

it is altered, and it has a substantial meaning, we will be making a significant amendment.

The Hon. W. F. Willesee: The word seems to be all right.

Clause put and passed.

Clauses 5 to 8 put and passed.

Title put and passed.

#### Report

Bill reported, without amendment, and the report adopted.

#### Third Reading

Bill read a third time, on motion by The Hon. A. F. Griffith (Minister for Mines), and passed.

### ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE: SPECIAL

**THE HON. A. F. GRIFFITH** (North Metropolitan—Minister for Mines) [11.56 p.m.]: I move—

That the House at its rising adjourn until a date to be fixed by the President.

Having done that, may I say—if I understand correctly—that tonight's business concludes the third period of the first session of the 26th Parliament of Western Australia.

It is usual when we complete a session to offer complimentary remarks, but with so many sittings during this session I have become confused, and to pass complimentary remarks at this stage seems to be a little out of place.

The Hon. W. F. Willesee: I suggest that we wait until the conclusion of the first period of the next session.

The Hon. A. F. GRIFFITH: We passed complimentary remarks at the end of the first period of this session, so I will not reiterate them. I wish merely to thank you, Mr. President, the Leader of the Opposition, the Clerks, and everybody associated with the conduct of the House for the co-operation that has been given.

Question put and passed.

*House adjourned at 11.58 p.m.*

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## Legislative Assembly

Thursday, the 19th June, 1969

The SPEAKER (Mr. Guthrie) took the Chair at 11 a.m., and read prayers.

### GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND LADY HASLUCK

#### Visit to Parliament House

**THE SPEAKER:** With the indulgence of the House I wish to make an announcement. It is with pleasure that I

inform the House, and place on record, that His Excellency the Governor-General, the Right Honourable Sir Paul Hasluck, a member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, accompanied by Her Excellency Lady Hasluck, made an official visit to Parliament House on Wednesday, the 11th June, 1969, and were entertained by members of both Houses at a Parliamentary Dinner.

This morning I received a letter from His Excellency dated the 14th June, 1969, which reads as follows:—

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I write to thank you for your courtesy in arranging the Parliamentary Dinner at Parliament House in honour of my wife and myself during our recent Official Visit to Perth. We both enjoyed the evening very much and are grateful to you and the President of the Legislative Council for thus honouring us and affording us the opportunity to meet your distinguished parliamentary colleagues. I have also written to the President to express my thanks to him.

In thanking you once more, may I take the opportunity to convey good wishes from my wife and myself to Mrs. Guthrie and yourself and to your colleagues in the Legislative Assembly.

Yours sincerely,  
Paul Hasluck.

### BILLS (2): RETURNED

1. Main Roads Act Amendment Bill.
2. Traffic Act Amendment Bill (No. 2), 1969.

Bills returned from the Council without amendment.

### QUESTIONS (30): ON NOTICE

#### MARITANA STREET BRIDGE, KALGOORLIE

#### Provision of Safety Hand Railing

1. Mr. T. D. EVANS asked the Minister for Railways:
  - (1) Is it the intention of his department to provide safety hand railing along the kerb of the newly constructed Maritana Street bridge at Kalgoorlie?
  - (2) If so, when?
  - (3) If not, why not?
  - (4) If the answer to (1) is "No," with whom does such responsibility lie?

Mr. O'CONNOR replied:

- (1) to (4) I have received a letter from the Kalgoorlie Shire on this matter, as a result of which I am at present having inquiries made. I will advise the honourable member of the outcome of these inquiries.

## KINDERGARTENS

### *Increase in Subsidies*

2. Mr. T. D. EVANS asked the Acting Premier:

- (1) Is he aware of the application before the Industrial Commission for an increase in kindergarten aide salaries which, if granted, will cost kindergartens approximately 90c per child per week?
- (2) In view of the above, will he give early and urgent consideration to increasing the subsidy already paid to kindergartens by an absolute minimum of \$1 per child per week?

Mr. NALDER replied:

- (1) and (2) No. There is no such application before the Industrial Commission.

## PASTORAL RESEARCH STATION

### *Land Resumptions: Laurel Downs and Gogo Stations*

3. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for the North-West:

- (1) What was the purpose for which land from the stations of Laurel Downs and Gogo was resumed?
- (2) When was the project commenced?
- (3) What has been the expenditure to date?

### *Fossil Downs Cattle*

- (4) Were cattle from Fossil Downs being used in connection with the project?
- (5) Are these cattle still being used?
- (6) If "No," what is the reason?
- (7) Has the experiment been terminated?
- (8) What have been the results to date?

Mr. COURT replied:

- (1) To establish a pastoral research station.
- (2) The research station in 1964, but the Gogo resumption included a regeneration trial area which started in 1955 by arrangement with Emanuel Bros.
- (3) \$195,225.
- (4) Yes.
- (5) No.
- (6) Fossil Downs Station considered that with the Agricultural Department staff directed from Derby, there was insufficient security and supervision and control of stock on the grazing area.
- (7) No. Grazing will be resumed when accommodation is ready at the research station and suitable staff can be based there—probably early in 1970.

- (8) On the Gogo area, a carrying capacity of the order of one beast to five acres has been demonstrated on country which was bare, windswept, and eroding in 1955. On the main location centred at Laurel Downs, accommodation is nearing completion. Boundary fencing has been completed. Subdivision, fencing, yard construction, and a vermin control programme is budgeted for 1969-70.

## TOURIST INDUSTRY CONFERENCE

### *Western Australian Representation*

4. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for Tourists:

- (1) Why did the Government ignore an important national tourist industry conference in Sydney last month when all other Australian States were represented officially?
- (2) Is it a fact that some States were represented by both their Ministers for Tourism and directors?
- (3) Is it a fact, as reported, that although Premier Brand was written to about the conference before his departure overseas he had not replied?
- (4) How can Western Australia expect to get its share of the tourist industry if we fail to show any interest in conferences held for the promotion of tourism?

Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON (for Sir David Brand) replied:

- (1) The question of State membership of the Australian National Travel Association was discussed at length at a meeting of the State Tourist Ministers' Council held in Hobart, Tasmania, on the 22nd November, 1968.

The view expressed by the Premier was that A.N.T.A., in its new form, should be a private industry body and did not require membership from State Government Tourist Departments, which had well established channels of communication through the Tourist Ministers' Council to the Australian Tourist Commission and the Commonwealth Minister for Tourism.

Finally it was agreed that membership of A.N.T.A. should be a matter for State decision and that the position should be reviewed at the next meeting of the Tourist Ministers' Council, which will be held in Queensland in July of this year.

Western Australia was one of the States which decided against joining A.N.T.A. until after the posi-

tion is reviewed at the forthcoming Tourist Ministers' Council meeting in Queensland.

Following this decision the Minister, after consultation with the chairman of the authority, decided that Western Australia should not be represented at the A.N.T.A. conference held recently in Sydney.

- (2) The status or number of representatives of those States which attended the conference is not known.
- (3) No. The Premier wrote to the Chairman of A.N.T.A. on the 14th April, 1969, advising him of his inability to attend the conference.
- (4) Western Australia shows a great interest in conferences designed to promote tourism.

In addition to the annual meeting of the Tourist Ministers' Council, which includes representatives of all States and Commonwealth territories, directors of State Government Tourist Bureaus, the Australian Tourist Commission, and the New Zealand Government Tourist Department meet annually to discuss problems associated with the development of tourism within Australia and New Zealand.

Two directors of State Government Tourist Departments are members of the Australian Tourist Commission which meets at two-monthly intervals to consider Australia's overseas promotional activities. The Western Australian Director of Tourist Development (Mr. Miller) is currently a member of the commission.

Directors also attend the annual meeting of the Pacific Area Travel Association—this year held in Bangkok—and benefit from talks given by world authorities on many aspects of tourism.

It is felt that the Tourist Ministers' Council and the directors' conference, together with the continuing interest of State departments in overseas promotional activities through the Australian Tourist Commission, is sufficient at present.

The Western Australian Government believes there is a place in private domestic tourism for an organisation such as A.N.T.A. but has not yet been convinced that Government membership is justified.

The question of representation at future A.N.T.A. conferences will depend on decisions made at the forthcoming Tourist Ministers' Council meeting in Queensland.

## CORAL BAY RESORT

### *Principals, and Government Assistance*

5. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for Industrial Development:
  - (1) Who are the principals concerned with the establishment and development of the Coral Bay resort?
  - (2) What financial assistance has been given—
    - (a) directly;
    - (b) indirectly,
 by the Government?
  - (3) What is the present total of the promoters' actual and contingent liabilities to the Government?

Mr. COURT replied:

- (1) The directors of Coral Bay Pty. Ltd., as known to the Department of Industrial Development, are—

Mr. J. A. Munson (Managing Director).

Mr. J. D. Nicholas.

Mr. M. J. Harvey.

Mr. K. F. Ryan.

Mr. W. G. Robertson.

Mr. C. Bailey.

Mr. S. Bailey.

Mr. J. W. Dalgleish.

Mr. J. Saratos.

- (2) The only Government financial assistance is by way of a guarantee to the Commonwealth Trading Bank for \$107,500.
- (3) Answered by (2).

## JUNIOR AND LEAVING CERTIFICATES

### *Statement on Abolition*

6. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for Education:
  - (1) Will he explain how he came to approve of the issuing of a statement in which the abolition of the Junior and Leaving Certificates was scheduled for 1971 and 1973 respectively, and subsequently announced the setting up of a board of secondary education to examine the whole question?
  - (2) Had a decision to abolish the Leaving Certificate been made by him or anyone acting on his behalf?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) and (2) The statement issued by me on the 2nd May, 1969, was on the advice of the department, but for which I take full responsibility. This accepted the recommendation made by the Secondary Education Committee of 1969 (p. 104) that—

Because of their fallibility and the restraints which they place on curricula and teaching

methods, external examinations should be discontinued and replaced by internal school assessments. The last Junior examinations should be conducted in 1971 and the last Leaving examinations in 1973—

My statement referred to Government schools and was intended to apply to those students who would not be proceeding to tertiary education. Unfortunately this point was not made clear.

On my return from overseas, and realising the confusion in the minds of parents and students who were concerned with tertiary education, I issued a further statement that the department would continue to provide such courses as would meet the entrance qualifications set down by tertiary institutions.

In my earlier statement I also announced the acceptance of another recommendation (p. 109) that a board of secondary education would be established.

In my second statement of the 4th June I said, among its other duties, that this board would supervise the introduction of the Achievement Certificate to cover the first three years and it would negotiate with all tertiary institutions regarding their entrance requirements.

## TEACHERS

### *Shortage*

7. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for Education:

- (1) Has he seen the newspaper report that principals from all metropolitan high schools have declared that a shortage of qualified staff has led to an education crisis?
- (2) Does he agree with the declaration?
- (3) Which, if any, of the following examples cited are not factual:—
  - (a) a mathematics teacher was replaced by someone who had dropped mathematics at second-year high school level;
  - (b) a fourth and fifth-year physics and chemistry teacher was replaced by a teacher with no upper school experience in these subjects or science B at a lower level;
  - (c) two science teachers were replaced by one untrained teacher and an English teacher?

