

Monday, March 20th, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. F. Dangerfield*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, seconded by the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, it was *Ordered* that the Rules be suspended to permit the moving, without notice, of a motion concerning the late Queen's Printer.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, seconded by the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House express its sincere regret at the death of Don McDiarmid, Esquire, for many years Printer for our Most Gracious Sovereign, and that the Speaker do convey to the family of the late Mr. McDiarmid the condolences and sincere sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly. (*Nem. con.*)

At the request of Mr. Speaker, the House expressed its sympathy by standing in silence.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* 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. 42) intitled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 16th, 1961.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 6: To strike out and substitute:—

“6. Section 10 is amended as follows:—

“(a) By striking out clause (c) of subsection (1) and substituting:—

““(c) Where a collective agreement is in force, then only during the eleventh and twelfth months in each year of its term or of any renewal or continuation thereof, and during the last two months of the term of the agreement, except that a trade-union that is a party to the collective agreement but is not certified with respect to employees covered by the agreement may apply at any time.’

“(b) By renumbering subsection (3) as subsection (4), striking out the present subsection (4), and inserting the following as subsection (3):—

“(3) The Board shall not certify the trade-union under subsection (2) unless

““(a) the unit is appropriate for collective bargaining in respect of all the employers; and

““(b) all the employers have consented to representation by one trade-union for the unit; and

““(c) a majority of the employees of each employer are members in good standing of the trade-union making the application.’”

Section 9: To strike out the last line of clause (c) of the proposed section 13 and to substitute "certified trade-union," and to strike out clause (d) of the proposed section 13.

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. 42) intituled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act*, 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. 42).

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."

Bill (No. 18) intituled *An Act to Amend the Logging Tax Act* was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Taxation Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor Carrier Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *An Act to Amend the Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled *An Act to Amend the Adoption Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 36) intituled *An Act to Amend the Local Services Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled *An Act to Amend the Annual Holidays Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled *An Act to Amend the Beef Grading Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled *An Act Respecting Teachers' Pensions* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Amend the Assessment Equalization Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trustee Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Dowding, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *An Act to Amend the Fisheries Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Calder, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day:—

Bill (No. 33) intituled *An Act to Amend the Game Act.*

Bill (No. 43) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mental Hospitals Act.*

Bill (No. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act.*

Bill (No. 47) intituled *An Act to Amend the Health Act.*

Bill (No. 48) intituled *An Act to Amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.*

Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act Respecting Cornea Transplants.*

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

Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act to Authorize the Granting of Certain Lands to the University of British Columbia.*

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

Bill (No. 64) intituled *An Act Respecting Credit Unions.*

Bill (No. 66) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hairdressers Act.*

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

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

Bill (No. 69) intituled *An Act to Amend the Farmers' and Women's Institutes Act.*

Bill (No. 70) intituled *An Act to Amend the Welfare Institutions Licensing Act.*

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 71) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hospital Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mrs. Mather, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled *An Act to Amend the Real Estate Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Macdonald, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Monday, March 20th, 1961

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* 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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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 the Constitution Act*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Law Stamp Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 75) intituled *An Act to Amend the Law Stamp Act*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate Traffic Victims Indemnity Fund*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 76) intituled *An Act to Incorporate Traffic Victims Indemnity Fund*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 79) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 81) intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Bills of Sale*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 80) intituled *An Act Respecting Bills of Sale*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Conditional Sales*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 83) intituled *An Act Respecting Conditional Sales*, 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 to-day.

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 a Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Assignments of Book Accounts*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 82) intituled *An Act Respecting Assignments of Book Accounts*, 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 to-day.

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* 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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 85) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Act*, 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 to-day.

The Hon. *W. K. Kiernan* 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. 35) intituled *An Act with Respect to Bounty on Copper*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 16th, 1961.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 2: To strike out that part of the proposed section 2 following clause (b), and substitute the words "or both, produced from ore or concentrates mined and smelted or mined and refined within the Province, but of not more than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars in any one year or more than a total of two million five hundred thousand dollars."

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. 35) intituled *An Act with Respect to Bounty on Copper*, 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. 35).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* 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. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 14th, 1961.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 16, clause (b): To insert in the proposed clause (f1), before the word "authorize," in the first line, the words "after consultation with the District Superintendent,".

Section 24: To strike out section 24 and to substitute the following:—

"24. Section 163 is amended by striking out clauses (b) and (h) and substituting:—

"(b) where instruction in kindergarten work is considered desirable and expedient by the Board, and there are not less than twenty-five pupils of the required age-group who will be in regular attendance in each class so established, authorize the establishment and maintenance of kindergarten classes for children one year younger than the age required for admission to Grade I, but not more than one-half of the essential operating expenses thereof shall be included in or approved as essential operating expenses for the purpose of section 182.

