

Inquiries of the Ministry

satisfied with the agreement. This will provide a water supply in addition to the normal withdrawal from Edwards Lake which we are not disturbing at all. The rights for withdrawal from Moon Lake will be written to coincide with the date of termination of the Edwards Lake agreement, which means March 31, 1980.

Mr. Forbes: I should like to thank the Minister for finally getting around to completing this agreement.

NATIONAL DEFENCE**HALIFAX—ACCEPTANCE OF CIVILIAN WORK BY NAVY DIVERS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (Queens-Lunenburg): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of National Defence. There are reports in the Halifax area that many of the 70 Royal Canadian Navy divers in that area are moonlighting, using navy equipment and taking thousands of dollars worth of work from civilian divers. Has the Minister issued any orders prohibiting this practice, and does he contemplate taking any action prohibiting this unfair competition for civilian divers?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, I have not seen the article in question, but I will take the question as notice.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS**INQUIRY AS TO REPORT ON RUN-THROUGHS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. N. Ormiston (Melville): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Labour. Could the Minister tell the House whether the hearings on the C.N.R. run-through problems are concluded, and when we might expect a report from Judge Freedman?

Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to take that question as notice and give the hon. Member an answer early next week.

RESEARCH**INABILITY OF MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL TO MEET REQUESTS FOR GRANTS**

On the orders of the day:

[Translation]

Mr. Guy Marcoux (Quebec-Montmorency): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question [Mr. Laing.]

to the Minister of Industry, but first of all, I am pleased to announce that the dean of the faculty of medicine of Quebec's Laval university is sitting in the gallery.

In connection with the reply he gave yesterday to the question asked by the hon. member for Winnipeg North concerning the Medical Research Council, is the minister aware that Dr. Frank Forward, director of scientific research with the privy council, stated recently that research funds are sufficient in Canada? If so, could he tell us whether such attitude reflects the new policy of the government in that respect?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Mr. Speaker, I have not read Dr. Forward's statement which the hon. member referred to. I can say that the government feels that the total amount spent on research in Canada is not enough, especially in industry. I think, however, that the amounts allocated for research by the government for the current year are taken into very serious consideration and I feel they are quite sufficient for what we aim to achieve. We are always looking for ways to increase the amounts allocated for industrial research by organizations other than the government.

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Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North): Mr. Speaker, as a supplementary question I would like to ask whether the Minister has had an opportunity to look into the question I raised yesterday about the serious shortage of funds for Dr. Selye at the University of Montreal; and has he any comment, since he is the Minister directly concerned, on the suggestion made by Dr. Lehmann, of the Verdun Protestant Hospital in his own city, about the fact that psychiatric research in Canada is being starved to death?

Mr. Drury: Mr. Speaker, I have not yet had an opportunity to secure an answer in respect of Dr. Selye and I have not seen the remarks made by the Director of the Verdun Protestant Hospital, but will look into the question.

PUBLIC WORKS**FRASER RIVER—INQUIRY AS TO TRIFURCATION PROJECT**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Barry Mather (New Westminster): Mr. Speaker, I have a question I want to ask the Minister of Public Works. Among the reports from B.C. this morning one has reached me to the effect that the multi-million dollar