- (4) How many resignations of—
  - (a) secondary school teachers; and
  - (b) primary school teachers,
 took effect during the first term this year?
- (5) How many senior masters or mistresses are filling promotional positions temporarily?
- (6) Of the total of temporary appointments how many are because of the permanent appointees being on leave?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Only in part.
- (3) (a) The department cannot identify this case, but if it did occur the replacement teacher would not have been required to take over his predecessor's teaching programme.
- (b) This is correct, but the timetable was rearranged so that the replacement teacher is not required to teach upper school classes.
- (c) This is correct, but the untrained teacher has considerable relevant experience and was appointed at the specific request of the school. The English teacher has taken over a programme in her own subject, thus releasing other teachers for science classes.

- (4) (a) 60.
- (b) 142.

During the first term, 56 teachers were recruited and 62 re-entered the department. This represents a net increase of 58 teachers during the first term.

- (5) 98.
- (6) 25.

## FINGERPRINTING

### *Authority*

8. Mr. T. D. EVANS asked the Minister for Police:

What statutory or other legal authority exists for fingerprinting by police of a person suspected of having committed an offence, but before conviction?

Mr. O'CONNOR (for Mr. Craig) replied:

Power to fingerprint a prisoner in the custody of the police is contained in the Prisons Act, 1903-1918 and the regulations made thereunder.

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD**

*Case Reports: Publication*

9. Mr. T. D. EVANS asked the Minister for Labour:

When are further reports of cases determined by the Workers' Compensation Board to be published and made available to subscribers?

Mr. O'NEIL replied:

Further reports are now in course of processing and will be made available as early as possible.

- (4) What was the cost?  
 (5) What is the reason for moving from the existing premises?

Mr. O'CONNOR (for Mr. Craig) replied:

- (1) August, 1969.  
 (2) Yes.  
 (3) November, 1965.  
 (4) \$10,400.  
 (5) In furtherance of the board's policy of owning, as far as is practicable, all of its agencies.

**MOTOR VEHICLE THIRD PARTY CLAIMS TRIBUNAL**

*Case Reports: Publication*

10. Mr. T. D. EVANS asked the Minister representing the Minister for Local Government:

- (1) Is it intended that reports of cases determined by the Motor Vehicle Third Party Claims Tribunal will be published by or on behalf of the tribunal?  
 (2) If so, when?

Mr. NALDER replied:

- (1) Judgments are made in open court, recorded, and copies are made available to the Press.  
 (2) Answered by (1).

**STUDENTS**

*Enrolments*

11. Mr. LAPHAM asked the Minister for Education:

How many students in 1969 are enrolled in—

- (a) primary schools,  
 (b) secondary schools;  
 (c) technical schools and colleges?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

The answer to this question applies to Government schools only. The answer is as follows:—

- (a) 124,806.  
 (b) 44,233.  
 (c) 64,000.

**T.A.B. AGENCY**

*East Victoria Park*

12. Mr. DAVIES asked the Minister for Police:

- (1) When is it anticipated the new T.A.B. agency at East Victoria Park will be completed?  
 (2) Is this property wholly owned by the board?  
 (3) If "Yes," when was it purchased?

**EDUCATION**

*Sweeney Report*

13. Mr. DAVIES asked the Minister for Education:

- (1) Has the Sweeney report on salaries for lecturers at the Institute of Technology and advanced education been received by the Government?  
 (2) If so, when could an announcement be expected on the Government's proposed action?  
 (3) From what date will any increases granted apply?  
 (4) Will the Government give consideration to providing an interim increment until finality is reached?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) Yes.  
 (2) An announcement will be made by the Commonwealth when the views of the States have been obtained.  
 (3) and (4) This is under consideration.

**LAND AT EASTERN END OF CAUSEWAY**

*Vesting in Perth City Council*

14. Mr. DAVIES asked the Minister for Lands:

- (1) Has all land to be developed by the Perth City Council at the eastern end of the Causeway now been vested in the council?  
 (2) If not, when can finality in this matter be anticipated?

Mr. O'CONNOR (for Mr. Bovell) replied:

- (1) The land was resumed for the special purpose of "Perth Causeway—Eastern Approach" and is still subject to the provisions of the Public Works Act. Agreement has been reached between the Government departments concerned as to procedures for future control, but agreement by the Perth City Council has not yet been indicated.

(2) The greater part of the area could be vested in the City of Perth as soon as the council agrees to the conditions required by the Main Roads Department. Vesting of the balance, because of further necessary legal procedures, would take some months longer.

### SCHOOL

#### Useless Loop

15. Mr. NORTON asked the Minister for Education:

- (1) Has an application been received from Useless Loop (Shark Bay Salt) for the establishment of a school there?
- (2) If "Yes," when will the school be opened?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The application is being investigated. No decision has yet been made.

### EXMOUTH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

#### Additions: Tenders

16. Mr. NORTON asked the Minister for Education:

- (1) When will tenders be called for additions to the Exmouth Junior High School?
- (2) What extensions are to be made?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) Tenders are expected to be called by the 30th June.
- (2) Four classrooms, home economics, manual arts, science, and a staff room.

### ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES

#### Production and Cost

17. Mr. JONES asked the Minister for Electricity:

What was the—

- (a) total units of electricity generated by the State Electricity Commission during 1967-68 supplied to its interconnected grid systems;
- (b) number of units generated by each power station;
- (c) cost of production at each power station;
- (d) quantity of electricity purchased by the commission at Kwinana;
- (e) average purchase price per unit for 1967-68;
- (f) number of units of electricity sold by the metropolitan system;

(g) average price charged per unit for current in the metropolitan area?

Mr. NALDER replied: Mr. Speaker, before I give the answer to this question, I seek your permission to give an explanation which is necessary.

