

Mr. TEILLET: Yes.

Mr. McINTOSH: And, to the War Veterans Allowance Act?

Mr. TEILLET: Yes.

Mr. McINTOSH: And, increases in pension?

Mr. TEILLET: I wish you would put that question in a different way so that I could answer it in the affirmative.

Mr. McINTOSH: All right, amendments?

Mr. TEILLET: Yes.

Mr. HERRIDGE: And, other legislation?

Mr. TEILLET: Yes. I hope, Mr. McIntosh, you appreciate that I am trying to be as helpful as I can, and I do hope that this gives you the answers you wanted.

Mr. McINTOSH: I hope you feel we are trying to be helpful too.

Mr. TEILLET: I am sure you are and I accept it.

Mr. CHATTERTON: Could you say, Mr. Teillet, when the 1963-64 annual report will be submitted?

Mr. TEILLET: I understand it is now at the printers but it may be some time in November before we receive it.

Mr. CHATTERTON: It would be helpful in this discussion of the estimates.

Mr. TEILLET: I am afraid it will not be available at least until some time later in November, but it is not at the printers.

The CHAIRMAN: Are there any more questions, gentlemen?

Mr. McINTOSH: We have some but I do not think we will get an answer to them.

Mr. TEILLET: Well, give it a try.

Mr. CHATTERTON: Is the minister not proposing to make a statement with regard to the treatment services?

Mr. TEILLET: Yes, perhaps I overlooked that. The situation, as I explained when I made the statement to the house last March and I think during the consideration of one of the supply motions later on, is as I have indicated. It is difficult to make an over-all statement that would apply to all our hospitals across the country because there are really no two alike. As you are aware, we had hoped to conclude arrangements with the provincial authorities of Alberta vis-à-vis the Colonel Belcher hospital. For some reason which I do not understand this has not taken place, which leaves us with a problem with this hospital with which we have to cope in some other manner.

In the case of Edmonton we have entered into an agreement with the province of Alberta to transfer the government house to the province because they wish to use it for a centennial project.

Near the University of Alberta there will be constructed a 150 bed domiciliary care institution which will be turned over to us for our veterans who are now occupying the Wells pavilion. The construction should begin very shortly so that that transfer will take place probably some time in the latter part of the next year, but this building which will be built by the province of Alberta with some financial assistance from the department will then be turned over to our department for our use as long as we have need of it. Therefore, there is no change in the operational control of domiciliary care and domestic type care of the veteran patient.

The other change that has occurred is the change in the Ridgewood health centre in New Brunswick where we are making an arrangement with the compensation board of that province for them to operate this and give us use of enough space so as to improve our rehabilitation facilities in that area.