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**Thursday, January 21, 1965**

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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the second meeting of the Twenty-seventh Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of Major-General the Honourable GEORGE RANDOLPH PEARKES, V.C., P.C., C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 14th day of October, 1964, the members took their seats.

Prayers by the Rev. A. C. Hamill.

Major-General the Honourable GEORGE RANDOLPH PEARKES, V.C., P.C., C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

*Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:*

I bid you welcome to the Second Session of the Twenty-seventh Parliament of British Columbia. Your deliberations will have a profound and lasting effect on the welfare of our people, and I am confident that you will carry out your high responsibilities carefully and with wisdom.

The past year has been one of the most significant in the history of British Columbia, and our Province was pleased, once more, to receive many distinguished visitors.

In September we were honoured to welcome the President of the United States, the Honourable Lyndon B. Johnson, and the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Lester B. Pearson, on the occasion of the formal ratification of the Columbia River Treaty. President Johnson's visit to British Columbia was the first by a Chief Executive of the United States in 27 years, and it will be long and warmly remembered by our people.

Other distinguished visitors included Sir Henry Lintott, on his initial visit after taking up his duties as British High Commissioner to Canada; Mr. Christopher Mayhew, M.P., British Minister of Defence for the Royal Navy; His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, from the Commonwealth Relations Office; and His Excellency W. Walton Butterworth, the Ambassador of the United States of America. We also welcomed His Excellency Carlo de Ferrariis Salzano, Ambassador of Italy; His Excellency Rangvald Bagge, Ambassador of Sweden; His Excellency Franz Helmut Leitner, Ambassador of Austria; His Excellency Nobukiko Ushiba and His Excellency Hisanaga Shimazu, Ambassadors of Japan; the Ambassador of

Poland, His Excellency Zygfryd Walniak; His Excellency Kurt Oppler, the German Ambassador; and the High Commissioner for Trinidad and Tobago, His Excellency Wilfred Alexander Rose.

From time to time in the life of nations there emerges in moments of crisis a great leader who by virtue of his intelligence and strength of character is able to mobilize all the physical and spiritual resources of that nation and to bring it safely through. Such a man is the Right Honourable Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, K.G., P.C., O.M., whose grave illness now causes universal concern. A great parliamentarian, he served without stint his Sovereign, his nation, and his world. We today are the beneficiaries of his tenacity of purpose.

The people of our Province suffered a grievous loss in the death of the Honourable Sherwood Lett, former Chief Justice of British Columbia. His faithful services to the Province will long be remembered.

Shortly after you last met, I was pleased to administer the oath of office to three new Ministers of the Crown. The Honourable Donald Leslie Brothers was sworn in as Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources; the Honourable Ralph Raymond Loffmark as Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce; and the Honourable Daniel Robert John Campbell as Minister of Municipal Affairs. The Honourable Robert William Bonner, Q.C., assumed the portfolio of Minister of Commercial Transport in addition to his duties as Attorney-General.

His Honour Charles William Morrow, appointed a sole Commissioner under the *Public Inquiries Act* to inquire into the price structure of gasoline, is continuing to carry out this commission.

The Honourable John Valentine Clyne has submitted his report on the revision of the Expropriation Statutes. This report will be laid before you.

John Villiers Fisher retired as Agent-General at British Columbia House, London, and has been succeeded by Earle Cathers Westwood.

In every aspect of their endeavours our people made unparalleled progress during 1964, and my Government will continue to implement programmes designed to encourage the development of a dynamic society for the material and cultural enrichment of all British Columbians. Paramount among these programmes is the development of massive hydro-electric power resources on the Peace and Columbia Rivers, and I am pleased to learn that great progress is being made on both projects.

My Government advises me that construction of the Portage Mountain Dam on the Peace River is proceeding in accordance with the time schedule. More than 4 million cubic yards of fill have been delivered to the site by the world's largest single conveyor belt. Excavation of the underground power-house will begin this summer, and a contract for the first five turbines has been awarded, with deliveries to begin in 1967. Surveying and clearing of the route for the 500,000-volt transmission-line from the Peace project to Vancouver is on schedule, and construction of the line will begin this summer.

