

Wednesday, February 18, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. W. Chapman*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. R. Loffmark*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 3) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Treatment Plant Assistance Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Amend the Contributory Negligence Act* was read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *W. D. Black* (Minister of Highways) presented the British Columbia Government Aircraft Passenger Log for 1969.

The Hon. *C. M. Shelford* (Minister of Agriculture) presented The Milk Board Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 1969.

20 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

With reference to payments to physicians under the British Columbia Over-all Medical Plan:—

1. Does the plan keep a record of payments made to individual physicians to assist them when declaring income for income-tax purposes?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the total amount recorded for this purpose during the first 12 months of medicare from July 1, 1968?

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

"1. No.

"2. Not applicable."

32 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Did the Department of Highways build the road into Premier Lake Park?

2. If not, did the Government grant any money toward the building of the road?

3. Is the road into Premier Lake Park classed as a public road?

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

"1. No.

"2. No. Road improvements have been carried out by the Department of Highways.

"3. Yes."

40 Mr. *Cocke* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

With reference to the operation of the British Columbia Over-all Medical Services Plan, from July 1, 1968, to March 31, 1969, including coverage by certified carriers:—

1. What was the total number of persons, excluding dependents, covered under the family rate?

2. What was the total number of persons covered under the single rate?

3. What was the total number of dependents covered?

4. Did any of the persons covered in Nos. 1 and 2 receive premium subsidies of 90 or 50 per cent?

5. If the answer to No. 4 is yes, how many families receive (a) 90 per cent or (b) 50 per cent subsidy and how many single persons receive (a) 90 per cent or (b) 50 per cent subsidy?

6. What was the average claim payment per family?

7. What was the total payment made for insured services?

8. What was the average payment per service?

9. What was the *per capita* cost of insured services?

10. What was the *per capita* administration cost?

11. What percentage of the total costs was for administration?

12. How much was paid for physicians' services?

13. Were any payments received from the *Medical Grant Act* Stabilization Fund and, if so, in what amounts?

14. What was the total amount received from premiums?

15. What was the total amount due or received from the Federal Government under the national medicare plan?

16. In the case of each individual carrier, (a) what was the total number of persons covered, (b) what were the total premiums received, (c) what were the total expenditures, and (d) what percentage of costs was for administration?

17. With reference to the total amount paid for physicians' services, how much was for medical services and how much for surgical services?

18. How many doctors rendered services under the Plan?

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

" 1. As at March 31, 1969, under the family rate of two, 156,479, and under the family rate of three, 279,922.

" 2. As at March 31, 1969, 316,458.

" 3. As at March 31, 1969, 1,131,720.

" 4. Yes.

" 5. As at March 31, 1969: (a) Families receiving 90 per cent subsidy, family of two, 30,819; family of three or more, 26,297; total, 57,116; (b) families receiving 50 per cent subsidy, family of two, 9,297; family of three or more, 7,676; total, 16,973; single persons receiving (a) 90 per cent subsidy, 124,893; and (b) 50 per cent subsidy, 17,945.

" 6. This information is not available.

" 7. See Public Accounts.

" 8. From figures available as at March 31, 1969, \$7.22.

" 9. The average monthly *per capita* cost for the period ended March 31, 1969, was \$4.45.

" 10. Average monthly *per capita* for period ended March 31, 1969, 24.6 cents.

" 11. 5.2 per cent.

" 12. See Public Accounts.

“ 13. See Public Accounts.

“ 14. See Public Accounts.

“ 15. See Public Accounts.

“ 16. (a) Persons covered under the Over-all Medical Services Plan of British Columbia as at March 31, 1969, through licensed carriers: British Columbia Medical Plan, 791,272; Canadian Pacific Employees' Medical Association, 28,390; C.U. & C. Health Services Society, 171,484; Medical Services Association, 849,456; Provincial Teachers' Medical Services, 43,977; total, 1,884,579.

“(b) Premiums received and remitted to the Medical Services Commission through licensed carriers: Automobile Retailers' Association, \$232,994; British Columbia Medical Plan, \$16,944,794; Canadian Pacific Employees' Medical Association, \$881,086; C.U. & C. Health Services Society, \$4,883,757; Fraser Valley Medical Services Society, \$385,269; Medical Services Association, \$24,338,780; Provincial Teachers' Medical Services, \$1,388,903; total, \$49,055,583.

“(c) Not pertinent by carrier as all expenditures are made by the Commission, including reimbursement to licensed carriers for proportionate salaries and general office expenses and all payments for benefits.

“(d) Not pertinent by carrier since by and under the Medical Services Commission variant responsibilities and functions were designated and facilities used to process and pay accounts for benefits and enroll and collect premiums for the one Over-all Medical Services Plan of British Columbia.

“ 17. This information not available.

“ 18. This information not available.”

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

Relative to the Stewart–Watson Lake Highway other than Projects Nos. 1702 and 1391:—

1. Were any highway sections repaired in 1969/70?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the highway sections and what was the total cost of repairs to each highway section?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Alaska Highway to Cassiar Turnoff, Project No. 2111, Mile 36 to 47, \$245,480.96; Blue River and Mud Creek Hills, Project No. 2027 (2 miles), \$18,424.68; Bear Pass Section and Surprise Creek, \$7,817.42.”

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

Relative to bridges on the Stewart–Watson Lake Highway other than Project No. 515, Contract No. 1:—

1. Were any bridges repaired in 1969/70?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what highway sections are they located, and what was the total cost of repairs to each bridge?

3. Were any new bridges built in 1969/70?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what highway sections are they located, and what was the total cost of construction of each bridge?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Sawmill Creek Bridge (replaced by culvert), Mile 103, \$2,000; Surprise Creek Bridge, \$25,000.

“ 3. No.

“ 4. Not applicable.”

58 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following question:—

With reference to snow removal on roads, highways, and bridges in the Atlin constituency: What was its total cost in 1969/70?

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

“ Total cost to February 1, 1970, \$36,484.30.”

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

Relative to roads in the Atlin constituency other than the Stewart–Watson Lake Highway:—

1. Were any roads repaired in 1969/70?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the roads and what was the total cost of repairs to each road?

3. Were any roads newly constructed in 1969/70?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of the roads and what was the total cost of construction of each road?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Surprise Lake Road No. 1, Atlin Highway No. 2, O'Donnell Creek Road No. 13, and Ruffner Mine Road, \$6,917.93; Stewart Arterial, \$38,668.86; Kitsault Road, \$5,562.21; Alice Arm area roads, \$10,650.87; Stewart area roads, \$43,041.46.

“ 3. No.

“ 4. Not applicable.”

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

Relative to bridges in the Atlin constituency other than those located on the Stewart–Watson Lake Highway:—

1. Were any bridges repaired in 1969/70?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what roads are they located, and what was the total cost of repairs to each bridge?

