

Thursday, March 19, 1964

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *R. O. Wilkes*.

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

GEORGE R. PEARKES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 87) intituled *An Act Respecting Power Development*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 19, 1964.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 10: To amend by deleting section 10 and substituting the following:—

"10. Since the first day of August, 1961, the following Statutes and statutory provisions have not applied and do not apply to the Company, the Commission, or the Authority, except to the extent that may be provided by Order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council:—

"(a) *The Public Utilities Act:*

"(b) *The Companies Act:*

"(c) *The Motor Carrier Act:*

"(d) Sections 84 and 90 to 99, inclusive, of the *Motor-vehicle Act:*

"(e) *The Securities Act:*

"(f) *The Municipal Act, the Vancouver Charter, or the Taxation Act; or*

"(g) Section 30 of the *Drainage, Dyking, and Development Act.*"

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 87) intituled *An Act Respecting Power Development*, 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. 87).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

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

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

Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act Relating to Mental Health.*

Bill (No. 89) intituled *An Act Respecting the Peace River Power Development Company Ltd.* was committed, reported complete without amendment, and, on the motion that the Bill be read a third time now, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—34

Messieurs

<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Lundell</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bonner</i>		

NAYS—14

Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>		

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 92) intituled *An Act to Amend the Forest Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the House reverted to the Order "Committee of Supply."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,758 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1965.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,653 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$84,112 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Central Microfilm Bureau, to 31st March, 1965.

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$510,770 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1965.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119,680 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Library, to 31st March, 1965.

258. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,822 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Archives, to 31st March, 1965.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$205,354 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Public Library Commission, to 31st March, 1965.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Library and Library Association Grants, to 31st March, 1965.

261. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Queen's Printer, to 31st March, 1965.

262. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,680 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1965.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Indian Advisory Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

264. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$435,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (the Crown)—*Workmen's Compensation Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

265. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1965.

266. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1965.

267. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grant to Narcotic Foundation, to 31st March, 1965.

268. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$145,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grant *re* Alcoholic Treatment, to 31st March, 1965.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Capital Improvement District Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

270. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$225,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Historical Sites, to 31st March, 1965.

271. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Homes for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March, 1965.

272. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Recreational Centres for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March, 1965.

273. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Civil Defence, to 31st March, 1965.

274. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$97,836 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Provincial Elections Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

275. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Public Inquiries Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

276. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, *Archaeological and Historic Sites Protection Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$236,530 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

278. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Grants *re* Civil Service—Gratuities under sec. 77 of *Civil Service Act* and other Government employees, to 31st March, 1965.

279. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Retiring Allowances—*Civil Service Act*, sec. 70, and other Government employees, to 31st March, 1965.

280. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Civil Service Schedule Bond, to 31st March, 1965.

281. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

282. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Grants—Retiring Allowances, to 31st March, 1965.

283. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,860,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Civil Service Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

284. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

285. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$802,340 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Public Services Medical Plan Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

286. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,636 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Public Services Group Insurance Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

287. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Death Benefits, to 31st March, 1965.

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

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (President of the Council) presented the Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Public Utilities Commission under the *Public Utilities Act* for the year ended December 31, 1963, and a report of activities pursuant to the *Cemeteries Act* and the *Prearranged Funeral Services Act*.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *R. W. Bonner* (Attorney-General) tabled copies of Statement of Claim and Amended Statement of Claim of Peace River Power Development Company Ltd., plaintiff, and British Columbia Electric Company Limited, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, Attorney-General of British Columbia, and Comptroller-General of British Columbia, defendants, being Supreme Court action No. P1907/62.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, seconded by the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, it was *Ordered*:—

That on Friday, March 20, 1964, and on all following days of the Session, there shall be three distinct sittings in each day—one from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., and one from 8 p.m. until adjournment—unless otherwise ordered.

25 Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With respect to the insurance carried by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority in the fiscal period ended March 31, 1963:—

1. Through what agent or agents was this insurance purchased?
2. What was the total paid out for premiums for this insurance?
3. How much was paid to each agent?
4. What were the corresponding figures in the period April 1, 1963, to December 31, 1963?

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

“1. Broker/agents: Monahan Company Limited/Osler Hammond & Nanton Limited; Reed, Shaw & McNaught; John W. Boyd & Company; Wm. M. Mercer Limited; Willis, Faber & Company Limited; W. H. Jones & Son.

“2. \$254,730.

“3. Monahan Company Limited/Osler Hammond & Nanton Limited, \$12,686; Reed, Shaw & McNaught, \$178,625; John W. Boyd & Company, \$43,178; Wm. M. Mercer Limited, \$5,618; Willis, Faber & Company Limited, \$14,612; and W. H. Jones & Son, \$11.

“4. \$453,371. Monahan Company Limited/Osler Hammond & Nanton Limited, \$327,706; Reed, Shaw & McNaught, \$118,332; John W. Boyd & Company, \$296; Wm. M. Mercer Limited, *nil*; Willis, Faber & Company Limited, \$3,174; W. H. Jones & Son, *nil*; Hagar & Swayne Limited, \$2,400; and Dale & Company, \$1,463.”

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

How many vacancies existed for psychiatric social workers in the Provincial Mental Health Services as at December 31, 1963?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“Provincial Mental Hospital, Essondale, 2; Crease Clinic of Psychological Medicine, Essondale, 2; Valleyview Hospital, Essondale, *nil*; The Woodlands School, New Westminster, *nil*; The Tranquille School, Tranquille, *nil*; Mental Health Centre, Burnaby, *nil*; Mental Health Centre, Victoria, 1; Mental Health Centre, Trail, 1; Mental Health Centre, Nanaimo, 1; and total, 7.”

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

With respect to the nursing staff at The Woodlands School:—

1. What was the total number of nurses employed as at December 31, 1963?
2. (a) How many are graduate psychiatric nurses and (b) how many are registered nurses?
3. Did any nurses resign during the year 1963?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) how many were graduate psychiatric nurses and (b) how many were registered nurses?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. 254.
- “ 2. (a) Psychiatric nurses, 243 and (b) registered nurses, 11.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. (a) Fifty-nine and (b) two.”