I am informed that the new bridge over the Peace River at Hudson Hope has been completed. Construction of a hard-surfaced road from Chetwynd to Hudson Hope is under way; this road will provide improved access to the dam-site from the Peace River-Hart Highway, and the road leading from the Alaska Highway near Fort St. John to Hudson Hope is likewise being improved. Thousands of people visited the Portage Mountain Dam site in the summer of 1964, and these improved access roads will enhance even more the importance of this great project as a tourist attraction.

My Government advises me that until Peace River power becomes available in the fall of 1968, additional power requirements in the Hydro Authority's service area will be met by the Burrard Thermal Generating Plant, located 10 miles east of Vancouver. A third 150,000-kilowatt generating unit is expected to be in service early this year, and a fourth unit is on order.

In October the main contract for construction of the Duncan Dam on the Columbia River was awarded, and tenders for construction of the Arrow Dam will be received during February. Tenders for the excavation of two 45-foot-diameter diversion tunnels at the Mica Dam site will be called early this year. While this construction activity is continuing, the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority is co-operating fully in resettlement and community planning to ensure that a minimum of disturbance and dislocation is caused by Columbia operations.

Hydro power was made available to the rapidly growing Prince George area for the first time last November, when a 230,000-volt transmission-line was completed from the Bridge River generating system near Lillooet. Another power-line extending eastward from Kelly Lake to Kamloops will be completed this year to serve the fast-growing resource areas of the Southern Interior region.

I am pleased to learn that the purchase of the Northern British Columbia Power Company Limited last November will make the power resources of the Hydro Authority available to the Prince Rupert area, where rapid industrial growth is taking place.

The Hydro Authority continued its broad extension programme during 1964, making power available to many rural areas which were not previously served. This programme will continue throughout the Province in 1965.

My Government reports that construction is now under way of a second high-voltage transmission intertie with facilities of the Bonneville Power Authority in the United States. This line, when energized in May, will link British Columbia with one of the largest power grids in the world and thereby provide additional security and service to the Province and improved means of meeting peak loads.

The Hydro Authority made its third rate reduction on April 1, 1964. This reduction, together with those of 1962 and 1963, has resulted already in savings to consumers of more than \$13,200,000 annually. Further reductions in rates can be expected.

Major pulp and paper producers from throughout the free world continued during 1964 to join already-established companies in planning for the orderly and efficient development of British Columbia's abundant forest resources. Coastal mills are greatly expanding their facilities, and an early start is planned for a new mill on the west coast of Vancouver Island. Three new plants are under construction in the Interior of the Province and should come into production by early 1966. Planning for a further five mills is well advanced, and 12 feasibility studies are in progress.

The forest industry is continuing to develop new uses for wood products, and as the pulp and paper economy develops, maximum utilization of the forest resource will be required in order to make available the necessary increased volume of raw material for new operations.

As a result of the unprecedented growth of the forest industry, you will be asked to approve the creation of a new forest district.

The Government of Canada is now prepared to consider the application of the *Canada Water Conservation Act* to matters which may be referred to it by my Government. The most important of these is the satisfactory maintenance of the dyking system along the Fraser River, and legislation will be referred to you in order to develop administrative procedures by which this programme can be carried out.

Work performed in accordance with the provisions of the *Pollution-control Act* has greatly expanded during the past year, particularly with respect to water-resource management. Amendments to this Act will be proposed during this Session.

You will be asked to consider legislation amending the *Land Act* to enable the leasing of statutory timberlands and forest land for agricultural development where such lands are found to be predominantly arable.

My Government advises me that mineral production during 1964 continued at the high level of the previous year, and vigorous exploration activity is confidently expected to continue. You will be asked during this Session to consider amendments to the *Mineral Act*.

A major extension of natural-gas pipe-line facilities from Chetwynd to Fort Nelson was under construction in 1964, and gas from wells in the Fort Nelson area will shortly be flowing through this pipe-line to markets in the Pacific Coast region. As a result, the development of existing reserves and exploration for new reserves of both natural gas and crude oil may be expected to continue at an accelerated pace during 1965. My Government has appointed the British Columbia Energy Board to study and report on the potential volume of natural-gas reserves in the vast sedimentary basin of British Columbia.

You will be asked to consider a number of changes and additions to the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act* which was tabled before you at the last Session.

