

expenditure would not be great. This year the city of Vancouver is celebrating its golden jubilee, and it is most important that the work be done quickly. Has the minister made any provision for it?

Mr. CRERAR: My deputy tells me that there is no provision under this vote for the matter my hon. friend mentions, which I understand is now the subject of correspondence with the city authorities in Vancouver. I do not know just what amount would be involved in my hon. friend's proposal, but I am afraid I cannot hold out much hope that any very considerable expenditure may be made upon it under this vote.

Mr. GREEN: If the minister will confer with his colleague from Vancouver Centre (Mr. Mackenzie) he will find that this is really a project that should be undertaken promptly. The amount involved would not be very large. I suggest that the department ascertain by wire what the cost would be, and the work might then be done within the next few weeks. The jubilee celebration opens on the first of July, and right in the city of Vancouver across from the Seaforth armoury you have this big Indian reserve. It is an eyesore and should have been cleaned up long ago. Certainly now is the time to do it; and I would ask the minister to look into the matter within the next few days and try to have the reserve cleaned up certainly before the end of June.

Mr. CRERAR: I shall be very glad to look into it, but I would point out that we receive requests in very large numbers for work of one kind and another—schools, roads, hospitals and everything else associated with the Indian department—and we have only a certain amount of money to spend. We try to spend it where in our judgment it can most usefully be spent. I shall, however, consider the request made by my hon. friend, and if we can find a little cash out of this vote with which to make the beautiful city of Vancouver a little more attractive to the countless numbers who will probably visit its jubilee celebration, we shall be glad to do so.

Mr. GREEN: I do not suppose a similar situation exists anywhere else in Canada. It is really ridiculous. There you have an Indian reserve in the centre of the third largest city of the country, and certainly it should be kept in proper condition.

Item agreed to.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Projects Already Undertaken

National parks—

Administration building at Banff, Alta., \$38,000.

Other buildings—construction and repairs, \$115,500.

Landing fields—construction, \$5,000.

Municipal services—construction, improvements and extensions, \$27,500.

Recreational areas—extensions and improvements, \$9,200.

Roads—construction and repairs, \$109,000.

Townsite development—Kootenay park, \$2,500.

Engineering supervision and general, \$12,500.

Relief—permanent residents of the parks, \$102,000.

Relief—single homeless men, \$50,000.

Mr. BENNETT: My information is that the last item of \$50,000, for the relief of single homeless men, has all been spent, and that the \$102,000 for relief of permanent residents of the parks was spent when the winter was over. The money for engineering supervision is nearly all spent, and the amount for road construction and repairs was largely expended last fall. I know that the administration building at Banff is practically completed, as well as other buildings and parks throughout the country that were under contract. I think most of them have been completed. How much of this item of \$471,200 is unexpended? I should be surprised if there was much of it left.

Mr. CRERAR: This covers projects already undertaken under the Public Works Construction Acts.

Mr. BENNETT: I know; that is what I am talking about.

Mr. CRERAR: These are the amounts required to meet the expenditures as from the first of April.

Mr. BENNETT: I am afraid, Mr. Chairman, that is hardly the fact.

Mr. CRERAR: That is the information my officers give me.

Mr. BENNETT: I think they had better look at it again. For instance, take the last two items, \$102,000 for relief, permanent residents of the parks, and \$50,000 for relief, single homeless men. There was an order in council that appropriated a certain amount of the money under the Public Works Construction Act to the Department of the Interior for these two purposes, and that money was expended during the winter. These are projects that are already undertaken. I want to know how much of this money is