

enough? Is justice delayed? Do you find people languishing in jail for too long? It is matters of this kind with which I am concerned.

Mr. LANG: I would be in favour of a little faster administration or a little more frequent court sessions, but I would also be in favour of a small court being set up in some of our town. I would certainly be in favour of fairly frequent, periodic visits from the courts. Sometimes many cases wait a long time to be dealt with, and I certainly think that is not a very good thing.

Mr. NIELSEN: As the bill is now drafted Mr. Lang, there is provision for a separate judicial system for the eastern Arctic, with a separate superior court judge and separate police and magistrates' courts, separate territorial courts and the like. From your knowledge of the geography and the problems that confront the people of the whole of the Northwest Territories, would you say that justice would be well served by a single system, but expanded in order to meet the needs which may not be met at the moment, rather than by duplicating two systems?

Mr. LANG: I do not know whether I am really qualified to answer such a question because there may be things involved there that I am not quite able to judge. I would say a single system would probably be the best.

Mr. NIELSEN: I want to ask the same question with regard to the federal civil service in the north. At the moment of course in the Northwest Territories it is all federal. Is that correct?

Mr. LANG: Correct.

Mr. NIELSEN: Under the existing provisions of the bill it will be possible, and if the Glassco commission recommendations are accepted it will be done, to have two separate civil service systems set up in each of these territories. To my mind this is an inexcusable duplication, but I was wondering what your views were on the matter.

Mr. LANG: We have some civil service, that is the territorial civil service. For instance, we have the liquor system. I think that under the present system it will probably be desirable to have only one system, but I do not think we should evolve to it immediately. We would have to take over the civil service and then the education. We may be able to handle both but I think that at the present time we should not take it over.

Mr. NIELSEN: This is what the bill provides and what the Gospel recommends. You do not agree with that?

Mr. LANG: I agree with it but it will take a while to get it done. It will at least take a period of adjustment.

Mr. NIELSEN: To single out one specific example, the jurisdiction to legislate with regard to matters concerning education will be one of those subject matters which will fall within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Mackenzie council when this bill goes through. Similarly, there will be that same jurisdiction with regard to the new territory of Nunassiat. In your view, would it be in the best interests of the people of the territories and of Canada as a whole to have a single unified system of education in both the territories under a single department of education?

Mr. LANG: If we could afford it. I think there are differences between the east and the west and there may be slight changes in the education system that would be desirable. I think we would be further ahead if we had one system in the west and one system in the east. For instance, I do not believe in applying the Labrador system in the Northwest Territories as it does not seem to fit and I would prefer to have one special system for the west.

Mr. NIELSEN: I have more questions but I do not want to appear to be consuming all the time.