Although climatic conditions affected the volume of agricultural-crop production in 1964, my Government advises me that farm cash income is likely to remain close to the high level of the previous year.

In keeping with the provisions of the *Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act* programme, in which my Government acts jointly with the Government of Canada, work is proceeding to classify British Columbia's land resources as to their best typical use. More than 30 projects involving capital expenditures of over \$5,000,000, shared in part by local or municipal groups as well as by senior governments, have been approved for implementation under this programme.

The first convention ever held in Western Canada of the International Association of Governmental Labour Officials took place in Victoria from August 10 to 14, 1964, at which meeting the Honourable Leslie Raymond Peterson, Q.C., Minister of Labour, was elected president, thus being the first Canadian Minister to be given this honour.

I am gratified to learn that during 1964 more British Columbians were gainfully employed than in any previous year of our history, and that prospects for a continuing high level of employment are excellent. The average industrial wage increased last year, and was the highest of any Province in Canada.

In order to ensure that the demands and challenges of a rapidly developing industrial economy may successfully be met, my Government is giving priority to the provision of technical and vocational training opportunities for our citizens. The apprenticeship training programme is being greatly expanded, and you will be asked to authorize major expenditures to facilitate this development. Facilities for vocational and trades training will be greatly enlarged by the provision of four new regional vocational schools to complement the six already in operation. These new schools will be built at Dawson Creek, Terrace, Kamloops, and Victoria. For the training of technicians and technologists, steps are being taken to increase the facilities of the new British Columbia Institute of Technology to enable it to double its present student enrolment and to add several new technologies.

It is gratifying to learn that the development of greater skills by our working people has been accompanied by an improved climate of labour-management relations. Although 1964 was a major contract year, during which negotiations were held on behalf of more workers than at any previous time in our history, man-days lost due to industrial disputes were substantially less than they have been in several other major contract years. This developing sense of responsibility and maturity on the part of both labour and management is an encouraging indicator for the future.

During the forthcoming school-year, more British Columbians will receive formal education than at any time in our history. More than 400,000 pupils will be in attendance at public schools; in excess of 20,000 students will be enrolled in our universities and colleges; and approximately 90,000 adults will engage in some form of continuing education. My Government advises me that the reorganization of the elementary and secondary programme begun in 1961 is proceeding on schedule, and provision of physical facilities has kept pace through the completion during the past year of 256 schools and school additions, providing 644 additional schoolrooms and instruction areas.

Concurrently with these developments in the public school system, the three public universities are expanding their facilities to meet anticipated increased enrolments and new academic requirements. The construction of Simon Fraser University is proceeding rapidly, and the university will open on September 9, 1965. At the University of British Columbia four new buildings have been completed, one is under construction, and five more are in the planning stage. The University of Victoria has completed four additional buildings and three others are being planned.

Progress is also being made in the development of district and regional colleges. A district college to serve the City of Vancouver will open in September, 1965; a regional college for the West Kootenay area, located at Castlegar, will receive its first students in 1966; while another regional college to serve the Okanagan Valley is under consideration.

At the Jericho Hill School for the Deaf and the Blind a new classroom block is nearing completion, and further provision is being made for the vocational training of handicapped students at the Burnaby Vocational School. You will be asked to increase grants to school districts; to authorize increased expenditures for higher education, for regional vocational schools, and for vocational additions to secondary schools. Amendments to the *Public Schools Act*, including those sections pertaining to district and regional colleges, as well as amendments to the *Vocational Schools Assistance Act*, will be presented for your consideration.

You will be asked to approve measures to facilitate the creation of model communities in newly developing areas of British Columbia, and further legislation will be introduced to permit these newly developed communities to assume the responsibility of local government at an early date.

My Government will enter into an agreement with several communities for an accelerated programme of redevelopment. At the south-eastern gateway to British Columbia on the Southern Trans-Canada Highway, steps will be taken in co-operation with the local Councils of Sparwood and Natal to create a new community at Sparwood and to rehabilitate the towns of Natal and Michel, bringing new vigour and life to that region of British Columbia.

I am advised that hospital construction continued at a rapid rate during 1964; 11 major projects involving 301 beds were completed.