3. Were any bridges rebuilt or newly constructed in 1969/70?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what are the names of the bridges, upon what roads are they located, and what was the total cost of construction of each bridge?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. McKee Creek Bridge No. 126 on Road No. 13, Bear Creek Bridge No. 111 on Road No. 2, Upper Boulder Creek Bridge No. 1 on Road No. 15, and Base Camp Bridge No. 105 on Road No. 2.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. Pine Creek Bridge No. 122 on Road No. 13 and Surprise Lake Bridge No. 133 on Road No. 1, total cost of all bridges, \$46,121.23.”

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

With reference to the Burrage River–Ningunsaw River Highway construction contract, Project No. 1391, on the Stewart–Watson Lake Highway:—

1. In what year was this contract let, to whom, and what was the bid price?

2. In each year of highway construction since the contract was let, (a) how much money was allocated by the Provincial Government, (b) what highway construction was accomplished, (c) what was the cost of highway construction, (d) how many men were employed, and (e) what heavy highway-building machinery was used?

3. What highway construction remains to be done before this contract is completed?

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

“ 1. November 17, 1965: Ben Ginter Construction Company (1958) Limited, 1633 First Avenue, Prince George, British Columbia, \$3,978,553.50.

“ 2. Project No. 1391, Stewart–Cassiar Highway construction: Burrage River–Ningunsaw River Section, Station 2118+23 to Station 2162+46.3=Station 0+00; Station 0+00 to Station 480+00=Station 1284+63.4; Station 1284+63.4 to Station 272+00 (29.08 miles).

“ (a) 1965/66, \$50,000; 1966/67, \$1,000,000; 1967/68, \$1,600,000; 1968/69, \$1,200,000; and 1969/70, \$1,200,000.

“ (b) 1965/66, *nil*; 1966/67, 4.36 miles; 1967/68, 4.36 miles; 1968/69, 7.27 miles; and 1969/70, 4.59 miles.

“ (c) 1965/66, \$67,323.16; 1966/67, \$827,385.96; 1967/68, \$729,702.89; 1968/69, \$908,424.09; and 1969/70, \$708,675.40.

“ (d) 1965/66, total, 10; 1966/67, May, 35; June, 46; July, 51; August, 51; September, 50; October, 50. 1967/68, June, 44; July, 66; August, 57; September, 61; October, 11. 1968/69, May, 12; June, 56; July, 67; August, 67; September, 55; October, 36; November, 9. 1969/70, May, 62; June, 52; July, 63; August, 40; September, 27.

“ (e) 1965/66, move in February, 1966.

“ 1966/67, one 25B dragline, $\frac{3}{4}$ cubic yard; five 600-cubic-foot compressors; one 125-cubic-foot compressor; three P.R. 631 Caterpillar and Athey wagons, 15 cubic yards; one service truck; one D9G bulldozer; six D8H bulldozers; two D7E bulldozers; one D6B bulldozer; three TS-14 scrapers, 14 cubic yards; three Caterpillar 80 scrapers, 14 to 17 cubic yards; one 5-ton Chevrolet carryall; six 1-ton Chevrolet carryalls; one $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton Chevrolet carryall; one Caterpillar 14 grader; two rippers; one mechanical tamper; and 1 packer.

“ 1967/68, one 25B dragline, $\frac{3}{4}$ cubic yard; two 600-cubic-foot compressors; two airtracs; three P.R. 631 Athey wagons; one 3-ton service truck; one D6B bulldozer; one D7E bulldozer; five D8H bulldozers; one D9G bulldozer; three TS-14 scrapers, 14 cubic yards; four Caterpillar 80 scrapers, 14 to 17 cubic yards; one Caterpillar 14 grader; one 5-cubic-yard Caterpillar 988 loader; two rippers; and two mechanical tampers.

“ 1968/69, no change in equipment list for year.

“ 1969/70, one 25B dragline, $\frac{3}{4}$ cubic yard; two 600-c.f. compressors; one 900-cubic-foot compressor; three P.R. 631 Athey wagons; one 3-ton service truck;

two service trucks; two D9G bulldozers; seven D8H bulldozers; one D9G with ripper; four Caterpillar 80 scrapers; two D7E bulldozers; four 4-by-4 carryalls, 14 to 17 cubic yards; three light deliveries; three TS-14 scrapers, 14 cubic yards; two Caterpillar 14 graders; one Caterpillar 988 loader; one screening plant; and one mechanical tamper.

"3. 8.5 miles."

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

With reference to the South Bell-Irving River–North Bell-Irving River Highway construction contract, Project No. 1702, on the Stewart–Watson Lake Highway:—

1. In what year was this contract let, to whom, and what was the bid price?
2. In each year of highway construction since the contract was let, (a) how much money was allocated by the Provincial Government, (b) what highway construction was accomplished, (c) what was the cost of highway construction, (d) how many men were employed, and (e) what heavy highway-building machinery was used?
3. What highway construction remains to be done before this contract is completed?

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

"1. Project No. 1702, 1968: Peter Kiewit Sons Company of Canada Limited, 2412 Columbia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, \$2,673,160.

"2. Project No. 1702, Stewart–Cassiar Highway: Schedule A, construction, South Bell-Irving River Crossing to North Bell-Irving River Crossing Section, Station 458+22.2 to Station 1072+00 back=Station 190+01.6 ahead to Station 0+00 back=Station 0+00 ahead to Station 1331+40 (38.07 miles).

"Schedule B, clearing and grubbing, North Bell-Irving River Crossing to Ningunsaw River Section, Station 1336+25 to Station 1400+00 back=Station 0+00 ahead to Station 599+94.9 back=Station 0+00 ahead to Station 180+14.9 back=Station 10+00 ahead to 66+31.4=Station 58+00 ahead to Station 231+33.7 back=Station 76+00 ahead to Station 270+50 (23.85 miles).

"(a) 1968/69, \$1,500,000; 1969/70, \$1,250,000.

"(b) 1968/69, 18.27 miles; 1969/70, 10 miles.

"(c) 1968/69, \$1,485,565.13; 1969/70, \$823,222.19.

"(d) 1968/69, May, 109; June, 108; July, 120; August, 115; September, 70; October, 45. 1969/70, May, 70; June, 84; July, 108; August, 93; September, 76.

"(e) 1968/69, one 966B loader, 3 cubic yards; one 988 loader, 5 cubic yards; two 600 compressors; one 22B dragline; two airtracs; four Euclids, 35 ton; one hydralift; one flat deck; one semi-trailer; two service trucks; three mechanic service trucks; two D-9 Caterpillar bulldozers with rippers; one D-9 Caterpillar bulldozer; one D-8 Caterpillar bulldozer with ripper; three D-8 Caterpillar bulldozers with winch; one D-8 Caterpillar bulldozer; one D-6 Caterpillar bulldozer with winch; two D-9 Caterpillar pushers; one Minneapolis-Moline tractor; one John Deere tractor; five Caterpillar 631B scrapers; one Euclid TT.S14 scraper; two personnel buses; four 12E Caterpillar graders; one 12F Caterpillar grader; one 16 Caterpillar grader; one Ko Call screening plant; one grid packer; eight ½-ton pickups; and one ambulance.