The SPEAKER: Permission granted.

Mr. NALDER: I must again point out that the State Electricity Commission operates an interconnected system of power stations. The commission loads these power stations so as to get the most economical output of power consistent with giving security of supply. It is the overall generating costs of the system that is the important figure and not the cost of generation at any individual station.

For this reason, the commission's most economical stations are given the heaviest loading and the less efficient stations are used to a lesser extent with, however, the proviso that it is necessary at all times to keep some load on metropolitan stations to give security in case of breakdown of transmission lines from the south-west.

The answer to the question is as follows:—

- |     |                                                                             |             |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| (a) | 1,666,114,600 units.                                                        |             |
| (b) | East Perth generating station                                               | Units       |
|     | .....                                                                       | 38,923,500  |
|     | South Fremantle generating station                                          | 204,178,000 |
|     | Bunbury generating station                                                  | 457,306,000 |
|     | Muja generating station                                                     | 924,544,000 |
|     | Collie generating station                                                   | 31,183,500  |
|     | Wellington Dam generating station                                           | 9,979,600   |
|     |                                                                             | Per Unit    |
| (c) | East Perth generating station                                               | 3.82        |
|     | South Fremantle generating station                                          | 1.48        |
|     | Bunbury generating station                                                  | .98         |
|     | Muja generating station                                                     | .54         |
|     | Collie generating station                                                   | 1.02        |
|     | Wellington Dam generating station                                           | .40         |
|     | These generating costs include capital charges but no administration costs. |             |
| (d) | 63,940,250 units.                                                           |             |
| (e) | .6259c.                                                                     |             |
| (f) | 1,169,500,469 units.                                                        |             |
| (g) | 2.147c.                                                                     |             |

**PET FOOD**

*Imports*

18. Mr. JONES asked the Acting Premier: What amount of pet food was imported into this State for the years 1966, 1967, and 1968?

Mr. NALDER replied: lb.

1965-66	....	....	....	861,506
1966-67	....	....	....	1,287,447
1967-68	....	....	....	3,614,425

**LAMB AND MUTTON**

*Imports*

19. Mr. DAVIES asked the Minister for Agriculture:

- (1) Are any supplies of lamb and mutton imported into Western Australia?
- (2) If so, can he supply figures, and country or State of origin for—
  - (a) each of the last two years;
  - (b) to date this year?

Mr. NALDER replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2)

	1966-67	1967-68	July 1968- March 1969
	lb. <i>nil</i>	lb. <i>nil</i>	lb. <i>nil</i>
From overseas	....	....	....
From interstate—			
Victoria	.... 51,478	<i>nil</i>	3,690
South Australia	.... 27,856	<i>nil</i>	<i>nil</i>
Tasmania	.... 32,088	<i>nil</i>	<i>nil</i>
	<u>111,422</u>	<u><i>nil</i></u>	<u>3,690</u>

The above figures are the latest available from the Bureau of Census and Statistics.

Figures from certificates received by the Department of Public Health indicate 4,308 and 1,612 lamb carcasses were imported from Victoria and South Australia respectively since the end of March, 1969, to date.

**HAMELIN-TAMALA-USELESS LOOP ROAD**

*Permissible Loading*

20. Mr. NORTON asked the Minister for Works:

- (1) What is the gross maximum permissible loading for motor vehicles on the Hamelin-Tamala-Useless Loop road?
- (2) Are permits being issued for loads in excess of this weight?

Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON replied:

- (1) In the original agreement between Shark Bay Salt and the Government, loading on the road was to be restricted to 20 tons gross. In October, 1963, the Main Roads Department advised the company that vehicles class G, GA, L, M, and MA, could operate on the road with licensed aggregate loading, provided the prime mover was equipped with tandem drive.

- (2) Yes. Since April, 1967, period, extra load permits have been issued which allow tandem axle loading of 16 tons. In view of the deterioration of the road, it is the department's intention that no further permits will be issued for this route and the existing permits will not be renewed. All vehicles will then be restricted to licensed aggregate loading.

**SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

*Purchase of Tape Recorders: Government Subsidy*

21. Mr. BERTRAM asked the Minister for Education:

- (1) Are secondary schools assisted by Government subsidy in the purchase of tape recorders?
- (2) If "Yes," to what extent?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Dollar for dollar to a maximum of \$100.

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS**

*Purchase of Tape Recorders: Government Subsidy*

22. Mr. BERTRAM asked the Minister for Education:

- (1) Are primary schools assisted by Government subsidy in the purchase of tape recorders?
- (2) If "Ycs," to what extent?
- (3) If "No," why not?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) and (2) Not at present.
- (3) Present policy is being reviewed.

**MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES**

*Refunds on Surrender*

23. Mr. BERTRAM asked the Minister for Police:

- (1) How many refunds, and for what total amount, were made during each of the three years ended the 30th June, 1968, to owners who had surrendered their vehicle licenses before such licenses had expired by effluxion of time?
- (2) How many of said refunds and for what total amount for each of said three years were made under—
  - (a) section 8 of the Traffic Act;
  - (b) section 13 of the Traffic Act;
  - (c) any other provision of the Traffic Act?

Mr. O'CONNOR (for Mr. Craig) replied:

- (1) 1965-66—\$32,601.  
1966-67—\$67,203.  
1967-68—\$64,701.

- (2) (a) Refunds are not made under section 8 of the Traffic Act.
- (b) and (c) All refunds are made under section 11 (subsection 10) and section 13 of the Traffic Act and records are not kept for specific sections of the Act. This is the reason I have given the sum instead of the number of vehicles involved.
- To supply the information in the form requested would involve a considerable amount of time but can be made available to the honourable member at a later date if he so desires.