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

With reference to the extension of The Woodlands School at Tranquille:—

1. How many patients are now in residence?
2. What is the total number of staff employed?
3. With reference to staff, how many (a) resident psychiatrists are employed, (b) psychiatric nurses are employed, and (c) psychiatric aides are employed?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. As at February 15, 1964, there were 469, of which thirty-seven were multiply-handicapped requiring crib or active hospital care, and 432 were ambulatory, requiring residential care.
- “ 2. 160.
- “ 3. (a) One, (b) thirty-six, and (c) sixty.”

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

1. Are there any mentally retarded patients in the Provincial Mental Hospital at Essondale?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many are there at present and (b) how long have they been patients in the Mental Hospital?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) On December 31, 1963, 273; and (b) less than one year, 11; one to five years, 17; six to ten years, 28; over ten years, 217; total, 273.”

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

How many male and how many female patients were admitted to The Woodlands School during the calendar year 1963?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ Male, 126; female, 104; and total, 230.”

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

1. Did any graduate psychiatric nurses resign from the Mental Health Services during the year 1963?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many resigned and (b) what reasons, if any, were given for resignations?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 206 and (b) other employment, 29; health reasons, 8; personal and family, 92; further education, 16; left British Columbia or area, 42; miscellaneous reasons, 19; total, 206.”

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

At The Woodlands School, how many (a) psychiatric nurses, (b) psychiatric aides, (c) social welfare workers, (d) teachers, and (e) psychologists were employed on January 1, 1963?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“(a) 251, (b) 346, (c) 8, (d) 13, and (e) 3.”

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

With reference to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, the Workmen's Compensation Board, the British Columbia Toll Authority, and the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:—

1. Have any of these agencies since August 9, 1956, paid any moneys to Evergreen Press Limited?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the total amount paid by each agency to date?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, \$31,899.75; Workmen's Compensation Board, \$58,129.07; British Columbia Toll Authority, \$3,139.57; and British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, \$12,450.37.”

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

With reference to litigation costs involved in the placing of the British Columbia Electric Company under public ownership:—

1. What is the estimated or actual total costs to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority?

2. Have any of these costs been paid?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what is the total amount paid to date and (b) what are the names of the individuals or firms who received these moneys and what amounts were they paid?

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

“ 1. \$1,048,361.

“ 2. Yes.

“ 3. (a) \$605,026 and (b) Davis, Hossie, Campbell, Brazier & McLorg, barrister and solicitors, \$214,006; Paine, Edmonds, Mercer & Williams, barrister and solicitors, \$45,332; Harman, McKenzie & Murphy, barrister and solicitors, \$50,805; Blake, Cassels & Graydon, barrister and solicitors, \$8,055; Oscar F. Lundell, Lawson & McIntosh, barrister and solicitors, \$2,295; Marshall & Stevens Limited, valuation engineers, \$31,611; H. Zinder & Associates, utility consultants, \$71,381; R. Grant Limited, appraisers, \$8,680; England, Leonard, McPherson & Company, accountants, \$1,333; McDonald Currie & Company, accountants \$54,650; Peat, Marwick & Mitchell, accountants, \$1,000; Price Waterhouse & Company, accountants, \$7,233; International Power & Engineering Consultants, \$561; Dr. H. L. Purdy, \$22,158; Royal Trust Company, \$49,947; British Columbia Power Corporation, \$35,979.”

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

With reference to litigation costs involved in the placing of the Peace River Power Development Company under public ownership:—

1. What is the estimated or actual total costs to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority?

2. Have any of these costs been paid?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what is the total amount paid to date and (b) what are the names of the individuals or firms who received these moneys and what amounts were they paid?

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

“ 1. \$5,000.

“ 2. No.

“ 3. Not applicable.”

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

1. What was the total construction cost of the following bridges: (a) Agassiz-Rosedale, (b) Kelowna, (c) Nelson, (d) Second Narrows, and (e) Oak Street?

2. Approximately what percentage of the construction cost of the following bridges was collected in tolls up to the time when the tolls on each of these bridges was removed: (a) Agassiz-Rosedale, (b) Kelowna, (c) Nelson, (d) Second Narrows, and (e) Oak Street?

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

“ 1. (a) Agassiz-Rosedale, \$4,551,102; (b) Kelowna, \$8,870,380; (c) Nelson, \$4,569,390; (d) Second Narrows, \$24,187,644; and (e) Oak Street, \$7,580,666.

“ 2. (a) Agassiz-Rosedale, 19½ per cent; (b) Kelowna, 15 per cent; (c) Nelson, 20 per cent; (d) Second Narrows, 9¾ per cent; and (e) Oak Street, tolls not yet removed.”

138 Mr. *Shelford* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Was any consideration or remuneration allowed to, or received by, oil companies for the collection in British Columbia of the 13 cents gasoline tax paid by motor-vehicle operators during the years 1961/62 and 1963?

2. If the answer is yes, how much was allowed or paid for each of those years?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Fiscal year 1961/62, \$297,690.75, and fiscal year 1962/63, \$321,037.53.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Thursday, March 19, 1964

HALF-PAST 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. 87) intituled *An Act Respecting Power Development* was committed, reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, the House reverted to the Order “ Committee of Supply.”

Order for Committee of Supply called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,375 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1965.

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,606 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1965.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$145,442 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Regional Planning Division, to 31st March, 1965.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1965.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Pollution-control Board, to 31st March, 1965.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Winter Works Incentive Programme, to 31st March, 1965.

309. *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, 1965.

310. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,084 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, General Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

311. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,122 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance and Rehabilitation Division, to 31st March, 1965.

312. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,977,754 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Field Service, to 31st March, 1965.

313. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$73,686 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Medical Services Division, to 31st March, 1965.

314. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Social Assistance, to 31st March, 1965.

315. *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, 1965.

316. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, New Denver Pavilion, to 31st March, 1965.

317. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$149,455 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Child Welfare Division, Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

318. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,829,100 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, 1965.

319. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,976 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Provincial Home, to 31st March, 1965.

320. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$475,723 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Brannan Lake School for Boys, to 31st March, 1965.

321. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$324,538 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Willingdon School for Girls, to 31st March, 1965.

322. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$327,830 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance, Blind Persons' Allowances, and Disabled Persons' Allowances Board—Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

323. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,606,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Old-age Assistance, to 31st March, 1965.

324. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$98,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1965.

325. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$864,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Social Welfare, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March, 1965.

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

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

With respect to highway contracts let since January 31, 1963:—

1. What is the identification and the amount of each contract let under the highway-building programme?
2. What has been the total amount paid contractors for work completed or under construction?

The Hon. the Minister of Highways 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.

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

With respect to hospitals operating under the Hospital Insurance Service:—

1. Does the Department maintain records of annual submissions made by the hospitals of British Columbia in connection with their requirements for operating funds?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total amount requested by hospitals for the calendar year ended December 31, 1963; (b) what was the total amount the Department approved as being payable by the Hospital Insurance Service; (c) what supplementary grants were subsequently made to hospitals for operating expenses; (d) to which hospitals were supplementary grants paid?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Details concerning hospitals' revenue and expenditure are tabulated in Hospital Statistics and Administration of the *Hospital Act*, which is published annually by the Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance.”

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

With respect to The Woodlands School:—

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

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how many were known to be waiting as at December 31, 1963?

3. Were there any empty beds in The Woodlands School as at December 31, 1963?

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

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Information not available since a complete survey of applications of patients awaiting entry is now being undertaken.

“ 2, 3, and 4. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. What was the total number and amounts of all hospital budget deficits reported to the Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance in the years 1961 and 1962?

2. What amounts, if any, were paid to hospital boards to cover the deficits referred to in No. 1?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. This information should be obtained from the hospitals concerned.

“ 2. Year-end adjustments are made based upon actual patient-days for the year.”

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

With reference to Nanaimo Regional General Hospital:—

1. Have the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service completed the audit of the hospital accounts to establish the total amount of the Provincial grant payable to the hospital for construction and equipment?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, has the total grant or any portion thereof been paid to the hospital?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is in the affirmative, upon what dates and in what amounts were the relevant moneys paid to the hospital?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. The audit is now being completed.

“ 2. See No. 1.

“ 3. See Nos. 1 and 2.”

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

With reference to the Haines Cut-off:—

1. Did the Provincial Government spend any money on maintenance, repairs, and snow removal in the fiscal years 1961/62, 1962/63, and 1963/64?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what amounts were spent in each relevant year?

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

“ 1. No.

“ 2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

With reference to the reconstruction and repairs to the flood-damaged international Stewart-Premier Road:—

1. How much money, if any, was spent by the Alaska Highways Department in 1961/62, 1962/63, and 1963/64?

2. How much money, if any, was spent by the British Columbia Highways Department in 1961/62, 1962/63, and 1963/64?

3. How much money, if any, was spent by the Silbak-Premier Mine Company in 1961/62, 1962/63, and 1963/64?

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

“ 1. Not known.

“ 2. No expenditure on the section of the road that was cut by floods, as this section is entirely in Alaskan territory.

“ 3. Not known.”

123 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

With reference to litigation costs involved in the placing of the Peace River Power Development Company under public ownership:—

1. What is the estimated or actual total costs to the Crown?

2. Have any of these costs been paid?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what is the total amount paid to date and (b) what are the names of the individuals or firms who received these moneys and what amounts were they paid?

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

“ 1. No estimate.

“ 2. No.

“ 3. See No. 2.”

124 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

With reference to litigation costs involved in the placing of the British Columbia Electric Company under public ownership:—

1. What is the estimated or actual total costs to the Crown?

2. Have any of these costs been paid?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, (a) what is the total amount paid to date and (b) what are the names of the individuals or firms who received these moneys and what amounts were they paid?

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

“ 1. \$246,585.24.

“ 2. Yes.

“ 3. (a) \$186,528.75 and (b) D. T. Braidwood, \$47,391.86; British Columbia Power Corporation Limited, \$1,968.38; Ewart, Kelley, Burk-Robertson, Urie & Butler, \$6,614.51; K. Lysyk, \$5,064; M. M. McFarlane, Q.C., \$104,329.43; G. G. Richardson, \$21,160.57.”

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

1. How many beds are there in the George Pearson Hospital?
2. How many beds in the said hospital are now in actual use?
3. What is the total capacity of the George Pearson Hospital when fully utilized?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. The rated capacity of George Pearson Hospital is 319 beds. Of these, 55 beds are allocated to poliomyelitis care, 132 beds are allocated to tuberculosis care, and 132 beds are allocated to infirmary care, and patients from Marpole and Allico Infirmaries will be transferred to these beds shortly.

“ 2. As at February 29, 1964, 128 beds were occupied.

“ 3. Rated bed capacity at George Pearson Hospital is 319 beds.”

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

In the case of an accident with a Government vehicle is there any assessment made against the driver and, if so, (a) is this assessment made whether it was the driver's fault or not, (b) is there a minimum and maximum assessment, (c) how much are these assessments, (d) does each department or the insurance determine the assessment, (e) what was the total of these assessments during 1963, and (f) are these assessments credited to the insurance fund or to general revenue?

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

“ Yes; (a) only when there was negligence on the part of the driver of the Government vehicle, (b) minimum assessment, \$5 and maximum, \$150, (c) answered by (b), (d) the assessments are recommended by the Interdepartmental Safety Committee, (e) \$2,135, and (f) assessments are credited to general revenue.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 p.m.

Friday, March 20, 1964

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Major *George Wright*.

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. 87) intituled *An Act Respecting Power Development* was read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the House reverted to the Order "Committee of Supply."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

288. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$157,815 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, 1965.

289. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$218,078 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Utilities Commission, *Motor Carrier Act*, to 31st March, 1965.

297. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$87,824 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, General Administration, to 31st March, 1965.

298. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$93,647 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1965.

299. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,166 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Commercial Fisheries Branch, to 31st March, 1965.

300. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$688,522 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Administrative Division, to 31st March, 1965.

301. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$297,992 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Fisheries Management Division, to 31st March, 1965.

302. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240,610 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Game Management Division, to 31st March, 1965.

303. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120,911 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Game Branch, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds, to 31st March, 1965.

304. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$747,796 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic, Travel Division, to 31st March, 1965.

305. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,199 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic, California Office, to 31st March, 1965.

306. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,588 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Tourist Traffic, Photographic Branch, to 31st March, 1965.

307. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,777,690 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Parks Branch, to 31st March, 1965.

308. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March, 1965.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,771,386.87 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1963, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$464,376 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1965.

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

The reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on February 26th and 27th and on March 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th 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, the question was put and agreed to,—

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

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That toward 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) \$1,771,386.87 to make good certain sums expended for the fiscal year ended the 31st day of March, 1963.
- (2) \$395,593,483 toward defraying the several charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March, 1965.

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

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 a Bill (No. 93) 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 read a third time and passed.

Order called for "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

Mr. *Perrault* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKay*,—

Be it Resolved, By this Legislative Assembly that the Government of the Province of British Columbia be urged to consider the exemption from social services tax of meals which cost less than two dollars.

A debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it would interfere with revenue of the Crown and thereby offended Standing Order 67.

Mr. *Perrault* moved, seconded by Mr. *McGeer*,—

That this Legislative Assembly is of the opinion that representations should be made by the Province of British Columbia to the Federal Government with the object of securing an amendment to the *Income Tax Act* whereby contributions up to one hundred dollars per year made to recognized political parties by any one individual be deductible for income-tax purposes.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it would interfere with revenue of the Crown.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Perrault*, seconded by Mr. *McGeer*, the following motion standing on the Order Paper in his name was withdrawn:—

Be it Resolved, By this Legislative Assembly that a Special Committee of this House consisting of nine members—five to be appointed by the President of the Council, three by the Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition, and one by the

Leader of the Liberal Party in British Columbia—be appointed to make appropriate inquiries into the causes of traffic accidents and the fatalities which arise from them, and to report to the Legislature with its observations and any recommendations as to the legislation to be adopted with reference thereto, and that such committee have power to send for persons, papers, or records.

Mr. *Perrault* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gibson*,—

Be it Resolved, By this Legislative Assembly that the Government of British Columbia should consider the advisability of recommending to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority that free transportation on its transit system be provided during slack hours to those receiving Old-age Assistance, Old Age Security with Supplementary Social Allowance, Blind Persons' Allowance, and Disabled Persons' Allowance.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it would interfere with revenue of the Crown.

Mr. *Barrett* moved, seconded by Mr. *Eddie*,—

Be it Resolved, That the Government of British Columbia make representation to the Government of Canada to permit the development of Garibaldi Park as a national park under Federal authority.

A debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it purported to deal with Crown lands and would tend to dictate Government policy with reference thereto.

Mr. *Barrett* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gargrave*,—

Be it Resolved, That this House urge the Federal Government to remove nuclear weapons from Canadian soil.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Price* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Shelford*,—

That Resolution No. 10 be amended by striking out all the words after the word "that" and substituting: "this House recognizes the right of the Federal Government to make decisions regarding the defence of Canada, but deplores the necessity to use nuclear weapons and urges the Government of Canada to make every effort to maintain peace among the nations of the world."

The amendment was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—36

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Lundell</i>
<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—13

Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Dowding</i>			

The motion as amended was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—50

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>LeCours</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Harding</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Turner</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Hahn</i>
<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Speare</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Lundell</i>
<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Matthew</i>		

Mr. *Hartley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Macdonald*,—

Be it Resolved, That this House give consideration to implementing a basic automobile accident insurance plan which would provide compensation to every victim of an automobile accident, and which insurance would be supplied at cost through a Government automobile insurance agency.

A debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Mr. *Campbell* moved, seconded by Mr. *Shelford*,—

That the Government undertake a study of means whereby additional research assistance might be made available to the private members of the Legislature.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. *Nimsick* moved, seconded by Mrs. *Haggen*,—

That this House requests the Provincial Government to consider the advisability of urging the Federal Government to extend diplomatic recognition to the Government of the Peoples Republic of China.

A debate arose.

Motion negatived.

Mr. *Nimsick* moved, seconded by Mr. *Harding*,—

That the House refer to a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of reviewing the Acts of the Province generally referred to as “those dealing with certain professions,” and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council or any professional society for the purpose of:—

- (1) Ascertaining the powers and duties contained therein:
- (2) Considering whether the exercise of such powers and the discharge of such duties by professional societies is in the public interest:
- (3) Considering whether the affairs of such societies are carried on in the public interest:
- (4) Considering the possibility of securing uniformity in the provisions and administration of such Acts; and
- (5) Making such recommendations as the Committee of the Whole may deem to be expedient and advisable, and reporting same to the House.

A debate arose.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. *Hartley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Calder*,—

Resolved, That the Government give consideration to making ambulance services available as a benefit under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service.

A debate arose.

On a point of order being taken, Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the ground that it offended Standing Order 66 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Mr. *Brothers* moved, seconded by Mr. *Chabot*,—

Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that the National and Provincial interests including considerations of regional development, employment, provision of electrical energy, both for a Provincial and National power grid, and the need to obviate public inconvenience connected with flooding and relocation problems are such that the Parliament and Government of Canada be asked to ratify the Columbia River Treaty without delay.

A debate arose.

Mr. *Harding* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Strachan*,—

That Motion No. 18 on the Order Paper be amended by adding: “after full and careful consideration by the External Affairs Committee as promised by the Prime Minister of Canada and after beneficial changes arising from this consideration have been incorporated.”

A debate arose.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 6.05 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, March 20, 1964

FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker ruled that no adjournment having been made of the debate on the amendment to Motion No. 18, the motion was superseded and notice would be required to bring the motion again before the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the Rules were suspended and the debate on the amendment to Motion No. 18 was resumed.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—18

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Squire</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>McKay</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Perrault</i>		

NAYS—31

Messieurs

<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Lundell</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	

The debate continued on the main motion.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—36

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>McKay</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Lundell</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Richter</i>

NAYS—13

Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Dowding</i>			

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

That the order for second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act Relating to Mental Health* be discharged, and the Bill referred to the Select Standing Committee on Social Welfare and Education for study and report.