"1969/70, one 966 loader, 3 cubic yards; two 988 loaders, 5 cubic yards; one 22B dragline; two compressors 900; one 125 compressor; four airtracs; six

Euclids, 30 ton; one flat deck; one semi-trailer; two service trucks; three mechanic service trucks; two D-9 bulldozers with rippers; six D-8 bulldozers; two D-6 bulldozers; one Minneapolis-Moline tractor; one John Deere tractor; three TT.S14 Euclid scrapers; two personnel buses; four Caterpillar graders; one 25 by 40 crusher; one Ko Call screening plant; one grid packer; eight ½-ton pickups; and one ambulance.

“ 3. Schedule A, 9.8 miles; Schedule B, 23.85 miles.”

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

With reference to the Bell-Irving Bridge, Project No. 515, on the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway:—

1. Is construction Contract No. 3 completed?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is no, what is the reason for the delay?
3. If the answer to No. 1 is no, when does the Department of Highways contemplate letting Contract No. 3?
4. What work, if any, will be involved in Contract No. 3?

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

“ 1. No, not called.

“ 2. Work at this time would conflict with access for construction purposes north of this crossing.

“ 3. Probably when other bridge contract work is scheduled as the cost would be much less if called in company with other bridge work in the area.

“ 4. (a) Construction of a concrete deck to replace the present temporary timber deck and (b) painting of structural steelwork.”

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

With reference to the Location Branch survey of the Sawmill Point-Cassiar Junction on the Stewart-Watson Lake Highway:—

1. When was the survey commenced?
2. What was the purpose of the survey?
3. How many miles were surveyed?
4. What was the total cost of the survey?
5. Is the survey completed?
6. Is it the intention of the Department to reconstruct this highway section in 1970?

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

“ 1. May, 1968.

“ 2. Engineering information required for upgrading in the future.

“ 3. 50.

“ 4. \$215,289.15.

“ 5. Yes.

“ 6. No.”

115 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Has a report been made on the state of the surface and roadbed of the first 18 miles of Highway No. 12 leading north from Lytton to Lillooet?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what were the findings of this report?

3. What plans are there to rebuild this section of Highway No. 12?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. The report indicated fair geometrics but some weak sections in the roadbed due to poor drainage.

“ 3. An estimate of cost has been prepared to strengthen the roadbed, pave, and ditch where required on the first 26.5 miles north of Lytton.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.44 p.m.

Thursday, February 19, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. Beaton*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion “ That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair ” for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

By leave of the House, the Hon. *W. D. Black* (Minister of Highways) presented Department of Highways Branch Reports and Statistical Data 1969/70.

2 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Did British Columbia Hydro issue any parity bonds in 1969?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the total amount issued and at what per cent interest?

3. Were any of these bonds purchased with funds administered by the Provincial Government?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what specific funds were used and in what amounts?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. \$50,505,000 at 6½ per cent per annum.

“ 3. Names of purchasers of Provincial Government bonds are not disclosed.

“ 4. Not applicable.”

3 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Did O'Brien Advertising Limited or O'Brien Consultants Limited render any services to British Columbia Hydro prior to the 1969 Provincial Election and, if so, what payments were made for these services?

2. Has O'Brien Advertising Limited or O'Brien Consultants Limited rendered any services to British Columbia Hydro since the 1969 Provincial Election and, if so, what are the amounts involved as payment for these services?

3. Are O'Brien Advertising Limited or O'Brien Consultants Limited presently in the process of rendering any services to British Columbia Hydro?

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

" 1. No.

" 2. No.

" 3. Yes."

4 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following question:—

What was the mill cost per kilowatt-hour of Peace River power delivered to the Lower Mainland as at December 31, 1969?

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

" The cost of Peace River power delivered to the integrated system, including the Lower Mainland, during the period April 1, 1969, to December 31, 1969, was 5 mills per kilowatt-hour."

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

With respect to the interest earned by Columbia River Treaty funds, what were the sources and the interest paid by each during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1969, and the nine months ended December 31, 1969?

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

" Interest earned by the Columbia River Treaty was as follows:—

	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1969	Nine Months Ended December 31, 1969
Income from investments—		
Province of Quebec	\$541,334
Other short-term investments	911,736	\$30,816
	<u>\$1,453,070</u>	<u>\$30,816</u>
Interest on late payment of Duncan flood-control benefits	\$212,541
Income from temporary advances to the Authority for general purposes	3,815,362	\$3,934,520
Interest charged to cost of constructing storage projects	10,265,661	6,085,466
Totals	<u>\$15,746,634</u>	<u>\$10,050,802 "</u>

6 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to Columbia River power development:—

1. What is the total amount expended to December 31, 1969?

2. Was this expenditure made direct from the moneys obtained from the United States of America under the Columbia River Treaty?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, was the expended money borrowed and, if so, where from and at what rate of interest?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is no, where was the expended money obtained?
5. What is the estimated expenditure for the year 1970?
6. What are the latest estimates as to the total capital cost of (a) Duncan storage, (b) Arrow storage, (c) Mica storage, (d) Mica at-site generation, and (e) general costs?

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

- “ 1. \$379,509,671 for treaty storage projects, including interest during construction and overhead costs.
- “ 2. Yes.
- “ 3 and 4. Not applicable.
- “ 5 and 6. Not finalized.”

7 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the payment of \$273,291,661 received October 1, 1964, under the Columbia River Treaty:—

1. Was any of this money expended to December 31, 1969?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the details of these expenditures to December 31, 1969?
3. Was any interest earned by all or part of the \$273,291,661 to December 31, 1969?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what is the total amount of interest earned?
5. What is the total amount unexpended, including any interest, to December 31, 1969?

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

- “ 1. Yes.
- “ 2. Duncan storage, \$31,503,996; Arrow storage, \$191,659,666; Mica storage, \$153,902,900; general development costs, \$2,443,109.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. \$81,196,465 (including interest on flood-control benefits and additional downstream power benefits received subsequent to September 16, 1964).
- “ 5. \$49,033,299 (including flood-control benefits and additional downstream power benefits received subsequent to September 16, 1964).”

24 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With reference to funds received under the Canada Pension Plan:—

1. What is the total amount received by British Columbia since the inception of the plan?
2. Has any amount been received since February 1, 1969?
3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, have these funds been invested and, if so, where and at what interest rates?

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

- “ 1. \$397,429,000.
- “ 2. Yes.

" 3. British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, 1969: February 3, 7.17 per cent, \$6,636,000; March 4, 7.11 per cent, \$10,980,000; April 1, 7.16 per cent, \$10,127,000; May 1, 7.19 per cent, \$10,886,000; July 2, 7.45 per cent, \$14,021,000; August 1, 7.46 per cent, \$11,699,000; September 2, 7.47 per cent, \$10,683,000.

