment of crippling diseases in children and adults.”

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

With respect to public health services:—

1. In the year ended December 31, 1966, did the Federal Government provide any financial assistance for the above purposes?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how much and (b) for which purposes?

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

“ Information to December 31, 1966, not available but information to March 31, 1966, provides as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) \$2,865,122 and (b) professional training, \$148,262; cancer control, \$259,419; public health research, \$417,373; child and maternal health, \$61,683; medical rehabilitation and crippled children, \$261,319; tuberculosis control, \$187,629; general public health, \$1,529,437; and total, \$2,865,122.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.51 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21, 1967

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."

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

Bill (No. 15) intituled *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act*.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *An Act Respecting the Practice of Veterinary Surgery*.

Bill (No. 34) intituled *An Act to Amend the Sheep Protection Act*.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Regulate the Working of All Mines except Coal Mines* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 68) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 71) intituled *An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating 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. 72) intituled *An Act Respecting Medical Services*.

Bill (No. 73) intituled *An Act Respecting the Provincial Museum*.

Bill (No. 75) intituled *An Act Respecting Proscribed Substances*.

Bill (No. 76) intituled *An Act Respecting Regional Hospital Districts* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

In Committee on Bill (No. 76) intituled *An Act Respecting Regional Hospital Districts*, Mr. *Strachan* moved an amendment as follows:—

Section 22, line 3: By deleting all the words after the word "grant" in the third line of clause (1) and adding the words "sufficient to meet all capital requirements of each district" so that the section will then read as follows:—

"The Deputy Minister of Hospital Insurance shall pay annually out of the Hospital Insurance Fund to the board of each district a capital grant sufficient to meet all capital requirements of each district."

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22.

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

Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act Respecting Pollution Control* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

13 Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

With respect to the granting of injunctions in labour-management disputes, in the seven-year period ended December 31, 1966, by years:—

1. How many injunction applications were made to the Courts of British Columbia (a) with respect to strikes, (b) with respect to lockouts?

2. Of the above, (a) how many were against picketing, (b) how many, by years, were *ex parte*?

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* replied as follows:—

"It has been found impracticable to answer this question, as extensive research among all Provincial registries would be required."

133 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

With reference to regulations under the *Fire Marshal Act* regarding emergency lighting:—

1. What types of emergency lighting have been approved?

2. What percentage of Provincial Government buildings are now equipped with the approved lighting?

3. How many city municipalities, district municipalities, town municipalities, village municipalities, local districts, and fire districts have complied with the relevant regulations?

The Hon. *R. W. Bonner* replied as follows:—

"1. Generally speaking, all types, both wet and dry cell batteries, also motor generator. Provided the Chief Inspector of Electrical Energy approves, the Fire Marshal will approve. At the moment nine companies have had 51 models approved for use in British Columbia.

"2. Approximately 88 per cent of those buildings coming within the definition of "hall" and "theatre" required to have emergency lighting are equipped.

"3. Generally speaking, all city, district, town, village, and local district municipalities and fire districts which are constituted by virtue of the *Fire Marshal Act* are progressively complying with the emergency lighting regulation."

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.47 a.m.