Mr. *Hartley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Strachan*,—

Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly recommends to the Government consideration of the advisability of applying to the Government of Canada to have control of the British Columbia Telephone Company Limited and its subsidiaries within the Province of British Columbia revert to Provincial jurisdiction and then consider the advisability of placing the said telephone system under public ownership.

A debate arose.

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

Order called for “Public Bills and Orders.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act Respecting the Rehabilitation of Prisoners*.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 47) intituled *An Act to Amend the Marriage Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *An Act to Amend the Gasoline Tax Act, 1948*, a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order on the ground that it interfered with revenue of the Crown and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act to Amend the Real Estate Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 75) intituled *An Act to Amend the Annual Holidays Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order on the ground that it provided an impost on a section of the public and thereby offended Standing Order 67. Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—14

Messieurs

<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Eddie</i>	<i>McKay</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>		

NAYS—36

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>
<i>Perrault</i>	<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Huhn</i>
<i>Macfarlane</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>MacSorley</i>	<i>Lundell</i>
<i>Brothers</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McLeod</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Speare</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Loffmark</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Skillings</i>	<i>Richter</i>

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled *An Act to Amend the Training-schools Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order on the ground that it involved the expenditure of public funds and thereby offended Standing Order 66. Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled *An Act Relating to Cigarette Advertising* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 91) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hours of Work Act* a debate arose.

Motion negatived and Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

3 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

With reference to the 1963 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. Social Credit, \$292,802.40; New Democratic, \$49,417.79; Liberal, \$57,915.25; Progressive Conservative, \$83,667.52; and Communist, no return filed.

" 2. Return of candidates' expenses, general election, 1963:—

Electoral District	Social Credit	New Democratic Party	Communist Party of Canada	Liberal	Progressive Conserva- tive	Other
Alberni.....	\$1,237.51	\$1,181.27	-----	-----	\$1,067.52	-----
Atlin.....	1,970.00	889.77	-----	\$1,500.00	-----	-----
Burnaby.....	{ 1,539.82	1,480.93	-----	1,675.00	1,097.50	-----
	{ 1,539.82	1,480.93	-----	1,675.00	1,097.50	-----
Cariboo.....	892.28	870.86	-----	3,308.23	2,055.10	-----
Chilliwack.....	2,745.41	777.83	-----	1,278.20	1,263.87	-----
Columbia.....	270.00	62.37	-----	496.43	1,321.90	-----
Comox.....	2,259.49	1,433.36	-----	897.53	2,708.52	-----
Cowichan-Newcastle.....	1,433.84	971.44	-----	891.19	1,514.56	-----
Cranbrook.....	399.08	473.99	-----	1,221.00	2,176.15	-----
Delta.....	{ 1,024.99	2,443.69	-----	1,677.08	1,767.41	-----
	{ 1,024.99	2,443.69	-----	1,677.08	1,767.41	-----
Dewdney.....	3,549.56	2,954.11	-----	1,436.00	760.00	-----
Esquimalt.....	1,258.72	1,500.00	-----	1,760.49	1,373.02	-----
Fernie.....	155.85	256.49	-----	2,090.18	-----	-----
Fort George.....	1,988.44	976.34	-----	791.55	1,110.31	-----
Grand Forks-Greenwood.....	460.96	500.27	-----	703.00	-----	-----
Kamloops.....	6,810.00	906.91	-----	3,181.04	10,738.79	-----
Kaslo-Slocan.....	1,262.53	792.35	-----	530.80	559.29	-----
Lillooet.....	3,639.08	1,159.74	-----	3,625.94	2,305.81	-----
Mackenzie.....	2,128.99	1,173.00	-----	1,704.40	-----	-----
Nanaimo and The Islands.....	2,797.99	1,169.82	-----	1,540.32	983.69	-----
Nelson-Creston.....	1,221.33	750.64	-----	3,115.61	2,047.01	-----
New Westminster.....	2,649.40	1,451.88	-----	1,659.80	1,113.32	-----
North Okanagan.....	733.39	1,382.42	-----	3,364.64	2,915.89	-----
North Peace River.....	650.00	100.56	-----	894.39	-----	-----
North Vancouver.....	{ 5,155.06	803.13	\$707.38	7,058.25	1,500.00	-----
	{ 5,155.06	803.13	-----	7,058.25	1,876.70	-----
Oak Bay.....	7,110.31	183.80	-----	5,197.01	2,240.49	-----
Omineca.....	496.82	346.36	-----	506.05	1,396.09	-----
Prince Rupert.....	2,340.95	2,403.67	-----	2,129.44	-----	-----
Revelstoke.....	1,978.37	851.65	-----	722.00	849.90	-----
Rossland-Trail.....	1,118.52	2,121.33	-----	1,434.90	1,355.76	-----
Saanich.....	1,092.61	1,667.11	-----	1,569.75	1,313.88	\$172.38
Salmon Arm.....	1,015.85	2,000.21	-----	463.62	1,252.18	-----
Similkameen.....	1,020.81	1,495.46	-----	1,684.16	1,115.69	-----
Skeena.....	2,455.00	1,384.43	-----	1,412.00	-----	-----
South Okanagan.....	2,908.82	571.37	-----	2,273.19	3,624.66	-----
South Peace River.....	829.31	557.39	-----	939.97	-----	-----
Vancouver-Burrard.....	{ 2,130.00	2,758.31	-----	1,819.59	1,426.50	-----
	{ 2,130.00	2,758.31	-----	1,819.59	1,426.50	-----
Vancouver Centre.....	{ 8,647.59	3,446.39	676.67	2,580.98	1,865.32	-----
	{ 8,647.59	3,446.39	676.67	2,580.98	1,865.32	-----
Vancouver East.....	{ 2,086.49	1,517.25	-----	897.39	1,015.00	-----
	{ 2,086.49	1,517.25	-----	897.39	1,015.00	58.00
	{ 5,057.08	653.19	-----	5,332.04	3,413.70	-----
Vancouver-Point Grey.....	{ 5,057.08	653.20	-----	5,332.03	4,218.13	-----
	{ 5,057.08	653.20	-----	5,332.04	3,413.70	-----
	{ 1,879.00	1,366.17	173.51	2,612.87	660.44	-----
Victoria City.....	{ 1,879.00	1,366.17	-----	2,612.88	679.80	-----
	{ 1,879.00	1,366.17	-----	2,612.88	672.01	-----
Yale.....	3,032.08	1,155.91	-----	1,520.00	1,330.12	-----"

31 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following question:—

What was the total number of social workers in the Social Welfare Branch, by regions, as at December 31, 1963?