" British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority: June 2, 1969, 7.26 per cent, \$4,264,000; October 1, 1969, 7.60 per cent, \$4,916,000; November 3, 1969, 7.94 per cent, \$5,367,000; December 8, 1969, 7.83 per cent, \$6,468,000; January 5, 1970, 8.17 per cent, \$6,391,000; February 2, 1970, 8.33 per cent, \$3,094,000.

" British Columbia Regional Hospital Districts Financing Authority: June 2, 1969, 7.26 per cent, \$5,000,000; October 1, 1969, 7.60 per cent, \$4,920,000; November 3, 1969, 7.94 per cent, \$3,000,000; February 2, 1970, 8.33 per cent, \$3,000,000."

26 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

In each school district in the Province which has rural components, what were the total sums collectable under the *Public Schools Act* in each rural component for the school budget year of 1969?

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

" Unorganized rural component of school districts and 1969 school requisitions: No. 1, Fernie, \$391,544; No. 2, Cranbrook, \$304,041; No. 3, Kimberley, \$426,756; No. 4, Windermere, \$319,203; No. 7, Nelson, \$700,010; No. 8, Slokan, \$235,175; No. 9, Castlegar, \$427,397; No. 10, Arrow Lakes, \$156,557; No. 11, Trail, \$709,822; No. 12, Grand Forks, \$213,021; No. 13, Kettle Valley, \$117,872; No. 14, Southern Okanagan, \$448,789; No. 15, Penticton, \$218,237; No. 16, Keremeos, \$103,828; No. 17, Princeton, \$127,659; No. 18, Golden, \$142,140; No. 19, Revelstoke, \$247,038; No. 21, Armstrong-Spallumcheen, \$8; No. 22, Vernon, \$474,071; No. 23, Kelowna, \$1,516,106; No. 24, Kamloops, \$2,608,591; No. 25, Barriere, \$160,988; No. 26, Birch Island, \$384,009; No. 27, Williams Lake, \$1,197,509; No. 28, Quesnel, \$917,292; No. 29, Lillooet, \$821,420; No. 30, South Cariboo, \$440,774; No. 31, Merritt, \$370,993; No. 32, Fraser Canyon, \$447,653; No. 33, Chilliwack, \$208,758; No. 34, Abbotsford, \$13,189; No. 36, Surrey, \$9,800; No. 42, Maple Ridge, \$27,510; No. 43, Coquitlam, \$1,815,463; No. 44, North Vancouver, \$9,403; No. 45, West Vancouver, \$68,668; No. 46, Sechelt, \$1,524,851; No. 47, Powell River, \$495,013; No. 48, Howe Sound, \$770,162; No. 49, Ocean Falls, \$625,980; No. 50, Queen Charlotte, \$436,901; No. 52, Prince Rupert, \$236,120; No. 54, Smithers, \$156,882; No. 55, Burns Lake, \$365,642; No. 56, Vanderhoof, \$757,528; No. 57, Prince George, \$4,058,-647; No. 58, McBride, \$267,843; No. 59, Peace River South, \$939,756; No. 60, Peace River North, \$1,862,586; No. 61, Greater Victoria, \$214,547; No. 62, Sooke, \$1,300,071; No. 63, Saanich, \$44,411; No. 64, Gulf Islands, \$564,063; No. 65, Cowichan, \$733,575; No. 66, Lake Cowichan, \$1,040,026; No. 67, Ladysmith, \$271,924; No. 68, Nanaimo, \$3,433,754; No. 69, Qualicum, \$526,138; No. 70, Alberni, \$871,984; No. 71, Courtenay, \$1,259,335; No. 72, Campbell River, \$1,003,121; No. 75, Mission, \$172,129; No. 76, Agassiz, \$90,730; No. 77, Summerland, \$18,663; No. 79, Ucluelet-Tofino, \$135,552; No. 80, Kitimat, \$63,084; No. 81, Fort Nelson, \$495,173; No. 82, Chilcotin, \$29,748; No. 83, Portage Mountain, \$38,791; No. 84, Vancouver Island West, \$223,998; No. 85,

Vancouver Island North, \$433,797; No. 86, Creston-Kaslo, \$480,893; No. 87, Stikine, \$189,396; No. 88, Skeena-Cassiar, \$587,347; No. 89, Shuswap, \$639,018.

“Unattached: Bamfield, \$11,794; Belmont Park, \$79; Comox Airport, \$344; University Hill, \$343,492.”

28 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Has there been any shortage of electric power in the East Kootenay?
2. If so, what provision is being made to overcome the shortage?

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

“1. Restrictions have been placed on the power available for new industrial customers, based on the limitation of the supply from small local generating plants in the area and from the Calgary power system.

“2. (a) Supply from Calgary power system was significantly increased in 1968 by construction of a substation at Natal, (b) a 230-kv. transmission connection, currently under construction, will provide a further major supply to this area, and (c) power from British Columbia Hydro will be carried through the Bonneville Power Authority system and delivered to this transmission connection at Nelway.”

29 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Has British Columbia Hydro been approached by Kaiser Resources to build a steam or thermal plant in the East Kootenay?
2. If so, (a) was any consideration given to building such a plant and (b) what was the result of such consideration?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. (a) Yes and (b) no decisions have been made to date.”

35 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the Peace River power project:—

1. What is the total amount spent to date on this project?
2. What is the total amount spent to date on the Portage Mountain Dam?
3. What is the total amount spent to date on transmission-lines?
4. What is the latest estimated cost of the first stage of this project?
5. What is the latest estimated cost of the whole project?

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

“1. To December 31, 1969, \$559,149,602.

“2. To December 31, 1969, \$108,076,302.

“3. To December 31, 1969, \$133,778,644.

“4 and 5. Not finalized.”

38 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

1. Were any printed copies of the Budget Speech for 1969 distributed to other than elected members?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) how many were so distributed and (b) what was the total cost to the Government of the copies so distributed?

3. Did any source, other than the Government, pay for the printing and (or) distribution of the copies referred to in No. 2?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) who were the organizations and (or) persons concerned and (b) what was the total cost to them of printing and (or) distribution?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) 70,000 and (b) \$28,560, including all distribution costs.

“ 3. No.

“ 4. Not applicable.”

52 Mr. *R. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

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

1. Was a net profit made on the sale of gas during the last reported financial year?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the amount of that profit?

3. Was a net loss made on the sale of gas during the last reported financial year?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the amount of the loss?

5. What was the total cost of gas purchased during the last reported financial year?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. \$8,006,348.

“ 3. No.

“ 4. Not applicable.

“ 5. \$21,959,450.”

53 Mr. *R. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority urban transportation:—

1. What was the total expenditure for the year ended March 31, 1969?

2. What was the total revenue and total expenditure from March 31, 1969, to the latest available date?

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

“ 1. Operating expenses, \$18,713,460; and plant expenditures, \$1,536,742.

“ 2. From April 1, 1969, to December 31, 1969: Revenues, \$13,051,586 (includes \$1,500,000 grant from Government of British Columbia); operating, \$14,965,187; plant expenditures, \$1,168,144.”

