

The federal cabinet minister and M.P.'s from Vancouver should demand an inquiry into C.B.C. plans here before it is too late for C.B.C. to cooperate with city planning.

My question is this, Mr. Chairman: before they do proceed to build on that site, would they reconsider and deal with the city planning?

Mr. RICHARDSON: I see no objection, Mr. Taylor, to having further discussions with the city, if it is desirable, so we can look at all the cost factors of various sites.

Mr. TAYLOR: Perhaps it might be tied in somewhat with our centennial plans, or something like that.

It is my understanding when studios are being planned in the United States, in Great Britain and elsewhere, that they build outside the city and they build horizontally instead of vertically. They do this because they are carrying props, equipment, film and cameras. Now it would appear that if you build in downtown Vancouver you would build vertically instead of on a studio set-up.

Mr. RICHARDSON: No, we would build the television studios particularly, because they are the ones that have to have high ceilings, on a horizontal basis.

Mr. TAYLOR: I think Mr. Pratt may have a question on this point.

Mr. PRATT: Mr. Chairman, I asked a question earlier which Mr. Gilmore answered. I understand the feeling to be that where possible the horizontal factors will be used rather than the vertical.

Mr. RICHARDSON: Right.

The CHAIRMAN: Bon voyage, Mr. Taylor. Gentlemen, are there any further questions in connection with this?

Mr. JOHNSON (*Chambly-Rouville*): Mr. Chairman, could we carry on from where we adjourned?

The CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

Mr. JOHNSON (*Chambly-Rouville*): I was asking about extras in connection with the T.V. extensions on the Radio Canada building in Montreal. I would like to ask Mr. Richardson if the extras were agreed to by C.B.C. before the works were performed, or were they only built by the contractors after the job was done?

Mr. RICHARDSON: They were all accepted by the corporation before the contractor made any change in the construction; in other words, we use a system whereby if a change is required it has to be accepted by both the contractor and the C.B.C., whichever one originates it.

Mr. JOHNSON (*Chambly-Rouville*): I do not see here the breakdown of the price of the land for this building. Was part of the land on which the building was built purchased for the construction?

The CHAIRMAN: Do you have that information Mr. Richardson?

Mr. RICHARDSON: I think it was purchased at the same time as the Radio Canada building. This was built on the site where the annex, the offices of the hotel were, and that had been purchased at the time.

Mr. JOHNSON (*Chambly-Rouville*): It was already purchased?

Mr. RICHARDSON: Yes. It was part of the hotel site, as I recall it.

Mr. JOHNSON (*Chambly-Rouville*): The land where the extension was built recently was also part of the site.

Mr. RICHARDSON: Yes, part of it, but not all was part of the hotel property, and we used the old houses a year or two as offices.