My Government informs me that regulations have been developed to facilitate the administration of the *Mental Health Act, 1964*; these will become effective with the proclamation of the Act on April 1st of this year.

My Government has held discussions during the past year with the Government of Canada in connection with the extension of hospital insurance coverage, and is continuing to press for the conclusion of a final agreement in this matter. It is hoped that the provision of hospital insurance benefits to those receiving long-term continuing care will be undertaken during the present year.

My Government has for many years strongly advocated the institution of a national health plan. Since it now appears that the Government of Canada is not prepared to put such a plan into effect at the present time, my Government will ask you to consider legislation to provide for Government contributions toward the cost of medical insurance services for citizens whose incomes are at lower levels. Such assistance would be granted in connection with approved medical plans and would be on a voluntary basis.

My Government is continuing its efforts to stimulate the development of export markets for British Columbia products through the medium of seminars, trade missions, and special studies. The third successful British Columbia International Trade Fair was held last year, and plans are now going forward for a much-enlarged trade fair to be held in Vancouver during Canada's centennial year, 1967.

Notable achievements of my Government's highway-construction programme during 1964 were the opening of the new Port Mann Bridge over the Fraser River, final link in the freeway section of the Trans-Canada Highway, and the opening of the beautiful Salmo-Creston section of the Southern Trans-Canada Highway. Major contracts will be carried out this year on the Northern Trans-Canada Highway between Prince George and McBride and on the Yellowhead Route from Kamloops to Tête Jaune Cache.

A consortium of engineering firms is formulating plans for a further bridge over the Burrard Inlet at First Narrows.

As an extension to the highway system, a new car ferry will enter regular service early this summer between the Comox area on Vancouver Island and Powell River on the Mainland.

My Government will continue this year to expand the excellent ferry service which has become such an important component of our public transportation system. Five new vessels are now under construction. Three are smaller ships which will enable the Ferry Authority to retire all of the older ships and the last steamship in its fleet; another, the "Queen of Burnaby," will augment service from the Lower Mainland, Gulf Islands, and Southern Vancouver Island; and a large new vessel, the "Queen of Prince Rupert," will enter service early in 1966 to complete the highway link between Vancouver Island, Northern Trans-Canada Highway, and Alaska.

I am pleased to learn that the tourist industry prospered further in 1964, with an increase of 21 per cent in border-crossing permits issued. My Government has organized a Provincial Tourist Advisory Council to co-ordinate the activities of the various groups engaged in the tourist industry.

The rapid expansion of the economy and heavier concentration of population in metropolitan regions is tending to place increased pressure on areas readily accessible for healthy outdoor recreational activities. Legislation to authorize the establishment of Regional Park Authorities will therefore be placed before you.

I am pleased to learn that the Pacific Great Eastern Railway is continuing to make a vital contribution to the vast Interior area which it serves. My Government advises me that the extension of the railway to Fort St. James is proceeding on

schedule, and that surveys have been completed for yet another addition to the line. This 23-mile extension will run from Kennedy Station to the southern arm of the huge lake which will be created by the Portage Mountain Dam; it will serve two pulp-mills and other forest industries which propose to establish operations in that area.

My Government is co-operating closely with the Government of Canada in planning for the 1967 celebration of the centenary of Confederation. The Provincial Committee is now fully organized and is making arrangements for appropriate observances both of the centenary in 1966 of the union of the Crown Colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver Island and of the centenary of Canada's Confederation the following year. My Government advises me that the Federal-Provincial Confederation memorial project for British Columbia will be buildings to house a Provincial Archives and Provincial Museum in our capital city, and that construction will start this year.

My Government will participate this year in a joint experimental programme of community development in the Indian village of Port Simpson.

You will be asked at the present Session to consider amendments to the accounting provisions of the *Companies Act* to further the position of shareholders and amendments to the *Credit Unions Act* which will reflect improved inspection procedures.

During the past year my Government has studied closely all aspects of probation procedures, mindful of the necessity both to protect society as a whole and to restore to useful citizenship the greatest possible number of persons who might otherwise be charges upon the penal institutions of the Province. Accordingly, you will be asked at this Session to augment greatly the Probation Service.

An amendment to the *Revenue Act* in connection with the investment by my Government in the shares of chartered banks will be placed before you.