70 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With reference to the home-acquisition grant:—

1. What is the total number of grants made under the Act since February 20, 1969?

2. How many of these grants were for \$1,000?

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

“ 1. 6,569.

“ 2. If referring to section 3A concerning new home grant, 5,261; and if referring to grant of full \$1,000, 2,972.”

116 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Were any moneys paid out of the Physical Fitness and Amateur Sports Fund during 1969?

2. If so, (a) to whom were they paid and (b) how much was paid in each case?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. The reply should be in the form of a Return and the Hon. the Minister of Finance has no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and hereupon presents such Return.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Friday, February 20, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Father *M. Power*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion “ That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair ” for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—35

Messieurs

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

NAYS—14

Messieurs

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

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Clark</i>
<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Gardom</i>

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

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

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

Mr. *McGeer* moved, seconded by Mr. *L. A. Williams*,—

That a Special Committee of the House be formed to consider all matters relating to the capital financing and rate structure of British Columbia Hydro. The Committee will make recommendations regarding what financial measures are appropriate and what changes in the *British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*, are necessary to give effect to the financial recommendations.

A debate arose.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

10 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With reference to the films “The Good Life” and “British Columbia’s Natural Heritage” :—

1. What was the total cost to the Government for each of these films?
2. What was the name of the film maker or makers and how much did they receive for each film?

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

“1. The total cost to the Government of the films ‘The Good Life’ and ‘British Columbia’s Natural Heritage’ was \$50,000 and \$19,500 respectively.

“2. Lou Perry Film Productions Limited, ‘The Good Life,’ \$50,000; ‘British Columbia’s Natural Heritage,’ \$19,500.”

21 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What were the detailed investments of the following Funds as at January 26, 1970: (a) The Municipal Civil Servants’ Superannuation Fund, (b) the Civil Servants’ Superannuation Fund, (c) the Provincial Home-acquisition Fund, (d) the Queensborough Bridge Account, (e) the Burrard Inlet (Third Crossing) Fund, (f) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Superannuation Fund,

(g) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Employees' Superannuation Fund, (h) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Sinking Fund, (i) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Sinking Fund, (j) the British Columbia Ferry Authority Sinking Fund, (k) the Teachers' Pensions Fund, (l) the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sinking Fund, (m) the Centennial Cultural Fund, (n) the Workmen's Compensation Fund, and (o) the British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority Sinking Fund?

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

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

1. Were any bond issues authorized by the Government in 1969 for school construction and, if so, in what total amount?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total amount of those bonds floated, (b) when were they issued, (c) what was the amount of each issue, and (d) what was the interest rate of each issue?

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

" 1. Yes, \$35,050,000.

" 2. (a), (b), (c), and (d):

Date Issued	Interest Rate (Per Cent)	Amount
January 2, 1969.....	6.92	\$4,035,000
June 2, 1969.....	7.26	4,264,000
July 15, 1969.....	7.45	10,000,000
October 1, 1969.....	7.60	4,916,000
November 3, 1969.....	7.94	5,367,000
December 8, 1969.....	7.83	6,468,000
Total.....		<u>\$35,050,000 "</u>

27 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What were the detailed investments of the following Funds as of December 31, 1969: (a) The Municipal Civil Servants' Superannuation Fund, (b) the Civil Servants' Superannuation Fund, (c) the Provincial Home-acquisition Fund, (d) the Queensborough Bridge Account, (e) the Burrard Inlet (Third Crossing) Fund, (f) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Superannuation Fund, (g) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Employees' Superannuation Fund, (h) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Sinking Fund, (i) the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Sinking Fund, (j) the British Columbia Ferry Authority Sinking Fund, (k) the Teachers' Pensions Fund, (l) the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sinking Fund, (m) the Centennial Cultural Fund, (n) the Workmen's Compensation Fund, and (o) the British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority Sinking Fund?

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

36 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Did British Columbia Hydro Chairman Dr. Shrum meet with a delegation from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities on or about January 21, 1970?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, did Dr. Shrum give the delegation certain information which has not been made public relating to a proposed increase in power rates?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is yes, what are the details of the information given?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Yes.

“ 3. *British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Preliminary Statement of Net Income*

	For Month of December, 1969	For Nine Months Ended December 31, 1969
Gross revenue	\$22,824,668	\$171,580,796
Operating expenses	13,588,665	116,866,200
Operating income	\$9,236,003	\$54,714,596
Interest on debt, less interest charged to construction	7,255,884	61,422,999
Net income	\$1,980,119	\$6,708,403
Comparative figures of net income—		
Budget for current period	\$1,972,482	\$8,479,986
Actual for the corresponding period in the previous year	\$2,697,574	\$3,067,498

“ NOTE.—Italic figures denote loss.”

37 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

With reference to British Columbia Hydro Employees' Pension and Insurance Funds:—

1. Are any of these funds, contributed by employees, invested and, if so, where, and at what rate of interest?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is in the affirmative, is all of the interest received on investment credited to the employees' funds?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is no, what portion of the interest is so credited and what is the disposal of the balance?

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

“ 1. Yes. British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Pension Fund is invested in Province of British Columbia guaranteed bond issues at from 5 to 8 per cent. British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority employee contributions to insurance schemes are paid to the respective insurance companies and the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority has no control over or knowledge of how the moneys are invested by the insurance companies.

“ 2. Yes. Interest earned in the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Pension Fund is credited to several accounts which are all for the benefit of employees at retirement.

“ 3. Not applicable.”

54 Mr. *R. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the revenue from, and expenditure on, British Columbia Hydro transit services in Vancouver and Victoria:—

1. What was the revenue in each city for 1966/67, 1967/68, and 1968/69?
2. What was the expenditure in each city for 1966/67, 1967/68, and 1968/69?
3. Did British Columbia Hydro pay any subsidy from their general revenue for these transit operations in 1966/67, 1967/68, or 1968/69?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the amount for each city in each year?

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

“ 1. Revenues—

	1966/67	1967/68	1968/69
Greater Vancouver	\$12,780,276	\$13,160,988	\$13,405,657
Greater Victoria	1,728,548	1,767,408	1,729,919
Grant from Government of British Columbia			1,000,000
	<u>\$14,508,824</u>	<u>\$14,928,396</u>	<u>\$16,135,576</u>

“ 2. Operating expenses—

Greater Vancouver	\$14,459,169	\$14,806,809	\$16,374,413
Greater Victoria	2,271,864	2,326,140	2,339,047
	<u>\$16,731,033</u>	<u>\$17,132,949</u>	<u>\$18,713,460</u>

“ 3. Transit operations in each city produced net losses in each of these years.

“ 4. Net losses—

Greater Vancouver	\$1,678,893	\$1,645,821	\$2,968,756
Greater Victoria	543,316	558,732	609,128
Less grant from Government of British Columbia			1,000,000
	<u>\$2,222,209</u>	<u>\$2,204,553</u>	<u>\$2,577,884</u> ”

55 Mr. *R. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:—

With reference to the railway service of British Columbia Hydro:—

1. What was the revenue received from these services in each year from 1960 to date?
2. What was the expenditure on these services in each year from 1960 to date?
3. What was the net surplus or deficit from these services in each year from 1960 to date?

