

had the privilege and honour of heading the department of which he is now minister, this drug was brought to our attention as being highly dangerous and leaving dangerous effects.

• (2:50 p.m.)

The hallucinations it causes were of some attraction to certain people, but I thought we had it under control. I realize that in recent years illicit traffic has developed. The minister has mentioned that the R.C.M.P. are endeavouring to prohibit the smuggling of LSD into Canada, and I think the control of its production under one manufacturer does give complete control through all legal channels.

I appreciate that the minister is faced with a problem, but on hearing his statement I am happy to realize that his department is on top of the matter and is using all its energies to control the situation.

Mr. William Dean Howe (Hamilton South): Mr. Speaker, the minister's statement on LSD covers the fact that this is a problem, but so far as I can see does not outline specifically what can be done to solve what could be a rather serious difficulty.

What we are interested in are the methods to be used in controlling it. Food and drug regulations cover this to a certain extent by powers given to the minister in regard to its distribution and manufacture. The drug has a tremendous potential for medical research and should not be curbed in this respect. However, the real danger of this drug lies not in the control of its lawful manufacture and importation but the ease with which it can be made by amateurs and made available to younger people for the production of kicks. It is ignorance of this kind in younger people that produces the actual danger.

Therefore I feel the secret of control is in the education of all Canadians as to its uses, values and dangers, more particularly its dangers. Let us not wait until it is too late to do something, but let us do something now in a preventive way before we have to face a dire catastrophe.

VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING

PROVISION FOR ALLOWANCES TO PERSONS BEING TRAINED

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to

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consider the following resolution, which has been recommended to the house by His Excellency:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure respecting allowances to persons being trained under technical and vocational training programs, and to authorize the entering into agreements with the provinces in connection therewith; and to provide further for certain changes incidental thereto in connection with the administration of the Unemployment Insurance Act.

Motion agreed to.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Y.W.C.A. RESOLUTION RESPECTING RECREATION SPACE

Question No. 167—**Mr. McCleave:**

1. Has the government, or any department thereof, or the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, received Resolution 17, passed at the 22nd national convention of the Y.W.C.A. of Canada, concerning the need for adequate recreation space in many public housing developments?

2. If so, is consideration being given to the resolution and has any policy been formulated to implement the resolution?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

1. No.

2. See 1 above. However, in the development of multiple unit projects arrangements are made, where possible, for the provision of open areas with recreation facilities for the use of children. Public housing projects should not be expected to bear the costs of providing community recreational facilities. Such projects should be integrated with the neighbourhood and share municipal recreational and park facilities.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS

Question No. 824—**Mr. Forrestall:**

1. In each of the years 1960 to 1965, what were the number of accidents, province by province, involving trains, both freight and passenger, on (a) all C.P.R. lines (b) all C.N.R. lines?

2. What loss of life was incurred in each of these accidents?

3. What is the dollar cost for repairs to both trains and roadbeds resulting from these accidents and to other public and private property?

4. What was the cause of each accident?