You will be asked to consider amendments to the *Succession Duty Act* which will provide additional exemptions.

The loyalty and efficiency of our Civil Service gives our people cause for satisfaction, and you will be asked to approve an increase in all Civil Service salaries.

The Public Accounts and the reports of the departments of my Government will be laid before you. Measures to cope fully with both the current needs and the continuing requirements of our economic growth are embodied in the ways and means of supply to be granted to Her Majesty during the forthcoming year.

Mr. Speaker and Honourable Members, I leave you now. I trust that Divine Providence will guide you as you discharge your legislative duties in the best interests of all our citizens.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Speaker reported that, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

On the motion of the Hon. R. W. Bonner, Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Amend the Evidence 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 the Hon. W. A. C. Bennett, seconded by the Hon. W. K. Kiernan, it was *Ordered*,—

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the House, and that this Order have precedence over all other business, except introduction of Bills, until disposed of.



On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, seconded by the Hon. *W. N. Chant*, it was *Ordered*,—

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

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, seconded by the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, it was *Ordered*,—

That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills;
2. On Public Accounts and Printing;
3. On Mining and Railways;
4. On Agriculture;
5. On Municipal Matters;
6. On Forestry and Fisheries;
7. On Labour;
8. On Social Welfare and Education;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), said Committee to be composed of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, the Hon. *W. N. Chant*, and Messrs. *Bruch*, *Strachan*, and *Perrault*.

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Strachan*, it was *Ordered*,—

That *William Collins Speare*, Esquire, member for Cariboo Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. *W. D. Black* (Provincial Secretary)—

Ninth Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act* for the year ended March 31, 1964.

Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Civil Service Superannuation Act* for the year ended March 31, 1964.

Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Municipal Superannuation Act* for the year ended March 31, 1964.

Twenty-third Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Teachers' Pensions Act* for the year ended December 31, 1963.

A Report containing a record of the business done in pursuance of the *Public Services Medical Plan Act* for the year ended March 31, 1964.

Fourth Annual Report of the business done under the *Public Service Group Insurance Act*, for the fourth policy-year, July 1, 1963, to June 30, 1964.

Report of the Honourable J. V. Clyne, appointed a sole Commissioner under the *Public Inquiries Act* by Order in Council No. 195, 1961, to inquire into matters relating to expropriation, dated August 24, 1964.



Report of the Public Library Commission for the year ended December 31, 1964.

Queen's Printer, Balance-sheet as at March 31, 1964, and Profit and Loss Statement for twelve months ended March 31, 1964.

By the Hon. *R. W. Bonner* (Attorney-General)—

Forty-third Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board covering the fiscal year ended March 31, 1964.

Balance-sheet of the Liquor Control Board as at September 30, 1964.

Fifty-third Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the year ended December 31, 1963.

Annual Report for 1964 of the British Columbia Racing Commission.

Annual Report of the Motor-vehicle Branch for the year 1963. (In manuscript form.)

By the Hon. *R. G. Williston* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources)—

Return of Lands Exchanged under section 62 of chapter 206, *Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*, from January 9, 1964, to January 11, 1965.

Land Settlement Board (including Agricultural Credit Commission) Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 1963.

By the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (Minister of Finance)—

Public Accounts of the Province of British Columbia for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1964.

Return submitted in accordance with section 46 (2) of the *Revenue Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*: Refunds and remissions made under section 46 (1) of the *Revenue Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*, during the calendar year 1964.

Return submitted in accordance with section 85 (4) of the *Taxation Act*: Remissions and refunds made under authority of section 85 (1), (2), and (3) of the *Taxation Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*, during the calendar year 1964.

Annual Report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1964, Office of the Assessment Commissioner.

Tenth Annual Report of the Assessment Appeal Board for the year ended December 31, 1964.

Statement of Unclaimed Money Deposits, under authority of *Unclaimed Money Deposits Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1964.

By the Hon. *D. L. Brothers* (Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources)—

Report of the Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources for the year ended December 31, 1963.

By the Hon. *P. A. Gaglardi* (Minister of Highways)—  
Minister of Highways Report for the fiscal year 1963/64.

By the Hon. *R. W. Bonner* (Minister of Commercial Transport)—  
Annual Report of the Department of Commercial Transport for the year ended December 31, 1964.