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

“Region 1, 36½; Region 2, 57; Region 3, 31; Region 4, 27; Region 5, 31½; Region 6, 33; Region 7, 16½; and total, 232½.”

34 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. In each social welfare office in the Province, what is the actual number of social workers employed as at December 31, 1963, exclusive of supervisors?

2. In each relevant office what is the total case load?

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

<i>Region 1</i>		
	Number of Social Workers	Total Case Load
Alberni.....	4	1,172
Courtenay.....	5	1,380
Duncan.....	4	1,069
Nanaimo.....	8	2,303
Saanich.....	2	974
Victoria City.....	9	2,758
Victoria District.....	5½	1,703
<i>Region 2</i>		
Burnaby.....	13	3,660
Coquitlam.....	3	867
New Westminster District.....	5	1,158
New Westminster City.....	6	1,834
North Vancouver.....	4	1,565
Powell River.....	2	426
Richmond.....	4	1,033
Vancouver District.....	5	1,077
Vancouver City.....	58	21,031
West Vancouver.....	2	610
<i>Region 3</i>		
Kamloops.....	8	1,990
Kelowna.....	3	718
Lillooet.....	2	587
Oliver.....	1	188
Penticton.....	4	1,342
Salmon Arm.....	3	641
Vernon.....	4	1,216
Kamloops City.....	2	682
Kelowna City.....	2	809
Penticton City.....	2	745
Vernon City.....	1	610
<i>Region 4</i>		
Cranbrook.....	5	1,165
Creston.....	2	646
Fernie.....	1	403
Grand Forks.....	2	553
Nelson.....	6	1,165
New Denver.....	2	429
Trail.....	5	1,101

	Number of Social Workers	Total Case Load
<i>Region 5</i>		
Dawson Creek.....	6½	1,355
Fort St. John.....	4	855
Prince George (main).....	5	1,230
Prince George (sub).....	3	1,075
Quesnel.....	3	809
Vanderhoof.....	2	484
Williams Lake.....	2	613
<i>Region 6</i>		
Abbotsford.....	6	2,340
Chilliwack.....	9	2,573
Haney.....	3	1,187
Langley.....	5	1,267
Surrey.....	12	3,577
White Rock.....	1	613
<i>Region 7</i>		
Burns Lake.....	1	277
Prince Rupert.....	6	966
Smithers.....	3	654
Terrace.....	3½	613

35 Mr. Barrett asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. Were any cases referred to the Rehabilitation Co-ordinator of the Public Health Branch by the Social Welfare Branch during the calendar year 1963?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many and (b) how many of these cases were successfully rehabilitated during the year?

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

- “ 1. 159.
- “ 2. (a) Thirty-four and (b) ninety-one.”

38 Mr. Barrett asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. Did any social workers resign during 1963?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total number of resignations, (b) how many of these resignations were (i) administrative, (ii) supervisory, (iii) field workers, and (c) of those who resigned, how many were university trained?

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

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. (a) Sixty-three; (b) (i) nil, (ii) two, (iii) sixty-one; and (c) nineteen.”

39 Mr. Barrett asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With respect to grants of social assistance made between April 1, 1963, and December 31, 1963:—

1. How many individuals were granted Social Allowance?
2. What was the case load and total number of recipients on a monthly basis?

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

“ Social Allowances for 1963 were as follows:—

	Number of Grants (Cases Opened)	Case Load	Total Number of Recipients
April.....	5,067	28,180	63,000
May.....	4,947	28,318	62,316
June.....	5,129	28,145	61,784
July.....	5,561	27,729	59,858
August.....	5,605	26,794	57,746
September.....	4,878	25,658	55,593
October.....	6,764	26,605	57,759
November.....	6,013	27,956	61,771

“ Information for December not available as yet.”

40 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. Were any children who are wards of the Superintendent of Child Welfare awaiting entry to The Woodlands School as at December 31, 1963?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how are these retarded children cared for, (b) for what length of time have these retarded children been awaiting entry, and (c) how many of these children were awaiting entry at December 31, 1963?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) In general hospitals, foster or boarding homes; (b) one 22 months, two 6 months, one 5 months, one 2 months, two 1 month; (c) seven.”

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

With reference to the Premier's Committee for World Relief:—

1. Have any voluntary contributions been received for the fund?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how much was received and (b) has the Government made any matching grants on a dollar-for-dollar basis?

3. Has any of the \$50,000 Government grant been disbursed and, if so, in what amount?

4. How many meetings of the Committee have taken place since its inception?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ Please refer to the Journals, Legislative Assembly, British Columbia, 1963.”

63 Mr. *Hartley* 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, 1963?

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?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. \$5,372,466.

“ 2. \$2,663,580.

“ 3. \$781,701.

“ 4. Municipalities, \$708,361; hospital improvement districts, \$899,242; fund raising, \$319,582.”

80 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With reference to medical identity cards issued to recipients of social assistance, excluding supplementary social assistance paid to pensioners:—

1. How many cards were in issue on December 31, 1963, or at the latest date available?
2. How many heads of families were covered by the cards referred to in No. 1?
3. How many dependents were covered by the cards referred to in No. 1?