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

“ 1, 2, and 3:

	Revenues	Operating Expenses	Net Income
April 1, 1960, to March 31, 1961.....	\$4,858,458	\$4,377,791	\$480,667
April 1, 1961, to March 29, 1962.....	4,957,022	4,066,263	890,759
March 30, 1962, to March 31, 1963.....	5,325,286	4,031,002	1,294,284
April 1, 1963, to March 31, 1964.....	5,616,592	4,184,177	1,432,415
April 1, 1964, to March 31, 1965.....	5,868,406	4,525,937	1,342,469
April 1, 1965, to March 31, 1966.....	6,158,016	4,731,036	1,426,980
April 1, 1966, to March 31, 1967.....	6,420,825	5,034,605	1,386,220
April 1, 1967, to March 31, 1968.....	6,992,305	5,471,038	1,521,267
April 1, 1968, to March 31, 1969.....	7,462,538	5,751,283	1,711,255
April 1, 1969, to December 31, 1969.....	6,331,184	4,786,585	1,544,599”

71 Mr. *Hall* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With reference to the agreement made between the Government of Canada and the Provinces relating to (a) the transfer of corporate and individual income-tax revenue from the Government of Canada to the Province and (b) the Federal undertaking to make adjustment payments to the Province:—

1. How much money was raised by the Provincial Government as a result of the transfer of tax revenue in the fiscal year 1969/70 (to date)?

2. How much money is it estimated will be raised in the fiscal year 1970/71 as a result of the transfer?

3. How much money did the Federal Government pay to the Province for post-secondary education as a result of its undertaking to make adjustment payments in the fiscal year 1969/70 (to date)?

4. How much money is it estimated will be paid by the Federal Government to the Province as a result of its undertaking to make adjustment payments in the fiscal year 1970/71?

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

“ 1. \$31,904,917 to February 19, 1970, under the Post-Secondary Education Agreement.

“ 2. Not finalized.

“ 3. \$12,222,618 to February 18, 1970.

“ 4. Not available.”

112 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What were the detailed investments of the following Funds reported on page U 15 of the Interim Financial Statements, 1969, as of February 1, 1970: (a) The First Citizens' Fund, (b) the Provincial Major Disaster Fund, (c) the Agricultural Aid to Developing Countries and World Disaster Areas Fund, (d) the Physical Fitness and Amateur Sports Fund, and (e) the British Columbia Government Building Fund?

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

113 Mr. *McGeer* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What were the detailed investments of the Canada Pension Plan money as of February 1, 1970?

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

“ Investments of the Canada Pension Plan money were as follows:—

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:

Date	Maturity	Rate	Amount
March 1, 1967	February 1, 1987	5.46	\$80,396,000
May 1, 1968	February 1, 1988	5.71	95,001,000
May 1, 1969	February 3, 1989	6.68	65,862,000
March 4, 1969	March 4, 1989	7.11	10,980,000
April 1, 1969	April 1, 1989	7.16	10,127,000
May 1, 1969	May 1, 1989	7.19	10,886,000
July 2, 1969	July 2, 1989	7.45	14,021,000
August 1, 1969	August 1, 1989	7.46	11,699,000
September 2, 1969	September 2, 1989	7.47	10,683,000

Date	Maturity	Rate	Amount
British Columbia School Districts Capital Financing Authority:			
May 1, 1968	May 1, 1988	6.61	\$5,000,000
August 5, 1968	August 5, 1988	6.66	5,271,000
October 1, 1968	October 1, 1988	6.40	10,112,000
January 2, 1969	January 2, 1989	6.92	4,035,000
June 2, 1969	June 2, 1989	7.26	4,264,000
October 1, 1969	October 1, 1989	7.60	4,916,000
November 3, 1969	November 3, 1989	7.94	5,367,000
December 8, 1969	December 8, 1989	7.83	6,468,000
January 5, 1970	January 5, 1990	8.17	6,391,000
February 2, 1970	February 2, 1990	8.33	3,094,000
British Columbia Regional Hospital Districts Financing Authority:			
August 5, 1968	August 5, 1988	6.66	\$5,000,000
November 4, 1968	November 4, 1988	6.62	7,936,000
January 2, 1969	January 2, 1989	6.92	4,000,000
June 2, 1969	June 2, 1989	7.26	5,000,000
October 1, 1969	October 1, 1989	7.60	4,920,000
November 3, 1969	November 3, 1989	7.94	3,000,000
February 2, 1970	February 2, 1990	8.33	3,000,000 "

127 Mr. *R. A. Williams* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following question:—

With respect to Tree-farm Licence No. 1: (a) What total figure for road cost has been entered on the road ledger since the inception of the licence, (b) what is the latest credit figure available, and (c) what date is the latest credit figure for?

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

“(a) \$12,066,503 (includes rail spurs and Nass River development), (b) \$4,287,570, and (c) December 31, 1969.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

Monday, February 23, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *P. V. Atkinson*.

On the motion of the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today:—

Bill (No. 17) intituled *An Act to Amend the Land Registry Act*.

Bill (No. 16) intituled *An Act to Amend the Consumer Protection Act*.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Order "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion No. 3.

During the debate, by leave of the House, the Hon. *R. G. Williston* tabled two copies of a letter dated January 8, 1970, from Dr. G. M. Shrum, Chairman, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, to the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*.

The debate continued.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Monday, February 23, 1970

FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX 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 "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion No. 3.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—17

Messieurs

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

NAYS—35

Messieurs

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

The Hon. *C. M. Shelford* (Minister of Agriculture) presented British Columbia Department of Agriculture Sixty-fourth Annual Report.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.35 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. B. Illsey*.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
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,
February 23, 1970.

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. 18) 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 today.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:—

YEAS—54

Messieurs

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

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *An Act Respecting the Purchase of Unissued Shares of the Capital Stock of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:—

YEAS—53

Messieurs

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

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:—

YEAS—53

Messieurs

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

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

14 Mr. *Brousson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Has the Government of British Columbia received any moneys since 1942 as compensation for flooding of the Skagit Valley in British Columbia by the construction of Ross Dam in the State of Washington?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, how much was received in each year since 1942?

3. Who provided the money?

4. What has been the disposition of the funds thus received?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. 1942 to 1951, *nil*; 1952, \$2,503.50 (Canadian); 1953 to 1966, \$5,000 (Canadian) each year; 1967, \$33,456.62 (U.S.); 1968, \$34,566.21 (U.S.); 1969, \$34,566.21 (U.S.); and 1970, \$34,566.21 (U.S.).

“ 3. The City of Seattle.

“ 4. Credited to Consolidated Revenue Fund.”