By the Hon. *R. R. Loffmark* (Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce)—  
Report of the Department of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce for the year ended December 31, 1964. (In manuscript form.)

By the Hon. *L. R. Peterson* (Minister of Education)—  
Ninety-third Annual Report of the Public Schools of the Province.

By the Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* (Minister of Municipal Affairs)—  
Department of Municipal Affairs Report for the year ended December 31, 1964.

By the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* (Minister of Health Services and Hospital Insurance)—

Annual Report of the Mental Health Services Branch, Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance, for the year ended March 31, 1964.

Sixteenth Annual Report of the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service covering the calendar year 1964.

By the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan* (Minister of Recreation and Conservation)—  
Annual Report of the Department of Recreation and Conservation for the year ended December 31, 1964.

By the Hon. *W. D. Black* (Minister of Social Welfare)—  
Annual Report of the Department of Social Welfare for the year ended March 31, 1964.

By the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (President of the Council)—  
Second Annual Report of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority for the year ended March 31, 1964.

Public Utilities Commission Twenty-fourth Annual Report, pursuant to section 35 of the *Motor Carrier Act*, for the licence-year ended February 29, 1964.

Fifth Annual Report of the British Columbia Energy Board for the year ended December 31, 1964.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 3.51 p.m.

**Friday, January 22, 1965**

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. H. Turpin*.

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

That the following Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

“ We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us all at the opening of the present Session.”

A debate arose.

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

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources) presented the Water Resources Service Annual Report, 1964.

*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 4.42 p.m.

**Monday, January 25, 1965**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. J. Klempa*.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* moved, seconded by Mr. *Strachan*, that the message to Lady Churchill previously read to the House, as follows:—

“ PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, VICTORIA, B.C.

“ January 25, 1965.

“ *Lady Churchill*,

“ 28 Hyde Park Gate,

“ London S.W. 7, England.

“As Premier of the Province of British Columbia and on behalf of its people I extend to you this expression of our profound sympathy in the death of your husband, Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, K.G., P.C., O.M. In this hour of bereavement may your grief be lessened in the certain knowledge that your sorrow

is shared by millions of people the world over. In the annals of our Empire and Commonwealth the memory of Sir Winston and of his inspired leadership and his tenacity of purpose will long be revered, for he served without stint his sovereign, his nation, and his world.

“ W. A. C. BENNETT,  
“ *Premier of British Columbia.*”

be entered in the Journals of the House.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

That the motion be amended by the addition of the following words:—

“ That this House regrets that the Throne Speech gave no indication that this Government intends to implement without delay the necessary legislation to provide a Government-administered comprehensive medical-care programme in British Columbia and available to every resident in the Province without a means test.”

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—19

Messieurs

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

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Messieurs

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

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

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

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

That on Tuesday, the 26th day of January, 1965, and on all following days of the Session there will be two distinct sittings on each day—one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and one from 8 p.m. until adjournment—unless otherwise ordered.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (Minister of Finance) presented the Twenty-second Annual Report of the Purchasing Commission, covering the period January 1, 1964, to December 31, 1964.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

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## Tuesday, January 26, 1965

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Capt. *Gareth Douglas*.

On the motion of Mr. *Macfarlane*, 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. 2) intituled *An Act Respecting Proceedings against the Crown*.

Bill (No. 3) intituled *An Act to Amend the Purchasing Commission Act*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

By leave of the House, Mr. *Strachan* tabled the following paper: Letter dated January 22, 1965, from Mrs. Sarah J. Watkins and family to Messrs. *R. Strachan*, *E. Matthews*, and *R. Perrault*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

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## Tuesday, January 26, 1965

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

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

1. Are any mining claims registered in the names of any of the following companies: Totem Mining Company Limited, Metot Mining Company Limited, Julian Mining Company Limited, and Mart Mining Company Limited?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, in the case of each company (a) how many claims are filed and (b) where are the claims located?

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

“1. According to the records on file as of January 25, 1965, in the Central Records Office of the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, mineral claims are held under the *Mineral Act* in the names of Totem Minerals Limited, Metot Minerals Limited, and Julian Mining Company Limited. No mineral claims are held in the name of Mart Mining Company Limited.