### HEALTH

#### *Hong Kong Influenza*

24. Mr. BERTRAM asked the Minister representing the Minister for Health:
- (1) What is the cost per annum of the Hong Kong flu serum and the injection thereof, respectively?
  - (2) How many Western Australians have thus far been vaccinated against the "expected" Hong Kong flu epidemic?
  - (3) What is the usual number of flu vaccinations administered annually?
  - (4) Over what period of time in this year would the Hong Kong flu strike the people of this State?
  - (5) Is the Hong Kong flu serum different from the serum injected to combat ordinary flu viruses?
  - (6) If "Yes," in what way?
  - (7) What is the cost of the ordinary flu serum?
  - (8) Does he concur with the Federal Health Minister's reported statement "that the incidence and severity of outbreaks of Hong Kong flu overseas had been overpublicised and misrepresented . . . that it has created a false impression in the minds of people in Australia about the possible effects of an outbreak here . . . and that, although the incidence of Hong Kong flu had been widespread in some overseas countries, it had not been particularly severe in any, and its effects were no worse than those of ordinary flu viruses which Australians had always lived with . . .?"
  - (9) If not, why not?
  - (10) If "Yes," then in order to save the huge expenditure involved in Hong Kong flu vaccinations—
    - (a) what action has he taken to inform the public thereof;
    - (b) what action does he propose to take to inform the public thereof?
- Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON replied:
- (1) (a) The base-price of influenza vaccine is 85c per dose (to which a variable retailer margin would be added).
  - (b) An average charge for a service such as an injection is about \$1.50 (although a reduced rate is customary for mass or group vaccinations).
  - (c) The recommended basic course of influenza vaccination consists of two injections in the first year.
  - (d) The minimum cost of basic vaccination would therefore be in the vicinity of \$5.
  - (2) The actual number of persons vaccinated is not known, but it is understood from the manufacturer's local agents that some 276,000 doses of influenza vaccine (C.S.L.) have been distributed in Western Australia this year.
  - (3) The actual number of vaccinations administered is not known, but the average number of doses of influenza vaccine (C.S.L.) sold in Western Australia each year during the period 1964-1968 (inclusive) was 23,940.
  - (4) This is unpredictable; but previous epidemics of influenza in this State have mostly occurred during the period July-September.
  - (5) to (7) Previous influenza vaccines available in this State were constituted so as to combat several strains of influenza virus. The current vaccine is different in that it also incorporates the Hong Kong strain which was identified last year. The price has not been altered.
  - (8) Yes.
  - (9) Not applicable.
  - (10) In response to several inquiries from the Press, radio, television, and the public, both the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of Public Health have, with my approval, attempted to place the matter in its true perspective. The honourable member might also recall a letter published in *The West Australian* on the 11th April over the names of five prominent medical men. I believe that this letter has had the desired effect of reassuring the majority of the people in Perth. Further action, on my part, does not appear to be necessary at this stage.
- Mr. Tonkin: Has the Minister been vaccinated?



Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON: I do not know.

Mr. Tonkin: I mean you.

Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON: No.  
*The letter was tabled.*

## HIGH SCHOOLS IN COCKBURN ELECTORATE

### *Teacher Replacements*

25. Mr. TAYLOR asked the Minister for Education:

(1) How many temporary replacements for senior masters, mistresses, heads, and deputies are at the following schools:—

- (a) South Fremantle Senior High;
- (b) Hamilton Hill Senior High;
- (c) Kwinana High?

(2) How many of these are—

- (a) replacing staff on sick or long service leave;
- (b) filling the position because no eligible trained staff are available;
- (c) required at each of these schools to bring them to the desired strength?

### *Classrooms*

(3) How many rooms or enclosed spaces other than rooms contracted specifically for classroom teaching are, in fact, being utilised for this purpose in each of the above schools?

(4) How many demountables are used at each school?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) (a) 2.
- (b) 2.
- (c) 1.

(2) (a) South Fremantle—nil. The deputy has been promoted to Superintendent of Curriculum as from May, 1969.

Hamilton—1.  
Kwinana—nil.

(b) South Fremantle—1.  
Hamilton—1.  
Kwinana—1.

(c) South Fremantle—2.  
Hamilton—1.  
Kwinana—1.

(3) South Fremantle—nil.

Hamilton—One converted store room and two senior masters' rooms.

Kwinana—One cloak room is in occasional use for small groups.

(4) South Fremantle—nil.  
Hamilton—nil.  
Kwinana—12.

## MANUAL TRAINING CENTRES

### *Closures and Teachers*

26. Mr. TAYLOR asked the Minister for Education:

(1) How many State senior high schools, high schools, and junior high schools have had to—

- (a) close manual training centres;
- (b) reduce the number of classes conducted in manual training centres?

(2) How many manual training teachers would be required to fully staff existing centres to the level at present considered satisfactory by the Education Department?

(3) How many secondary State schools at this point of time are therefore understaffed with regard to manual training teachers?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) (a) None.
- (b) None.
- (2) Complete staffing entails 313.
- (3) None.

## EFFLUENT

### *Discharge into Cockburn Sound*

27. Mr. TAYLOR asked the Minister for Works:

In reply to my question of the 27th March regarding discharge of effluent into Cockburn Sound from industry in the South Fremantle-Coogee area, he advised that studies had been made and that departments involved had been conferring. Would he advise whether it is proposed to—

(1) (a) direct the disposal of this industrial waste by way of sewage treatment plants and not into Cockburn Sound;

(b) direct that some other method of disposal be utilised;

(c) continue to allow the effluent to drain into the sound?

(2) How many complaints have been received by his department since the 27th March with regard to effluent discharge into Cockburn Sound?

Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON replied:

(1) (a) to (c) Although departments have conferred, no firm decision has yet been made on how discharge of effluent from industry in the South Fremantle-Coogee area will be dealt with.

Preliminary investigation indicates that the cost of pre-treatment and disposal through the sewerage scheme would be very substantial.

Alternative methods of disposal other than by way of sewage treatment plants do not appear to be available.

The Fremantle Port Authority has investigated all discharges into the sound and will insist that they be pre-treated to the required level before discharge. There are many complicating factors involved and a satisfactory solution is being sought.

- (2) Departmental records do not contain any written complaints in this regard.

#### GOVERNMENT CIRCULAR No. 17/67

##### *Effect on Ex-servicemen*

28. Mr. TAYLOR asked the Acting Premier:

With regard to the subject matter of Circular to Permanent Heads No. 17/67 of the 14th September, 1967 issued by the Public Service Commissioner's Office, would he advise how many—

- (a) ex-servicemen with entitlements are employed as salaried staff and therefore entitled to this concession;
- (b) ex-servicemen salaried staff since September 1967 have in fact utilised this concession and, if any, how many days were involved?

Mr. NALDER replied:

- (a) It is not known whether an ex-serviceman is entitled to this concession or not until he makes an application for special sick leave under the provisions of Circular to Permanent Heads No. 17/67 dated the 14th September, 1967.
- (b) Of ex-servicemen employed on the salaried staff under the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1904-1967, the following number have utilised the concession:—  
50 officers—total 1210 days.

#### EFFLUENT DISPOSAL, KWINANA

##### *Compensation*

29. Mr. TAYLOR asked the Minister for Industrial Development:

- (1) Regarding effluent disposal in the Kwinana area will he clarify his answers given on the 17th June to the sections relating to compensation for possible loss to residents adjacent to these areas?

- (2) Will the Government and/or the company give guarantees to fully compensate those local residents who may be affected from any cause related to the establishment of these effluent ponds?

Mr. COURT replied:

- (1) and (2) I presume the honourable member is referring to the answers I gave to the three questions 15, 16, and 17 on the 17th June, 1969.

If so, the answers appear, on a re-examination, to be clear enough and as far as any Minister, Government, or company could reasonably be expected to go.

The responsibility of all the parties is either covered by Statute (including ratified agreements) or common law. On reflection the honourable member will appreciate it is impracticable and undesirable to endeavour to be precise about things like compensation in advance of any particular set of circumstances.

#### KING WILLIAM STREET SUBWAY

##### *Traffic Hazard*

30. Mr. TOMS asked the Minister for Works:

- (1) Is he aware of the traffic hazard now existing since the Railways Department finished its work on the widening of the Bayswater subway at King William Street approximately two months ago?
- (2) What has been the holdup in connection with the roadworks to be undertaken by the Main Roads Department at this junction?
- (3) Will immediate action be taken to have this work put in hand so as to eliminate the hazard to traffic?

Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON replied:

- (1) to (3) The alterations to the subway at Bayswater are a joint exercise being carried out in stages by the Railways Department and the Main Roads Department. The stage has now been reached where the Railways Department has completed its portion of the works, and the way is clear for the Main Roads Department to complete the road works. Due to pressure of other work in the metropolitan area it has not been possible to make an immediate start on the road works. However, these will be put in hand in the near future.

## MOTOR VEHICLE THIRD PARTY CLAIMS TRIBUNAL

### *Publication of Case Reports: Statement by Speaker*

**THE SPEAKER:** Before I take questions without notice I wish to make a comment on the answer given by the Acting Premier on behalf of the Minister for Local Government. It concerns question 10 on today's notice paper. In making this comment I want to establish quite clearly that I am not setting any precedent. I do not regard it as part of my function to vet answers which may be given. I think members are quite capable of looking after themselves.

However, as the member for Kalgoorlie is not present and I feel that the Minister for Local Government has misunderstood the question, I thought I might make this comment: I think it would be fair to say the honourable member is seeking information as to when, if at all, any reports are to be published in the sense that law reports are published. For example, High Court decisions are reported in *Commonwealth Law Reports* and our Supreme Court decisions are published in the Western Australian reports. The honourable member wants to know when, if at all, case reports of the tribunal will be published and is not seeking information on the publication of decisions.

Might I suggest to the Acting Premier that perhaps he could refer the question back to the Minister with that comment. Perhaps the Minister might see fit to write to the member for Kalgoorlie giving him the information.

## QUESTIONS (9): WITHOUT NOTICE PETROLEUM ACT, 1967

### *Proclamation*

1. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister representing the Minister for Mines:
  - (1) Why has the Petroleum Act, 1967, the passing of which the Government treated as a matter of great urgency, not been proclaimed?
  - (2) Is it intended to proclaim this Act?

Mr. COURT replied:

- (1) and (2) It was necessary to complete action in respect of applications under the Transitional Provisions (Division 7) of the Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act, 1967-1968, before proclaiming the Act referred to. This process took longer than was originally anticipated but it is now almost completed. Some discussions are currently in process with industry concerning work conditions under the Act referred to. It is likely that the Act will be proclaimed very soon.

## PASTORAL RESEARCH STATION

### *Fossil Downs Cattle*

2. Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for the North-West:

Referring to the answer given to question 3 on today's notice paper: As the information supplied is at considerable variance with the information in my possession, I desire to ask the Minister was it not a fact that the cattle were removed from the station because the owner of the cattle, on visiting the station, found that they had been left for a considerable time without water? Is it not a fact, also, that due to the incompetence of the man in charge, a bulldozer on the property was used without oil and as a result \$500 worth of damage was done?