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

“ 1. At November 30, 1963, 48,799 persons were eligible for health services (excluding Old Age Security Supplementary Social Allowance cases who are eligible).

“ 2 and 3. Breakdown of heads of families and dependents is not kept; total number of individuals covered only.”

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

With respect to chronic care treatment facilities, during 1963 how much money was expended by the Provincial Government on a programme of chronic hospital care exclusive of active chronic expenditures (a) for planning and (b) for construction?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ There is no hospital insurance coverage for this type of care.”

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

What immediate emergency measures, if any, is the Minister taking to provide sufficient staff, beds, and wards to accommodate emergency cases seeking admission to The Woodlands School?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“A Planning Committee, in conjunction with the Department of Public Works, is active in preparing for the construction of additional beds at Tranquille and Victoria for the care of the mentally retarded.”

121 Mr. *Eddie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

With respect to payments of supplementary social assistance:—

1. Are any recipients in receipt of pay at the present time?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many and (b) how many receive the maximum allowance of \$24?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 31,719 and (b) 20,931.”

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

1. On what date did Dr. Kerwood first give notice in writing of his resignation as Superintendent of the School for Mental Defectives, Woodlands?
2. On what date did Dr. Laughland first give notice in writing of his resignation as Assistant Superintendent of the School for Mental Defectives, Woodlands?

3. Did Dr. Laughland give written reasons for his resignation?
4. What were his reasons as stated by him, verbatim?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. His intent was served orally in September, 1963, and in writing on November 20, 1963.
- “ 2. His intent was served orally in January, 1963, and in writing on December 20, 1963.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. Letters of resignation are confidential.”

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

1. What is the total capacity of Tranquille School for Mental Defectives when all buildings and sleeping-rooms are fully utilized?
2. What was the total bed capacity of Tranquille Sanatorium when used to maximum capacity as a tuberculosis treatment centre?
3. What is the present population of the school, aforesaid, as of February 15, 1964?
4. How many patients have been moved from The Woodlands School for Mental Defectives to Tranquille between January 1, 1963, and August 15, 1963, and between August 16, 1963, and January 1, 1964?
5. How many patients have been moved from The Woodlands School, aforesaid, to Tranquille between January 1, 1964, and February 15, 1964?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. 518.
- “ 2. 391.
- “ 3. 469.
- “ 4. January 1, 1963, to August 15, 1963, 110; August 16, 1963, to January 1, 1964, 23.
- “ 5. January 2, 1964, to February 15, 1964, 37.”

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

With respect to the waiting-list referred to in Reg. No. 1953 (1) relating to applicants to The Woodlands School for Mental Defectives:—

1. How many of the persons on the present waiting-list are (a) idiots—that is to say, persons to such a degree defective in mind from birth or from an early age as to be unable to guard themselves against common physical dangers; (b) imbeciles—that is to say, persons in whose case there exists from birth or from an early age mental defectiveness not amounting to idiocy, yet so pronounced that they are incapable of managing themselves or their affairs, or, in the case of children, of being taught to do so; and (c) morons—that is to say, persons in whose case there exists from birth or from an early age defectiveness not amounting to imbecility, yet so pronounced that they require care, supervision, and control for the protection of themselves and others, or, in the case of children, that they appear to be permanently incapable by reason of such defectiveness of receiving proper benefit from the instruction in schools?
2. How many of the persons referred to in (a), (b), and (c), respectively, have been assessed by medical experts of the school aforesaid?

3. How many of the persons on the present waiting-list are (a) over 12 years of age, (b) over 9 years of age, (c) over 6 years of age, (d) over 4 years of age, and (e) over 2 years of age?

4. How many of the persons on the present waiting-list, aforesaid, have been on the list for (a) 8 years or more, (b) 6 years or more, (c) 4 years or more, and (d) 2 years or more?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. Information not available since all applications for admission are currently being surveyed.

“ 2 to 4. *See No. 1.*”

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

1. In whose possession is the waiting-list for the School for Mental Defectives, Woodlands, kept at the present time?

2. Was the said waiting-list removed from the custody of the Superintendent of the said school at any time between January, 1963, and December 31, 1963?

3. If so removed, to whom was it delivered and when?

4. If so removed, has it been returned to the Acting Superintendent?

5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, when was it returned?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“ 1. All records are kept by the Acting Medical Superintendent.

“ 2. No.

“ 3 to 5. Not applicable.”

137 Mr. *Dowding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Social Welfare the following questions:—

1. How many persons classified as deserted wives under the *Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act* are in receipt of social assistance?

2. Are any social workers delegated to investigate the ability of husbands of deserted wives to pay maintenance where maintenance orders have been made?

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

“ 1. Detailed information not available.

“ 2. Yes.”

Mr. Speaker declared a recess of twenty minutes.

HALF-PAST SEVEN 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 Probates Recognition Act.*

(No. 2) *An Act Respecting the Acquisition of the Common Shares in the Capital Stock of British Columbia Electric Company Limited.*

