

U.S. ABM Safeguard System

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Newfoundland, \$40,000.; the agreement to establish Gros Morne National Park the funds indicated in the estimates, for the next five years, have been allocated for: upgrading the existing highway (No. 73) to National Park standards from the proposed Park boundary (3 miles north of Wilton Dale) to St. Paul's plus about 4 miles from Cow Head to proposed north Park boundary. (Total distance of about 49 miles.) Additionally to construct about 20 miles of internal Park access roads to service Park facilities.

2. The sum indicated is for engineering surveys and design of the existing highway to National Park standards within the proposed boundaries of the Park.

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN**APPOINTMENTS OF WOMEN TO CERTAIN POSITIONS****Question No. 317—Mr. Forrestall:**

1. In the period commencing April 23, 1968 and ending July 25, 1969, how many women have been appointed to a position or otherwise employed, other than under the provisions of section 8 and 9 of the Public Service Employment Act, by the government under conditions of remuneration equivalent to a salary of \$10,000 or more per year.

2. Who are they?

3. By whom were they employed and what was the rank of their position?

4. How many men were appointed or otherwise employed under the same conditions during the same period of time?

Return tabled.

Mr. Carter: Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the House Leader can tell me when I may expect an answer to question No. 516, dated November 20. It is the second time I ask for an answer to that question.

Mr. Forest: We will make inquiries, Mr. Speaker.

MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 26**EXTERNAL AFFAIRS****EXPANSION OF U.S. ABM SAFEGUARD SYSTEM
—NUCLEAR TESTING AND ARMAMENT
ESCALATION**

Mr. T. C. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave, seconded

[Mr. Marshall.]

by the hon. member for York South (Mr. Lewis), to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 26 for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the announcement by the United States Secretary of Defence yesterday regarding the expansion of the ABM Safeguard system and the need for Parliament to consider the effects on the Canada-United States joint air defence NORAD program and more particularly, the nuclear testing on Amchitka Island, the increasing danger of continued escalation in nuclear armaments and the potential dangers to the people and environment in Canada.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands has given due notice under the provisions of Standing Order 26 of his intention to request leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing the very important matter stated by him. In the interim the Chair has given close and detailed study to the circumstances outlined in his notice.

• (2:20 p.m.)

As the hon. member is aware, the Chair is bound to review all attendant circumstances, and more particularly whether there will be an opportunity to discuss the matter during other proceedings of the House. I refer hon. members particularly to paragraph 5 of Standing Order 26 which reads in part as follows:

In determining whether a matter should have urgent consideration, Mr. Speaker, shall have regard ... to the probability of the matter being brought before the House within reasonable time by other means.

It seems to me that there will be a number of such opportunities in the very near future. I suggest, therefore, that the Chair cannot put the hon. member's motion at this time.

[Translation]

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call notices of motions Nos. 214, 228, 229, 305, 312, 330 and 347.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining notices of motions be allowed to stand.