15 Mrs. *Dailly* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—
With reference to the Provincial Alliance of Businessmen, from its inception to date:—

1. Who are the members of the Alliance?
2. What are the names, functions, and salaries paid to all persons employed?
3. What are the full details of revenue and expenditure?
4. How many persons have been placed in permanent employment by the Alliance?
5. How many persons have been placed in temporary employment by the Alliance?
6. What was the breakdown by age-group and sex of persons placed in employment?
7. Were any persons placed in employment in Government services or Crown agencies?
8. If the answer to No. 7 is yes, (a) how many persons were placed and in what department or agencies and (b) how many placements were temporary and how many permanent?
9. Were any persons placed in employment who were at the time of placement recipients of social assistance?
10. If the answer to No. 9 is yes, (a) how many persons were placed by age-group and sex, (b) how many of the placements were permanent and how many temporary, and (c) how many of those placed were heads of families?
11. What is the location and address of each Alliance office in British Columbia?

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

“These questions should be directed to the Hon. the Minister of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement.”

82 Mr. *Calder* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—
With reference to the mineral exploration and mine production in north-west British Columbia:—

1. Were any mining companies engaged in mineral explorations in the Atlin constituency in 1969/70?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what are the names of the mining companies, (b) what are the identifications of Provincial taxes which each company must pay for mineral exploration work, and (c) what was the total amount of each tax paid by each mining company?
3. Were any mining companies engaged in mining operations and production in the Atlin constituency in 1969/70?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, (a) what are the names of the mining companies, (b) what are the identifications of Provincial taxes which each company must pay for mining operation and production, and (c) what was the total amount of each tax paid by each mining company?

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

“1 and 3. These questions should be directed to the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources.

“2 and 4. Mining companies have not yet reported their results for the 1969/70 fiscal period under the *Mining Tax Act*.”

83 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Do any companies in British Columbia receive exemptions on school taxation by reason of pollution-control installations which existed prior to the exemptions being granted?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what are the names of the corporations, (b) what is the value of their 1970 assessment reductions, and (c) what is the name of each relevant school district?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Complete information not available to me as municipal assessment rolls involved.”

110 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Has a study been made with regard to the possibility of building an aerial ferry to cross the Fraser River near Lytton?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, have preliminary drawings and plans been made with regard to implementing this report?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. The preliminary drawings are now being prepared.”

118 Mrs. *Daily* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

With reference to the Provincial Alliance of Businessmen for the fiscal year 1969/70:—

1. Has any advertising or public-relations work been placed for the Alliance through Western Market Surveys?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what is the full detail of services supplied and payments made?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is no, have payments been made to Western Market Surveys for any other type of services to the Alliance?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what services were supplied and what payments were made?

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

“ These questions should be directed to the Hon. the Minister of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement.”

119 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

How much revenue from the production of copper concentrates accrued to the Province under the *Mining Tax Act*?

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

“ The mining tax is a tax based on the profit from the production of a mine and the revenue of a particular mine is not broken down as between the several mineral ores produced.”

120 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

How much revenue from the production of iron concentrates accrued to the Province under the *Mining Tax Act*?

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

“See answer to Question No. 119.”

121 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

1. How many tons of copper concentrates were produced in British Columbia in 1967, 1968, and 1969?

2. What was (a) the total estimated value of these copper concentrates for each of the above years and (b) the royalty return to the Province from the copper concentrates for each of the above years?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“1. 1967, 294,687 tons; 1968, 276,818 tons; and 1969, 313,587 tons (estimated).

“2. (a) 1967, \$87,278,845; 1968, \$86,630,821; and 1969, \$113,010,000 (estimated); and (b) 1967, 1968, and 1969, none.”

122 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

1. How many tons of iron concentrates were produced in British Columbia in 1967, 1968, and 1969?

2. What was (a) the total estimated value of these iron concentrates for each of the above years and (b) the royalty return to the Province from iron concentrates for each of the above years?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“1. 1967, 2,154,443 tons; 1968, 2,094,745 tons; and 1969, 2,016,507 tons (estimated).

“2. (a) 1967, \$20,820,765; 1968, \$21,437,569; and 1969, \$20,000,000 (estimated); and (b) 1967, \$138,172; 1968, \$144,229; and 1969, \$205,279 (estimated).”

124 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

With reference to payments under section 2 of the *Iron Bounty Act*:—

1. Have any payments been made under this section to Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company since October 30, 1968?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the amounts and dates of payment to date?

The Hon. *F. X. Richter* replied as follows:—

“1. No, but following payments have been made to Cominco Limited.

“2. June 11, 1969, \$30,019.50; July 18, 1969, \$26,519.40; August 15, 1969, \$26,648.70; September 18, 1969, \$26,378.70; and October 17, 1969, \$16,433.70; total, \$126,000.”

128 Mr. *Wolfe* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

In connection with the Provincial Home-acquisition Grant Fund, between April 1, 1967, and December 31, 1969:—

1. How many homes were purchased with acquisition grant assistance?
2. How much grant money was disbursed from the fund?
3. How many homes were purchased with second mortgage assistance?
4. How much mortgage money was advanced to home buyers?
5. What was the balance outstanding on the advances for second mortgages at December 31, 1969?
6. Of these mortgages outstanding at December 31, 1969, what percentage had delinquent payments?
7. What was the balance in the Home-acquisition Grant Fund at December 31, 1969?

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

- “ 1. 46,860.
- “ 2. \$21,674,660.08.
- “ 3. 3,013 loans approved (committed), including 1,582 paid.
- “ 4. \$14,661,258 approved (committed), including \$7,703,155 paid.
- “ 5. \$7,680,158.51.
- “ 6. 0.2 per cent (3 out of 1,582).
- “ 7. \$35,130,706.78, not including investments in mortgages.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24, 1970

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *Corrections Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 24, 1970.

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. 19) intituled *Corrections 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 today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1971.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,996,826 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Administration, to 31st March, 1971.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.13 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. Knebel*.

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

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Amend the Contributory Negligence Act*.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *An Act Respecting the Purchase of Unissued Shares of the Capital Stock of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 8) intituled *An Act to Amend the Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954*.

Bill (No. 9) intituled *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Act, 1964*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$496,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Production Services, to 31st March, 1971.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$246,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Special Services, to 31st March, 1971.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1971.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, to 31st March, 1971.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$88,486 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Milk Board, to 31st March, 1971.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farms, to 31st March, 1971.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$198,834 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Crop Insurance, to 31st March, 1971.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Land-clearing and Domestic Water Assistance, to 31st March, 1971.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Pest Control, to 31st March, 1971.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, *Pound District Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, *Grasshopper-control Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, *Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, *Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

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

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

By leave of the House, the Hon. *C. M. Shelford* (Minister of Agriculture) presented the report of Inter-Agency Committee on Environmental Study Arising Out of a Debilitating Disease in Young Horses, Trail Area, 1969.

The Hon. *W. K. Kiernan* (Minister of Recreation and Conservation) presented the Annual Report of the Department of Recreation and Conservation for the year ended December 31, 1969.

109 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Has a study been made of the traffic patterns and traffic tie-ups and accidents at the junction of Popkum Road and the Trans-Canada Highway?

