

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, September 28, 1964

The house met at 2.30 p.m.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

REMOVAL OF RAILWAY FACILITIES, TORONTO

Question No. 1,767—Mr. Ryan:

1. When will the railway sidings and rail loading facilities be removed from the area bounded by King street west on the north, Front street on the south, Simcoe street on the east and Spadina avenue on the west, in the city of Toronto?

2. What part or parts of the railway yards south of Front street, in the city of Toronto, between Yonge street and Bathurst street will be surplus to railway needs and be put up for sale?

Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows:

1. Concerning the area in Toronto bounded by King street west, Front street, Simcoe street, and Spadina avenue, now occupied by the Simcoe street freight shed facilities of the Canadian National, the question of whether these facilities will continue to be located in this block or will be relocated elsewhere is still under study. Relocation of the facilities now located in this block would permit removal of the present railway trackage there and make available the block for commercial redevelopment; however, whether this can be done would depend upon whether the shed facilities now sited there can be relocated elsewhere economically.

2. Concerning the area south of Front street between Yonge street and Bathurst street, now occupied for the most part by railway yards, the question of what alternative or supplementary uses of this property could be developed is at present under study by the three interested railways (Canadian National, Canadian Pacific and Toronto Terminals Railway Company). It is unlikely that portions of the area for which alternative or supplementary uses might be developed would be put up for sale, it being considered more likely that availability for such alternative or supplementary use would be through lease of the ground or aerial rights on a long term basis.

HEALTH GRANTS TO COMBAT ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ADDICTION

Question No. 1,833—Mr. Howe (Hamilton South):

1. In each of the last five years, what proportion of funds granted under the national health grants program went to combat (a) alcoholism (b) drug addiction?

2. What was the specific purpose of each grant?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. (a) 1961-62, \$2,095; 1962-63, \$5,983. (b) 1959-60, \$8,900; 1960-61, \$6,377; 1961-62, \$11,700; 1962-63, \$11,173; 1963-64, \$49,114.

2. (a) In 1961-62 a grant was made to the province of Ontario for a study by the Toronto psychiatric hospital of the mental effects of alcoholism.

In 1962-63 the abovementioned grant was continued and a grant was made to the province of Manitoba for a study, by the department of psychiatry of the University of Manitoba, of the relationship between alcoholism and tuberculosis.

(b) From 1959 to 1962-63 inclusive federal funds were provided for the support of a study of drugs with addiction liability, carried out at the St. Michel Archange hospital, Mastai, P.Q.

In 1961-62 a grant was made for the support of psychiatric and social work services of the narcotic addiction foundation of British Columbia.

In 1962-63 a grant was made to carry out an investigation under the direction of the department of pharmacology, University of Montreal, on the replacement of narcotic analgesics by the non-addiction inducing dimethylphenothiazines in man.

In 1963-64 a grant was made to assist in the establishment and operation of a narcotic addiction investigation unit operated by the alcoholism and drug addiction research foundation, Toronto.

FOREST ACCESS ROAD, BELLETERRE-LE DOMAINE, QUE.

Question No. 1,849—Mr. Martineau:

1. Has the province of Quebec applied to the federal government for a program under the provisions of the forest access act in the matter of construction of the highway joining Belleterre, Temiscamingue county and Le Domaine, Pontiac county?