“2. Totem Minerals Limited: (a) 23 claims and (b) 15 claims located approximately 18 miles southerly from Prince George on left bank of the Fraser River and 8 claims located near junction of Tanzilla River and Gnat Creek.

“Metot Minerals Limited: (a) 22 claims and (b) located approximately 48 miles south-easterly from Tulsequah on the shore of Tatsamenie Lake.

“Julian Mining Company Limited: (a) 416 claims and (b) 41 claims located approximately 16 miles south-easterly from Turnagain Lake, 240 claims located east end of Francois Lake, 80 claims located near Split Creek north of Porcupine River, 33 claims located 4 miles north of Laurie Lake east of Nithi River, and 22 claims located south-east of King Salmon Lake.

“Mart Mining Company Limited: (a) and (b) Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Were any mineral claims registered in the names of any of the following companies as at January 15, 1965: Lundberg Explorations, Wenner-Gren Explorations Limited, and Wenner-Gren British Columbia Development Company?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, in the case of each company (a) how many claims are filed and (b) where are the claims located?

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

“1. Records show no mineral claims recorded in the names of Lundberg Explorations, Wenner-Gren Explorations Limited, and Wenner-Gren British Columbia Development Company.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Was there any expenditure by the Provincial Government in 1964/65 on the construction of the Stewart-Cassiar Road?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what was the amount so expended?

3. Was any money received by the Provincial Government from the Federal Government for the construction of the Stewart-Cassiar Road during 1964/65?

4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the total amount so received?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. \$283,266.31. This amount of money exceeds the Federal contribution by \$20,000, which was retained by the Federal Government from its earlier contributions.

“ 3. Yes.

“ 4. \$153,868.94.”

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

1. Has the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources received correspondence from industry respecting the establishment of a copper smelter in the Province of British Columbia?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) what are the names of the companies interested and (b) what are the locations, if any, considered for the copper smelter?

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

“ 1. While there has been a great deal of interest shown in the establishment of a copper smelter in British Columbia and feasibility studies have been made, no concrete application has yet been made to the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources.

“ 2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.59 p.m..

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**Wednesday, January 27, 1965**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Father *W. H. Bullock*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

Pursuant to Order, the Hon. *R. W. Bonner* presented the Report of the Special Committee appointed on the 21st of January, 1965, as follows:—



## REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

January 27, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee appointed on January 21 to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report and recommend that the personnel of the Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be as follows:—

STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS.—Messrs. *Matthew* (Convener), *MacSorley*, *Price*, *Skillings*, *Vogel*, the Hon. *W. D. Black*, the Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell*, Messrs. *Dowding*, *Macdonald*, *Turner*, and *McKay*.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND PRINTING.—Messrs. *Smith* (Convener), *Chabot*, *Little*, *Lundell*, *McLeod*, *Matthew*, *Skillings*, the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, Messrs. *Harding*, *Nimsick*, *Strachan*, *Stupich*, and *Perrault*.

MINING AND RAILWAYS.—Messrs. *Carnell* (Convener), *Huhn*, *Lundell*, *Shelford*, *Speare*, the Hon. *D. L. Brothers*, the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*, the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, Messrs. *Calder*, *Harding*, *Hartley*, *Nimsick*, and *Gibson*.

AGRICULTURE.—Messrs. *Jefcoat* (Convener), *Carnell*, *Chabot*, *Huhn*, *MacSorley*, *Shelford*, the Hon. *W. N. Chant*, the Hon. *F. X. Richter*, Messrs. *Barrett*, *Stupich*, *Mrs. Haggan*, and *Mr. Perrault*.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.—Messrs. *Bruch* (Convener), *Jefcoat*, *Lundell*, *McLeod*, *Price*, *Skillings*, *Smith*, *Tisdalle*, *Vogel*, *Eddie*, *Hartley*, *Nimsick*, *Turner*, and *Macfarlane*.

FORESTRY AND FISHERIES.—Messrs. *Shelford* (Convener), *Carnell*, *Chabot*, *Huhn*, *Jefcoat*, *Little*, *Robinson*, *Calder*, *Gargarve*, *Squire*, *Stupich*, and *Gibson*.

