

*Inquiries of the Ministry***ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY**PARTICIPATION WITH UNITED STATES IN STUDY ON
POSSIBLE YEAR-ROUND OPERATION

Mr. Robert McCleave (Halifax-East Hants): Mr. Speaker, my question takes us back to the great Canadian winter. It is to the Minister of Transport. Does the government plan to contribute to and participate in a proposed United States study on keeping the St. Lawrence Seaway open the year round, and has a request been made in that connection by the United States government?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, as far as I am aware no official request has been received, but we have been participants in some of these studies and most recently some of our officials attended the last seminar or forum that was held on this matter.

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DRUGSREQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON LE DAIN COMMISSION
RECOMMENDATION RESPECTING HEROIN—INQUIRY AS
TO FINAL REPORT

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct my question to the Minister of Health and Welfare. When will he be making a statement about the recommendation in the treatment portion of the Le Dain report to give a semi-legal status to heroin, and when does he expect the final report to be available?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, with respect to the first part of the hon. member's question—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Hees: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I must point out to hon. members that there are less than ten minutes remaining before the end of the question period. I will not charge to the question period the last minute or so when hon. members appeared to be enjoying themselves. I hope the question of privilege will be short.

Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings): Mr. Speaker, I got the usual type of answer from the government this afternoon. The minister has just told me that they are now making plans for the Trent Valley park. Nobody in the area knows about these plans. Nobody has been consulted. The government is obviously doing nothing.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Hees: It is just an election promise which means nothing whatsoever.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Chrétien: Go to your riding.

Mr. Munro: If I may conclude my answer, Mr. Speaker, I hope to clean up and make a statement to the House shortly on those aspects of the Le Dain commission report

[Mr. Speaker.]

I have not already dealt with. As to the latter part of the hon. member's question, when he says final report I take it he is referring to the final report of the Le Dain commission. If that is the case, my information is that the chairman has indicated he will be presenting a further report on another component but the final report will not be ready until much later.

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MANPOWERLOCAL INITIATIVES PROGRAM—GRANT TO PROCESS
CHURCH OF THE FINAL JUDGMENT—REQUEST FOR
REVIEW OF SALVATION ARMY APPLICATION

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Trinity): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. Has the Prime Minister completed his investigation of the local initiatives program grant to the Process Church of the Final Judgment in Toronto? If so, is he in a position to inform the House with regard to his findings?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I did look into the matter, but I cannot add anything beyond what was said on a previous occasion in the House. The people involved in the project had the recommendation of a lot of serious people. The offices of the local initiatives program gave the grant in good faith to people who seemed to be engaged in doing some good work.

Mr. Hellyer: Will the Prime Minister also investigate or have reviewed the application of the Salvation Army in the hope that the request of this most worthy organization can be approved?

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Trudeau: Mr. Speaker, there are many, many worthy organizations which submitted requests and which had to be turned down. As the House knows, the government allocated \$150 million to these projects. Some 6,000 or 7,000 were accepted. Perhaps as many had to be turned down because of a lack of funds. We feel that the \$150 million is a good start. If the people approve of this program, we will study the results and perhaps consider in future parliaments a renewal of such a program.

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YOUTHPROVISION OF SUMMER EMPLOYMENT—CONSULTATION
WITH INDUSTRY AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS LEADING
TO INITIATION OF JOB-CREATING PROGRAMS

Mr. David MacDonald (Egmont): Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Secretary of State. It has to do with recent alarming reports that there will be some 100,000 more young people in the summer labour force this year, expanding the young labour force this summer to 1,300,000. In view of the inability of present government programs to meet this crushing job demand, can the minister inform the House whether there are ongoing consultations with industry and other levels of government in order that