

comment of the minister was that the keeper there had been ill for some time and that that resulted in the light not being maintained efficiently and that a new keeper had been appointed and they expected an improvement in it.

Mr. BALDWIN: I will obtain the information on these questions at the next meeting.

Mr. HOWARD: Another suggestion of the cooperative had to do with the Tugwell reef buoy. The suggestion was that that be replaced by a new gas and whistle buoy. I would also like some information on that. I did not catch all of the references made by Mr. Baldwin earlier because I was expecting to check them in the Hansard proceedings of the committee; but he may have mentioned this one. They made a suggestion for a fog-horn at Esperanza point and, while they were not too clear, they suggested various aids in a channel used by fishermen between Banfield and Ucluelet.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Baldwin will try to have those answers for you at the next meeting.

Mr. BALDWIN (*Peace River*): I heard the minister refer to the Northern Transportation Company. Is that the company which operates along the Mackenzie river?

Mr. BALDWIN: Yes.

Mr. BALDWIN (*Peace River*): Would the words "aids to navigation" be wide enough to include the question of the difficulties along the Athabaska river?

Mr. BALDWIN: We have a major program of improvement there and on the Mackenzie river. Our problem has been both a lack of staff and equipment. It was only a little over a year ago that we were authorized to establish a marine sub-agency at Fort Smith. We have now under construction two new small vessels to operate on the Mackenzie river for that purpose.

Mr. BALDWIN (*Peace River*): Would that include navigation right down to McMurray?

Mr. BALDWIN: Yes.

Mr. BALDWIN (*Peace River*): I ask these questions, Mr. Chairman, because I thought that Mr. Bigg might be interested in this.

Items 420, 423, 630 and 631 agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN: We will adjourn to meet on July 1 in Room 118 at 10.00 o'clock.