LABOUR.—Messrs. *Little* (Convener), *Bruch*, *LeCours*, *McLeod*, *Robinson*, the Hon. *W. N. Chant*, the Hon. *L. R. Peterson*, Messrs. *Eddie*, *Macdonald*, *Squire*, and *McKay*.

SOCIAL WELFARE AND EDUCATION.—Messrs. *Speare* (Convener), *Bruch*, *LeCours*, *MacSorley*, *Robinson*, *Tisdalle*, the Hon. *R. R. Loffmark*, Messrs. *Barrett*, *Dowding*, *Mrs. Haggan*, and *Mr. McGeer*.

Respectfully submitted.

R. W. BONNER, *Chairman*.

By leave of the House, the report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The Hon. *D. R. J. Campbell* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled certain correspondence relating to the formation of a district municipality for the Campbell River area.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.47 p.m.

**Thursday, January 28, 1965**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. J. E. Bergbusch.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

Mr. Speare presented the petition of the City of Prince Rupert for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Ratify an Agreement Bearing Date the 16th Day of November, 1964, between the City of Prince Rupert, Canadian National Railway Company, and Her Majesty the Queen in Her Right of Her Province of British Columbia.*

On the motion of Mr. Speare the Rules were suspended and the petition of the City of Prince Rupert was *Ordered* received.

Mr. LeCours presented the petition of Western Embalmers Association for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act Respecting Embalmers and Funeral Directors.*

Mr. LeCours moved that the Rules be suspended and the petition received. The motion was negatived as unanimous consent was not given.

Mr. MacSorley presented the petition of Arnold Frederick Chatterton Hean, Thomas Milton Wylie, and Henry Bruce Dixon for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate Columbia Life & Casualty Insurance Company.*

On the motion of Mr. MacSorley the Rules were suspended and the petition of Arnold Frederick Chatterton Hean, Thomas Milton Wylie, and Henry Bruce Dixon was *Ordered* received.

Mr. Price presented the petition of British Columbia Life & Casualty Company for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the British Columbia Life & Casualty Company Act, 1958.*

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the petition of British Columbia Life & Casualty Company was *Ordered* received.

Mr. Price presented the petition of Wenham Holdings Limited for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922.*

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the petition of Wenham Holdings Limited was *Ordered* received.

Mr. Price presented the petition of Pacific National Exhibition for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Pacific National Exhibition Incorporation Act*.

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the petition of Pacific National Exhibition was *Ordered* received.

Mr. Price presented the petition of the City of Vancouver for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter*.

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the petition of the City of Vancouver was *Ordered* received.

Mr. Price (on behalf of Mr. Matthew) presented the petition of James Cameron Thomson McLean, Samuel Cooper Gardiner, and Richard Philip Anderson for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled *An Act to Incorporate the United Home Life Insurance Company*.

On the motion of Mr. Price the Rules were suspended and the petition of James Cameron Thomson McLean, Samuel Cooper Gardiner, and Richard Philip Anderson was *Ordered* received.

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

1. Were any aeroplanes used by the Government for the purpose of water bombing forest fires in the Province during 1964?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, (a) were any of these aeroplanes owned by the Government and (b) were any of these aeroplanes owned by private individuals or companies?

3. If the answer to No. 2 (b) is yes, (a) what are the names of the individuals and (or) companies and (b) in each case what was paid to the individuals and (or) companies?

4. What was the total cost for this method of fighting fire during 1964?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. (a) No and (b) yes.

“ 3. (a) Skyway Air Services Limited and (b) \$203,754.15.

“ 4. \$203,754.15.”

**48** Mr. Gargrave asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources the following question:—

What was the total number of permanent staff employed on forest protection in the calendar year 1964?

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

“ The total number of permanent staff employed on forest protection in the calendar year 1964 was as follows: Full-time protection staff, 48; staff whose duties included a significant share of forest-protection activities, e.g., rangers, radiomen, etc., 239; total, 287.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.27 p.m.

**Thursday, January 28, 1965**

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mrs. *Haggen*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.39 p.m.

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**Friday, January 29, 1965**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mrs. *Haggen*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* moved that the House do now adjourn in order that the members may attend a memorial service for the late Sir Winston Spencer Churchill, K.G., P.C., O.M.

*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 2.07 p.m.