

Railway Conciliation Board Appointed

Mr. Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Up to the present time?

Mr. Sauvé: To my knowledge up to the present time. There might have been some correspondence between the provincial department and officers of my department that has not reached my desk, and if there is anything contrary to what I have said I shall inform the hon. member.

Mr. Barnett: Is there any bulletin or document which gives details of the various items covered by agreements with the provinces, and indicates the amounts being spent in each of the provinces?

Mr. Sauvé: This can be found in the annual report of the Department of Forestry, which gives in detail what has been done in each province.

Mr. Barnett: The annual report usually refers to the program that has ended, rather than the program that is ahead. Is there any substantial variation in the program for the current year? I notice the expenditure is the same, but I wonder has there been any change in emphasis?

Mr. Sauvé: I cannot say because we have to wait for requests from the provinces. There are five different subjects covered by these agreements and the provinces have a choice. They might spend all the money under one heading or under all five headings. We do not know in advance. I could not give the projects for 1966-67 until the year is ended and that is why I referred the hon. member to the annual report. I could only specify the requests received so far.

Mr. Barnett: Could the minister provide the details when all the requests have been received, and table them in the house?

Mr. Sauvé: I think so.

Item agreed to.

Rural Development—

30. Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act program and Maritime Marshland Rehabilitation Act program—construction or acquisition of buildings, works, land and equipment including authority to make recoverable advances in amounts not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of the share of the province of New Brunswick of the cost of the Petitcodiac river dam project, \$848,900.

Mr. Knowles: Does this mean that item 25 is being referred to the committee on agriculture?

Mr. Sauvé: No, we are not referring any items of the forestry estimates to the committee this year, as I told the hon. member for Comox-Alberni, but we might be doing so next year.

• (5:00 p.m.)

Mr. Knowles: Mr. Chairman, I admit that it was in the midst of some confusion, but last Tuesday the question was asked by the hon. member for Timiskaming and the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre, as to whether items relating to ARDA could be referred to the standing committee on agriculture, forestry and rural development. The minister did not agree that this would be done, but said that it would be considered.

Mr. Sauvé: We had a debate for three days on the ARDA program in respect of Bill No. C-151. I believe the opinion of the house would be that we had a serious investigation of the ARDA program in this house for three days and that it might not be necessary for these estimates to be referred to the committee.

Item agreed to.

The Chairman: This completes the main estimates of the Department of Forestry.

Mr. Favreau: Mr. Chairman, could we have unanimous agreement of the house to carry on with the estimates? Two of the ministers are here at present, the Postmaster General and the Minister of Labour. These ministers are ready to carry on with their estimates. I think this procedure would do much to expedite the business of the house.

Mr. Rapp: Mr. Chairman, a number of our members would like to speak on the estimates of the Department of Labour. They took it for granted that these estimates would not be taken up today.

Resolutions adopted in committee of supply this day reported and concurred in.

LABOUR RELATIONS

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—APPOINTMENT OF CONCILIATION BOARD

Hon. J. R. Nicholson (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, may I revert to motions?

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Does the house give unanimous consent to the minister to revert to motions?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.