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Mr. Lesage: But these are all replacements: these six 5-ton dump trucks at Banff are replacements. So far as I can see, they are all replacements at Banff.

Mr. Hodgson: I was wondering how many were cars. I hope you are not buying all these engineers new cars to ride around in.

Mr. Lesage: From what I can see here they are all replacements. There would be one or two exceptions but mainly they are replacements.

Mr. MacLean: I see that there is an amount of \$38,825 for new construction at Prince Edward Island park and that last year the amount was \$67,695, almost twice as much. I should like to know whether the item voted last year was actually spent or whether this is partly a revote. I should also like a breakdown of the proposed new construction for the year ahead.

Mr. Lesage: I can tell the hon. member now what the new construction will be. For the continuation of the development of camp grounds at Stanhope and Cavendish there is an amount of \$4,850; construction of laundry, shower and toilet building at Stanhope to service the camp ground—there are no facilities now-\$9,500; construction of refreshment booth at Cavendish, \$3,000; construction of kitchen shelters at Stanhope lane, Rustico and Cavendish, \$4,000, or a total of \$21,350.

Mr. MacLean: The total amount is \$38,825. Is there any provision for improvement of roads in the park this year?

Mr. Lesage: No, there is no provision for roads this year. Last year the proposed expenditure was \$67,695. Up to the 31st of December, which is the last figure I have, actual expenditures amounted to \$43,376. The largest item, roughly \$22,000, was for seal coating with asphalt and chips of the Dalvay-Stanhope road. The second largest was approximately \$16,000 for the construction of a garage at Dalvay for car and equipment.

Mr. Knight: I should like to ask the minister about Prince Albert national park. We call it Waskesiu. Is any new construction proposed there this year either in the form of roads or administration buildings?

Mr. Lesage: Yes. The items are as follows: Construction of a semi-detached staff residence, \$25,000; continuation of construction commenced in 1953 on trailer park in Waskesiu townsite, including the installation of power and water services, \$15,000; completion of camp ground development, \$5,000; continuation of program of reconstruction of

\$7,500; continuation of the program of replacement of street lights, \$8,000; continuation of logging and lumbering operations, \$12,000. Then there is a long list of items under \$5,000. Does the hon. member wish me to give those?

Mr. Knight: No.

Mr. Byrne: I find it rather disconcerting that the minister has given priority to the Lake Louise-Jasper highway. I am sure he still has in mind the very important link in the Banff highway from the boundary at Kingsgate in southern British Columbia. There is a section from Radium to Banff that has had the prime coat and requires the finishing surface. I hope the minister will keep that in mind. He also said that he felt that on the highway from Jasper to Lake Louise there was some of the greatest scenery in Canada. I am sure he will change his mind if he visits Yoho and Kootenay parks this summer. The facilities in both these parks are excellent. While there may be room for improvement, nevertheless the tourist attractions are first class. It is not necessary to build an indoor swimming pool in either of these parks. From May until October they are open, and in Kootenay park one can swim the year round. Certainly you can play outdoors from the early spring to the late fall. I think the minister should give first priority to the hard surfacing of the road from Radium at least to Eisenhower junction.

Mr. Lesage: I understand that is the Banff-Windermere road. Some work was done on it last year and it is under active consideration for some expenditure next year.

Mr. Harkness: I note that there is an item of \$452,000 for historic sites which is a considerable increase over the \$286,000 of last year. This is for the acquisition of property and buildings so that I presume the department intends to secure certain historic sites which they have not owned heretofore or to erect a greatly increased number of markers or monuments, or both. Can the minister tell us something about what this vote is intended to cover?

Mr. Lesage: May I just read quickly the main items that make up this figure? They are: construction of museum building at Baddeck, Nova Scotia, the house of Alexander Graham Bell, \$150,000; continuation of renovation and repairs to the Halifax citadel, \$100,000; continuation of restoration, construction and preservation work for the fortress at Louisbourg, Nova Scotia, \$5,000; repairs to the fortification walls at Quebec city, \$25,000; restoration and repairs to Duffire trails, approximately twenty miles, ferin terrace, Quebec city, \$56,000. We will

[Mr. Hodgson.]