

Inquiries of the Ministry

Hon. Michael Starr (Ontario): I might preface my question by saying that the Minister of National Health and Welfare sounded to me as if she were a school teacher talking to us about this subject. Can she not say, in view of the meeting which is to be held with the provinces next week, that immediately following this meeting, say, two weeks from now, the white paper will be produced?

Miss LaMarsh: If I did that and we found that some point not previously explored was the subject of disagreement and necessitated a delay of a few days while it was being clarified, the hon. member would be one of the first to stand up and say that I had misled the house.

I am sure we are all anxious to see the final plan and anxious to get on with it and I would ask all members who are interested in the advancement of this legislation and not in shabby politics to wait for a few days until we can bring it before the house. It will be done as quickly as possible.

Mr. Starr: Surely the minister can say that if, during this meeting, the provinces agree on these things the white paper will be produced shortly afterwards.

Miss LaMarsh: I do not see any reason why it should not be.

Hon. J. W. Monteith (Perth): A supplementary question in connection with a remark the minister made. Does she recall her shabby politics on July 18 last on the first presentation of this report?

Miss LaMarsh: Who? Me?

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Can the minister say whether or not representatives of the Yukon and the Northwest Territories will be asked to express their points of view at this important meeting next week and, if so, who will be attending on their behalf?

Miss LaMarsh: I am afraid the hon. member has me, there. I cannot answer. I will be happy to find out and tell him next week.

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VANCOUVER—POSSIBLE USE OF FORMER R.C.A.F. BASE

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Minister of Industry in connection with the Kitsilano

[Miss LaMarsh.]

property in Vancouver. Has he anything to report, and has he been advised the matter is receiving consideration from the city of Vancouver, with respect to a bylaw to be placed before the ratepayers, to approve an expenditure of up to \$1 million for the acquisition of an adequate site for the C.B.C. other than the Kitsilano site?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): No, Mr. Speaker, I was not aware of this particular bit of news. I did, however, communicate with the city of Vancouver to assure them that we would not take a decision within the time period—the delay they had asked for—and I invited them to make their proposals in this regard to Ottawa.

Mr. Diefenbaker: I suggested the other day a period of 60 days. Is that the period within which the government intends to hold back its decision so that this matter may be amicably settled to the advantage of the people of the city of Vancouver?

Mr. Drury: We would hope it might be possible to resolve this question rather more rapidly than in two months.

Mr. Diefenbaker: What was the period the minister had in mind when he mentioned the period asked for by Vancouver?

Mr. Drury: Sixty days.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh.

INQUIRY AS TO SHOWING OF FILM ON HEALTH MINISTER

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, perhaps in view of the mood in which the Minister of National Health and Welfare is addressing the house I might ask her a question based on a report by Victor Mackie in Wednesday's issue of the *Winnipeg Free Press*. Can she tell us if she knows when the C.B.C. is going to show the film which I understand has been taken of her and which is to be shown in a series to be known as "The single woman"? If she knows the date when this film is going to be shown, perhaps she would tell us, because we would not want to miss it.

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I am sorry, but I cannot tell my hon. friend—although I should be happy if it never saw the light of day.