Mr. COURT replied:

I think the Leader of the Opposition would realise that one cannot have in one's possession all of the details to enable an answer to be given off the cuff. I do know, however, that the owner of the cattle had cause to complain that some of the cattle had been left for a period of 24 hours without water. I do not know whether the owner removed the cattle, or asked for their removal, but this matter was amply covered by the answer I gave following consultation with the department controlled by my colleague, the Minister for Agriculture. So far as the bulldozer is concerned, frankly I would not know the fate of a particular bulldozer in the north where many hundreds are working. However, I will make inquiries.

## EDUCATION

### *Sweeney Report*

3. Mr. DAVIES asked the Minister for Education:

I would like some further information on the answer given to question 13 on today's notice paper. I refer to the Sweeney Report which is of very great interest and concern to the lecturers of the Institute of Technology.

- (1) Could the Minister tell me whether the views of this State have been conveyed to the Commonwealth Government?
- (2) Is it a fact that before the commission sat agreement was reached that the salaries would be retrospective to the 1st January, 1968?

- (3) When will the Government reach a decision on whether or not the lecturers are to receive an interim increment?

Mr. LEWIS replied:

- (1) to (3) I would have preferred some notice of this question. The Commonwealth Government has already indicated that it will make an increase, but it did not say when. The Commonwealth Government has not yet received the views of this State. I understand that the Prime Minister implied that any increase in salaries would be made retrospective. However, the Commonwealth appointed the commission, and it is a Commonwealth report. Therefore, the announcement will have to be made by the Commonwealth.

Mr. Davies: How long has the report been available?

Mr. LEWIS: For only a short time; a matter of days.

### CORAL BAY RESORT

#### *Principals, and Government Assistance*

4. Mr. BATEMAN asked the Minister for Industrial Development:

Reference Coral Bay Pty. Ltd.—

- (1) What is the normal capital of the said company?
- (2) What is the issued capital of the company?
- (3) How many shareholders are there in the company?
- (4) When was the company incorporated?
- (5) When did the company commence trading?
- (6) How much has the company lost to date?
- (7) Who are the shareholders and what are the respective amounts of their shareholdings?
- (8) What is the estimated number and value of creditors of the company as at the 30th April, 1969?
- (9) What is the estimated total loss of the creditors?
- (10) Does the Department of Industrial Development or any other Government fund stand to lose any money in consequence of the said company's failure? If "Yes," how much?

- (11) Has the Department of Industrial Development lent any money to the said company or guaranteed any of the company's debts? If "Yes," give particulars and state the security, if any, given therefor.

- (12) Is there a proposal for the reconstruction of the company? If "Yes," will it be a term thereof that the Government will appoint one or more directors of the company? If not, why not?

- (13) Have any other creditors of the company been offered the right to appoint a director, or directors, of the company?

- (14) Was the company created to cater for comparatively wealthy holiday-makers? If "Yes," did the Department of Industrial Development know this? If "No," why not?

- (15) Is it now proposed—

(i) That the said company shall in future operate to cater for middle class holiday-makers?

(ii) That the company should seek to succeed by the familiar device of advertising and promotion campaigns? If "Yes," does the Department of Industrial Development approve of these measures?

Mr. COURT replied:

	\$
(1) Nominal capital—	
300,000 \$1 Shares ....	300,000
(2) Issued capital—	
Ordinary shares of	
\$1 each ....	144,742
8 per cent. Participating preference	
shares of \$1 each	102,242
	\$246,984

- (3) Twenty-seven (27).

- (4) The company was incorporated on the 19th September, 1966.

- (5) The resort was officially opened on the 12th February, 1969.

- (6) To the 28th March, 1969, the company had lost \$78,417 (this is the latest figure available).

The SPEAKER: Order! The occupant of the public gallery will either put the book away or leave the gallery.

Mr. COURT: To continue—

(7) Shareholders of Coral Bay Pty. Ltd. are—

	Ordinary Shares
Mr. K. F. Ryan ....	7,313
Mr. M. J. Harvey ....	1
Mr. T. Hodgson ....	3,000
Mr. N. Margetic ....	400
Mr. R. Miracliotta ...	400
Mr. G. Charles ....	2,000
Mr. W. Robertson ....	3,000
Mr. R. Marsini ....	1,500
Mr. J. D. Nicholas ..	11,500
Perth Industrial Holdings Pty. Ltd.	3,000
Ripponlea Holdings Pty. Ltd. ....	39,628
Mr. C. H. Smith ....	2,000
Mr. L. R. Harding ...	3,000
Mr. G. and Mrs. I. J. Drew ....	5,000
Mrs. Margaret Pat- tersen ....	2,000
Mr. E. S. Donovan ...	3,000
Mr. T. A. and Mrs. C. M. Cameron ....	3,000
Mr. B. and Mrs. C. Haigh (500 ea.) ..	1,000
Mr. D. J. and Mrs. D. Arbuthnot ....	3,000
Mr. G. O. Parkins ....	4,000
Mr. L. Kenworthy ..	3,000
Mr. N. O. and Mrs. A. Green ....	1,500
Top Interest Tours Ltd. ....	12,500
Bank of Bermuda Ltd. ....	30,000
Total:	144,742
Top Interest Tours Ltd. 8 per cent. participating pref. shares ....	101,742
Mr. R. T. Oliver 8 per cent. partici- pating pref. shares ....	500
Total:	102,242

(8) Estimated number of un-secured creditors is 202 and the amount owing to them is approximately \$245,000 - \$250,000.

(9) Not known at this stage.

(10) The R. & I. Bank, on behalf of the State, holds a first mortgage and first debenture to secure the guarantee of \$107,500. In the event of a sale it is expected that this amount would be fully covered.