(No. 3) *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Foundation Act.*

- (No. 4) *An Act to Amend the Execution Act.*
- (No. 8) *An Act to Amend the Public Bodies Financial Information Act.*
- (No. 9) *An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954.*
- (No. 10) *An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 1962.*
- (No. 11) *An Act Respecting the Removal of Tolls from the Oak Street Bridge and Deas Island Tunnel.*
- (No. 12) *An Act to Amend the Toll Highways and Bridges Authority Act.*
- (No. 13) *An Act to Amend the Succession Duty Act.*
- (No. 14) *An Act to Establish the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority.*
- (No. 15) *An Act to Amend the Revenue Act.*
- (No. 16) *An Act to Amend the Trade-schools Regulation Act.*
- (No. 17) *An Act to Amend the Probation Act.*
- (No. 18) *An Act to Amend the Provincial Home-owner Grant Act.*
- (No. 19) *An Act to Amend the Family and Children's Court Act.*
- (No. 20) *An Act to Amend the Fair Employment Practices Act.*
- (No. 22) *An Act Respecting Contributions for the Blind.*
- (No. 23) *An Act to Amend the Public Documents Disposal Act.*
- (No. 25) *An Act to Amend the Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources Act.*
- (No. 26) *An Act to Amend the Soldiers' Land Act.*
- (No. 27) *An Act to Amend the Okanagan Flood-control Act.*
- (No. 28) *An Act to Amend the Irrigation District Rehabilitation Act.*
- (No. 29) *An Act to Amend the Stock Brands Act.*
- (No. 30) *An Act to Amend the Live-stock Public Sales Act.*
- (No. 31) *An Act to Amend the Beef Grading Act.*
- (No. 32) *An Act to Amend the Adoption Act.*
- (No. 33) *An Act to Amend the District of Surrey Hospital Grant Enabling Act.*
- (No. 34) *An Act to Amend the Public Libraries Act.*
- (No. 35) *An Act to Amend the Milk Industry Act.*
- (No. 36) *An Act to Amend the Traffic Victims Indemnity Fund Act, 1961.*
- (No. 37) *An Act to Amend the Royal Canadian Legion Act.*
- (No. 38) *An Act to Amend the Children of Unmarried Parents Act.*
- (No. 39) *An Act to Amend the Queen's Counsel Act.*
- (No. 40) *An Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act.*
- (No. 41) *An Act to Amend the County Courts Act.*
- (No. 42) *An Act Respecting Relief with Regard to Certain Contracts.*
- (No. 43) *An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act, 1961.*
- (No. 44) *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act.*
- (No. 45) *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act.*
- (No. 49) *An Act to Amend the Attachment of Debts Act.*
- (No. 50) *An Act to Dissolve The Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company.*
- (No. 51) *An Act to Dissolve Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company.*
- (No. 52) *An Act to Incorporate British Columbia Motorist Insurance Company.*
- (No. 53) *An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922.*
- (No. 55) *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter.*

- (No. 56) *An Act Respecting Guaranty Trust Company of Canada and Prudential Trust Company Limited.*
- (No. 57) *An Act to Incorporate the United Home Mutual Life Insurance Company.*
- (No. 61) *An Act to Amend the Official Surveys Act.*
- (No. 62) *An Act to Amend the Mineral Act.*
- (No. 63) *An Act Respecting Underground Storage of Hydrocarbons.*
- (No. 64) *An Act Relating to Mental Health.*
- (No. 67) *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act.*
- (No. 68) *An Act to Amend the Highway Act.*
- (No. 69) *An Act to Amend the Controlled Access Highways Act.*
- (No. 70) *An Act to Amend the Department of Highways Act.*
- (No. 71) *An Act to Amend the Placer-mining Act.*
- (No. 72) *An Act to Amend the Pharmacy Act.*
- (No. 73) *An Act to Amend the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Act.*
- (No. 74) *An Act to Amend the Public Utilities Act.*
- (No. 77) *An Act to Amend the Jury Act.*
- (No. 78) *An Act to Amend the Private Detectives' Licensing Act.*
- (No. 79) *An Act to Amend the Chiropractic Act.*
- (No. 80) *An Act to Amend the Laws Declaratory Act.*
- (No. 81) *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act.*
- (No. 82) *An Act to Amend the Patients' Estates Act.*
- (No. 84) *An Act to Amend the Trust Companies Act.*
- (No. 86) *An Act to Amend the Canada-British Columbia Joint Development Act.*
- (No. 87) *An Act Respecting Power Development.*
- (No. 88) *An Act to Amend the Small Debts Courts Act.*
- (No. 89) *An Act Respecting the Peace River Power Development Company Ltd.*
- (No. 90) *An Act to Amend the Assessment Equalization Act.*
- (No. 92) *An Act to Amend the Forest Act.*

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

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

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

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 93) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia.*

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

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

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

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

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

It is commendable to note that the *Mental Health Act, 1964*, replaces all present Statutes respecting the care and treatment of mentally disordered persons and, by modernizing the legislation in this respect, permits the development of comprehensive psychiatric services.

Your authorization of the *County Courts Act Amendment Act, 1964*, and the *Supreme Court Act Amendment Act, 1964*, gives County Court Judges the jurisdiction to include criminal jury trials and the right to function as Local Judges of the Supreme Court in Vancouver, Victoria, and New Westminster.

The *Jury Act Amendment Act, 1964*, provides increased remuneration to jurors and alters the basis of exemption from jury service.

Provision for expanded inspection and auditing in the *Credit Union Act, 1961, Amendment Act, 1964*, affords further protection to credit union members.

The amendments to the *Insurance Act* and the *Motor-vehicle Act* are commendable in that maximum insurance coverage will be increased to \$50,000.

It is with gratification that I note my Government's intention to remove tolls from the Deas Island Tunnel and Oak Street Bridge as of April 1, 1964.

In approving the *Toll Highways and Bridges Authority Act Amendment Act, 1964*, the name of the Authority has been changed to the "British Columbia Ferry Authority," which now more suitably describes the Authority.

The *Revenue Act Amendment Act, 1964*, provides for investment, in the right of the Province, in shares up to 25 per cent of the capital of a bank to be established in British Columbia.

In order to assist home-owners who for some time have occupied their residences, the amendment to the *Assessment Equalization Act*, approved by you, will consider only the present residential use of the land rather than the higher prevailing assessment values.

You are to be commended in enacting the *Fair Employment Practices Act Amendment Act, 1964*, which makes provisions prohibiting discrimination against those persons between 45 and 65 years of age.

Further beneficial legislation has been enacted on behalf of municipalities in the *Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1964*.

By your approval of the *Public Libraries Act Amendment Act, 1964*, you have provided citizens living outside municipalities the right to use the facilities of libraries.

The *Adoption Act Amendment Act, 1964*, reduces residential requirements from one year to six months before the granting of the right of adoption.

In the *Underground Storage Act, 1964*, you have established regulations for the underground storage of petroleum and natural gas.

Members of the Legislative Assembly are to be congratulated in providing for continued improvements in all facets of British Columbia's interests and services, with the result that substantial benefits should accrue from these provisions and the varied legislation.

I thank you for the earnestness of your deliberations and labours and for the supplies 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.*