2. Is consideration being given to the installation of a flashing amber light for this junction?

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

“ 1. Some study at intersection was made in 1968. Sight distance was improved by cutting back bank and intersection warning signs were erected.

“ 2. Consideration was given in June, 1968, to installation of a flashing beacon, but it was not found to be warranted. No further consideration has been given to installation of such a device since that time; however, the 1969 accident history will be checked.”

132 Mr. *Nimsick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following questions:—

1. Were any logs in the raw state exported from British Columbia during the year 1969?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) to what countries, (b) how many board-feet to each country, (c) how many cubic feet to each country, and (d) what was the value of these raw logs?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) United States and Japan; (b) United States, 68,534,679 board-feet and Japan, 87,034,872 board-feet; (c) United States, 13,800 cubic feet; and (d) not available.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25, 1970

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Landlord and Tenant Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25, 1970.

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. 20) intituled *An Act to Amend the Landlord and Tenant 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 today.

On the motion of Mr. *Hartley*, Bill (No. 21) intituled *An Act to Amend the Taxation Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.05 p.m.

Thursday, February 26, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Bishop *D. A. G. Rankilor*.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 15) intituled *Jury Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 26, 1970.

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 7, line 2: By adding, after the words "Prince Rupert," the following "or the County of Yale or the County of Kootenay,".

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. 15) intituled *Jury 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. 15).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, Bill (No. 24) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trust Companies Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Cocke*, Bill (No. 25) intituled *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, Motion No. 12 on the Order Paper was called.

Moved by the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, seconded by the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Forestry and Fisheries to receive and study the following reports from the Forest Service:—

(1) Slash-burning in the Interior:

(2) Damage to forest values by mining development:

(3) Application of the 30- to 50-per-cent contractor clauses in tree-farm licences.

Also to consider and report to the House on the total management responsibilities of the quota holders within any sustained-yield unit which is being cut to the maximum allowable harvest under close utilization standards.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

At the hour of 6.05 o'clock p.m. the Chairman left the chair.

Thursday, February 26, 1970

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,292 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1971.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,370 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1971.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$232,484 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Administration, to 31st March, 1971.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$538,784 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$547,222 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Data Processing Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,126,462 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Consumer Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$465,168 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Real Property Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$292,739 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Income Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1971.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$247,670 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, *Assessment Equalization Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$436,910 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, to 31st March, 1971.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Langford Warehouse, to 31st March, 1971.

Without the Committee rising, the Committee reported that upon consideration of Vote 76 the Chairman ruled that discussion of the Home-owner Grant was out of order in that it was not strictly relevant to the item under consideration.

The Chairman's ruling was appealed to the House.

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

YEAS—37

Messieurs

<i>Merilees</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Jordan, Mrs.</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Dawson, Mrs.</i>	<i>McDiarmid</i>
<i>Hall</i>	<i>Dailly, Mrs.</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Capozzi</i>
<i>Williams, R. A.</i>	<i>Vogel</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Skillings</i>
<i>Calder</i>	<i>LeCours</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Wenman</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Campbell, D. R. J.</i>
<i>Kripps, Mrs.</i>	<i>Jefcoat</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Brothers</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Shelford</i>
<i>Price</i>	<i>McCarthy, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell, B.</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Macdonald</i>			

NAYS—9

Messieurs

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>
<i>Ney</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Little</i>
<i>Gardom</i>			

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Marshall</i>	<i>Clark</i>
<i>Gaglardi</i>	<i>Brousson</i>
<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Cocke</i>

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$66,244 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Home-owner Assistance, to 31st March, 1971.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,141,096 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agencies, Etc., to 31st March, 1971.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Courts of Revision, to 31st March, 1971.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Assessment Appeal Board, to 31st March, 1971.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Estimates, Bonds, Revenue Receipts, Licences, Etc., to 31st March, 1971.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$180,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1971.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1971.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, *Civil Service Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, *Members of Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, *Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905*, to 31st March, 1971.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Trust Deposits, to 31st March, 1971.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Salary Contingencies and Adjustments (All Departments), to 31st March, 1971.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Expense Contingencies (All Departments), to 31st March, 1971.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Motor-vehicles and Accessories (All Departments), to 31st March, 1971.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Power Subsidy, to 31st March, 1971.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Metropolitan Transit Subsidy, to 31st March, 1971.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,556 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, *Nancy Sloan Act*, to 31st March, 1971.

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

By leave of the House, Mr. *Dowding* tabled correspondence and notes on the Columbia Board of Review.

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

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

With reference to the Provincial Government 1969 investigation of the proposed Alice Arm-Kitsault Road construction in the Atlin constituency:—

1. What are the results of the investigation?
2. Is it the intention of the Government to consider the advisability of constructing this harbour road?

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

“ 1. Approximately 3.1 miles of road would be required along with a major crossing of the Kitsault River and a minor bridge over the Illiance River. Detailed surveys have not yet been completed.

“ 2. Yes.”

114 Mr. *Hartley* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:—

1. Has an engineering study been made of the first 14 miles of Highway No. 8 leading west from Merritt with regard to traffic patterns, the structure of the road, and the roadbed?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, are there plans for (a) rebuilding this section of Highway No. 8 and (b) repairing or resurfacing of this section of Highway No. 8?

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

“ 1. No.

“ 2. Not applicable.”

And then the House adjourned at 11.40 p.m.

Friday, February 27, 1970

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *A. W. R. Ashley*.

The Hon. *W. M. Skillings* (Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce) presented the Report of the Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce for the year ended December 31, 1969.

On the motion of the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, Bill (No. 22) intituled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,538 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1971.

The Committee reported the Resolution.
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. on Monday next.

The Hon. *L. R. Peterson* (Minister of Labour) presented the Fifty-third Annual Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 1969.

9 Mr. *Barrett* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Did any department of the Government, Minister without Portfolio, or Crown agency place any advertising by newspaper, radio, television, or in any other form for publication between July 1, 1969, and August 31, 1969?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what was the total cost to each department or agency, (b) what was the name of each company or individual supplying the service, and (c) what amount was paid in each case for this service?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. He could answer for the Department of Finance, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, and the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, but information concerning other departments should be directed to the Ministers concerned.

“ Department of Finance: (a) \$3,950.31, (b) James Lovick Limited, and (c) \$3,950.31.

“ British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority: (a) \$66,568.14; (b) and (c) Cockfield Brown & Company Limited, \$62,966.62; Trans-Ad Division, Warnock Hersey International Limited, \$196.18; Pacific Press Limited, \$467.60; James Lovick Limited, \$1,664.34; Langley Advance, \$8.40; and Foster, Young, Ross, Anthony & Associates Limited, \$1,365.

“ Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company: (a) \$4,010.09; (b) and (c) James Lovick Limited, \$3,623.59; Pacific Press Limited, \$375.70; and Journal of Commerce, \$10.80.”

131 Mr. *Strachan* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

With reference to the funds received under the Canada Pension Plan prior to February 1, 1969: How have these funds been invested, where, when, and at what interest rates?

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

“ See answer to Question No. 113.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.