"(h) if the approval of the Superintendent of Education is obtained, authorize the establishment and maintenance of a class in which instruction is offered in subjects of Grade XIII (Senior Matriculation), but not more than one-half of the essential operating expenses thereof shall be included in or approved as essential operating expenses for the purpose of section 182.'"

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. 46) intituled *An Act to Amend the Public Schools Act*, 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. 46).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi 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 a Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Compensation for Lands Taken from Edwin Alston Parkford*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 77) intituled *An Act Respecting Compensation for Lands Taken from Edwin Alston Parkford*, 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 to-day.

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* 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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 78) intituled *An Act to Amend the Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act*, 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 to-day.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 11) intituled *An Act to Amend the Societies 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 to-day.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 26) intituled *An Act to Amend the Small Debts Court 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 to-day.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House reverted to Committee of Supply.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21st, 1961

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Envoy *E. Welch*.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* 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 a Bill intituled *An Act to Provide a Superannuation Allowance for Thomas Uphill*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 20th, 1961.

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. 29) intituled *An Act to Provide a Superannuation Allowance for Thomas Uphill*, 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 to-day.

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. 39) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act* was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Amend the Assessment Equalization Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 33) intituled *An Act to Amend the Game Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 34) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled *An Act with Respect to Bounty on Copper* was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 40) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

Bill (No. 43) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mental Hospitals Act* was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again.

Bill (No. 47) intituled *An Act to Amend the Health Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting after to-day.

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

Bill (No. 49) intituled *An Act Respecting Cornea Transplants* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 61) intituled *An Act to Amend the Water Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled *An Act to Authorize the Granting of Certain Lands to the University of British Columbia* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled *An Act to Amend the Mineral Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *An Act to Amend the Provincial Infirmaries Act* was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trustee Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Cox (on behalf of Mr. Dowding), the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 71) intituled *An Act to Amend the Hospital Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled *An Act to Amend the Real Estate Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting after to-day:—

Bill (No. 26) intituled *An Act to Amend the Small Debts Court Act*.

Bill (No. 74) intituled *An Act to Amend the Constitution Act*.

Bill (No. 75) intituled *An Act to Amend the Law Stamp Act*.

Bill (No. 80) intituled *An Act Respecting Bills of Sale*.

Bill (No. 82) intituled *An Act Respecting Assignments of Book Accounts*.

Bill (No. 83) intituled *An Act Respecting Conditional Sales*.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled *An Act to Incorporate Traffic Victims Indemnity Fund* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Turner*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 77) intituled *An Act Respecting Compensation for Lands Taken from Edwin Alston Parkford* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Nimsick*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 79) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Turner*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 81) intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hobbs*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Nimsick*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* presented the Fifty-fifth Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture, 1960.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Speare* presented the brief of Pineview Memorial Gardens (B.C.) Ltd.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *Carnell* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

MR. SPEAKER:

March 21st, 1961.

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

Pursuant to Order of the House by Resolution, "That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to examine forthwith whether or not the Government of British Columbia should, under the authority of section 65 of the *Milk Industry Act*, chapter 243, R.S.B.C. 1960, regulate to require that all

persons distributing, selling, offering for sale, or placing on consignment for sale, either by wholesale or by retail, milk in fluid form, buttermilk, or reconstituted milk as defined in section 2 of the Act, shall do so only in a package of a capacity of (a) one-half pint, or (b) one pint, or (c) one quart, or (d) a multiple of a quart, all in Canada standard measure."

Your Committee held meetings at which submissions were heard from groups interested in the merchandising of milk products, representing consumers, dairies, wholesalers, retailers, and interested individuals.

Your Committee respectfully recommends to this House as follows:—

"That the Committee recommend to the Government that they take no action in respect to regulating the size of milk containers and packaging for sale of milk."

Respectfully submitted.

S. CARNELL, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

Mr. *Perrault* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following questions:—

In respect to Columbia River development:—

1. What firms have been awarded contracts for engineering in respect of power developments to be undertaken by the British Columbia Hydro Commission for Columbia River development?

2. On what basis were these firms chosen?

3. Are all of the companies named experienced in the engineering of dams and, if so, name similar projects engineered in each case?

4. Who made the final decision regarding the firms chosen?

5. Under what description and for what location was each contract awarded?

6. What is the estimated value of the contract in each case?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

"1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. These are questions which should properly be addressed to the Hon. the Minister of Finance, to whom the Chairman of the Power Commission makes report."

Mr. *Huhn* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following questions:—

1. Are there any community pastures in the North Peace River constituency?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, (a) how many, (b) what is the acreage in each parcel, (c) is the Department anticipating working on these this summer, (d) if the answer to (c) is no, when is the work to be done?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

"1. There are no community pastures currently developed in the North Peace River constituency, but five suitable areas have been reserved for future development.

"2. (a), (b), (c), and (d) The 1961 programme north of the Peace River covers initial development of one area, to include fencing, trail clearing, and water facilities."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.