

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

3. What matters have been investigated as provided for under section 10 of the act?

4. Are reports available concerning the findings of such investigations?

5. What recommendations has the council made to the minister with regard to the promotion of physical fitness, and what action has been taken on these recommendations?

## PUBLIC SERVICE—TRAVELLING AND MOVING EXPENSES

**Mr. Balcer:**

What was the total amount of travelling and removal expenses paid by the federal treasury in (a) the year 1948; (b) the year 1949?

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN NEWFOUNDLAND

**Mr. Higgins:**

How many persons are employed in the federal services in Newfoundland, from (a) the province of Newfoundland; (b) other provinces?

## FREIGHT ASSISTANCE ON WESTERN FEED GRAINS

**Mr. Ross (Souris):**

1. Is freight assistance on western feed grains granted in Canada beyond Fort William, Ontario, or Vancouver, British Columbia?

2. If so, where to?

3. Are milling companies or feed companies permitted freight assistance or drawback on freight on oats or coarse grains purchased or handled by them?

4. If so, what companies during 1948 and 1949 obtained freight assistance or drawback on coarse grains, and what amounts?

## MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

## DENIAL OF THE USE OF MAILS

**Mr. Knowles:**

For a return showing the names and addresses of all persons, associations or companies in Canada denied the use of the mails at the present time, and showing also the reason and the authority for such denial in each case.

For a return showing the names and addresses of all companies or associations in Canada who are denied the use of the mails at the present time by virtue of any order or decision made since December 1, 1949, and showing also the reason and the authority for such denial in each case.

May I point out that these two motions, which on today's order paper are numbered 1 and 5, are similar. I have made certain changes in the first one, and I should like to ask that it be dropped in favour of the second. While I am on my feet I might add that the Acting Postmaster General has asked me to allow the second one to stand for today.

## NAKUSP—EDGEWOOD, B. C., MAIL SERVICE

**Mr. Herridge:**

For a copy of all correspondence, telegrams, contracts, and other documents exchanged between the Post Office Department, its officials, and any other parties in regard to the present mail contract governing delivery of mail between Nakusp and Edgewood.

## PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE—DAMMING OF BEAUVAIS LAKE, ALTA.

**Mr. Hansell:**

For a copy of all correspondence and other documents exchanged during the past ten years between the dominion government, any minister, department, branch or official thereof, and any person or persons, together with inspector's reports and contracts, in connection with any proposed P.F.R.A. scheme for damming the Beauvais lake near Pincher Creek, Alberta, at any point.

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

## INQUIRY AS TO FURTHER LEGISLATION

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. George A. Drew (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, on April 17 the hon. member for Peel (Mr. Graydon) directed a question to the Prime Minister in regard to any legislation not now indicated but which might be coming before the house this session. At that time the Prime Minister said he would consult his colleagues and be in a position to inform the house as to new legislation which might be expected. Can he now do so?

**Right Hon. L. S. St. Laurent (Prime Minister):** I immediately took the matter up with several departments. We spent some considerable time yesterday discussing the replies that had been received from departments. The discussion was not completed yesterday, but we hope to complete it tomorrow.

## DOUKHOBORS

## HOUSING OF CHILDREN AT PATRICIA BAY AIRPORT

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. G. R. Pearkes (Nanaimo):** I should like to ask a question of the Minister of Transport. Has the minister authorized the use of certain buildings at Patricia Bay airport for the accommodation of Doukhobor children and families? If so, how many Doukhobors are being sent there, and what arrangements have been made for their accommodation and the security of public buildings?

**Hon. Lionel Chevrier (Minister of Transport):** The answer to the question is yes. The buildings at Patricia Bay airport are the property of the Royal Canadian Air Force, but the Department of Transport are the custodians. Recently representations were made to the department by officials of the department of health and welfare of the government of British Columbia indicating to us that they would require the buildings, for the purpose of housing some 300 to 350 children, and asking if we would place the