(11) Answered by (10) above.

(12) The Supreme Court has issued an order to call a meeting of members and creditors to discuss a scheme of compromise and arrangement with regard to the company's future.

It has not been decided at this stage, having regard for security held, whether the State will be or would want to be represented on a management committee which could be appointed at this meeting.

(13) Under the scheme of arrangement, it is proposed to form a management committee and this will comprise representatives of both the creditors and the company. The actual composition is unknown at this stage.

(14) The original intention in the submission to the Government catered for different categories of holiday-makers and there was no emphasis on "luxury accommodation."

(15) (i) The special manager and the management committee will decide on future tariffs to be charged.

(ii) This also will be a policy decision of the special manager and the management committee.

Perhaps I should explain the answer given to (12) where I stated, "It has not been decided at this stage, having regard for security held, whether the State will be or would want to be represented." Under our security, there may be reasons for preferring not to participate, because it might prejudice the security. Obviously we do not want to do anything which in any way impairs the right of the R. & I. Bank, on behalf of the State, to enter possession if it wants to.

LANDS AND SURVEYS DEPARTMENT

*File No. 1149/61: Tabling*

5. Mr. GRAHAM asked the Minister for Lands:

Will he lay upon the Table of the House Lands and Surveys Department file 1149/61?

Mr. O'CONNOR (for Mr. Bovell) replied:

Lands and Surveys Department file 1149/61 is submitted herewith for tabling.

*The file was tabled.*

## IRON ORE

*Cliffs Project: Details*

6. Mr. BICKERTON asked the Minister for the North-West:

Will he acquaint the House with the latest details concerning the Cliffs deal?

Mr. COURT replied:

In answer to the member for Pilbara, I will outline the situation. Now the contract of sale has been successfully negotiated, the company has four months in which to advise the final details of the consortium, or the group of joint venturers—whichever way one looks at it—who will make up the company and actually operate the venture.

In the meantime, the company is actively discussing and negotiating with the Government some of the final details in respect of the engineering matters, which are considerable. These include a study of the future town policy; in other words, whether there will be a separate town for the Cape Lambert employees of Cleveland Cliffs or whether it will be possible for them to commute and join in the development of the town of Karratha.

This and other matters, such as power, water, and the associated port and harbour developments are all being actively negotiated and studied by our own engineers together with the Cliffs people, pending final arrangements in respect of capital and partners.

## DEEP SEWERAGE

*Throssell Street, Northam*

7. Mr. McIVER asked the Minister for Works:

Does the Public Works Department still intend to commence deep sewerage in Throssell Street, Northam this month as previously advised by the Minister? If not, when will this work commence?

Mr. ROSS HUTCHINSON replied:

In reply to the member for Northam, I advise that the answer is "Yes" and that work will commence next week, in all probability on the 25th June.

## OUTDOOR SIGNS

*Report by Mr. P. Brown*

8. Mr. BERTRAM asked the Minister for Railways:

Reference to his answer to my question of the 1st May, 1969, in which he stated *inter alia*, that he expected the final report of Mr. Brown would be submitted

to him in the near future and that Mr. P. Brown had been paid from the 11th March, 1968 to the 11th February, 1969 at the rate of \$583.33 per calendar month—

- (1) How many interim reports have been received from Mr. Brown and on what date, or dates, were they received?
- (2) Has Mr. Brown been paid any money since the 1st May, 1969. If "Yes," how much. If "No," why not?
- (3) When was the final report due to be submitted?
- (4) Has the final report been submitted by Mr. Brown?
- (5) Did Mr. Brown leave Western Australia before final performance of his contract? If "Yes," why did he do so, and did he do so with the prior knowledge and approval of the Minister or his department?

Mr. O'CONNOR replied:

- (1) Mr. Brown submitted interim reports on the 31st May, 1968 and the 31st July, 1968 in addition to which regular consultations were held with him by me or departmental officers during the course of his inquiries.
- (2) No. Balance of moneys due will be paid on receipt of his final report.
- (3) The 11th March, 1969.
- (4) No. Recent advice from Mr. Brown indicates that his report is completed and is being printed for despatch to the Government.

We have been advised of this, by way of letter from Mr. Brown, within the past few weeks.

- (5) Yes. He was unable to complete his report in the time specified and as he was unable to obtain an alternative later booking to return to England by sea, after consultation with me, he returned on his original booking on the understanding that he would complete his report and submit it to me as soon as possible after his arrival in England.

## ROAD-RAIL BUS

*Suitability for Western Australia*

9. Mr. FLETCHER asked the Minister for Railways:

(1) Is he aware—

- (a) of the existence of a bus which can travel on rail or road (See May 1969 Network);

(b) that this type of vehicle is to go into service with the New South Wales Railways soon?

- (2) As there must be localities where the rail-road bus can run to the end of a line, and proceed further by road, is he giving consideration to its use by this, or any other, respect in this State?

Mr. O'CONNOR replied:

- (1) Yes, we have kept closely in touch with the original designers, Fairmont Motors Incorporated in the U.S.A., and with experimental operation in the City of Philadelphia. In addition, the Director-General of Transport inspected the New South Wales unit twice during its construction in Adelaide.
- (2) We will maintain a watch on both the New South Wales and United

States experiments. Unfortunately, due to centre of gravity problems and the width between the bus wheels which provide motive power and braking during rail running, it is not possible to operate them on 3ft. 6in. gauge railway lines. Our original interest stems from the thought that they might be very useful for urban transportation.

**ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE:  
SPECIAL**

**MR. NALDER** (Katanning—Acting Premier) [11.48 a.m.]: I move—

That the House at its rising adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker.

Question put and passed.

*House adjourned at 11.49 a.m.*

