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provinces; one on the basis of hospital construction grants and the other in other health grants. I notice that the province of Saskatchewan is third highest in the dominion with regard to hospital construction grants. Is that still on the basis of \$2,000?

Mr. Martin: One thousand dollars and \$1,500.

Mr. Castleden: What is the \$1,500?

Mr. Martin: For chronic cases.

Mr. Castleden: What is the basis of the grants given to the provinces under "other health grants"? Does that take in special work under mental health programs?

Mr. Martin: Grants for tuberculosis, cancer, professional training, hospital construction, crippled children, diagnostic services and so on.

Mr. Castleden: At one time it did include the grants made to the provinces on the basis of their physical fitness program?

Mr. Martin: No.

Mr. Castleden: Did the federal government ever assist in any way in that regard?

Mr. Martin: No.

Mr. Castleden: I was under the impression that the federal government did.

Mr. Martin: No, it was never part of this. That was welfare; this is health.

Mr. Castleden: Have there been any programs such as you have under "other health grants" that have been discontinued with regard to the province of Saskatchewan?

Mr. Martin: No.

Mr. Castleden: They are in full force?

Mr. Martin: They profit greatly from these grants.

Mr. Trainor: I should like to discuss briefly the question of the hospital construction grants. The minister is probably aware that these grants do not bear the same relation to the cost of construction today as they did when they were instituted, because hospital construction is considerably more expensive than it was then. I wonder if the minister or the government would give consideration to bringing these grants up to where they may bear the same relationship to the total cost of construction as when they were instituted.

Mr. Martin: These matters are under study.

Item agreed to.

[Mr. Castleden.]

Grants to health organizations—

266. Canadian mental health association, \$10,000.

Mr. Fulton: Within the very recent past the minister made a statement in connection with mental health which was of course gratifying to everyone interested in that particular subject and in research into that subject. I am not one of those who are usually amongst the foremost in asking for greater expenditures, but I notice that here—

Mr. Harris: I have been listening tonight.

Mr. Fulton: I have not said anything at all on this subject as yet. I am just leading up to something. The grant is the same as it was last year. I want to ask the minister if he can tell us what amount out of the general health grant is now being devoted to research on this subject.

Mr. Martin: Which subject?

Mr. Fulton: Mental health.

Mr. Martin: The mental health grant is a separate grant. It is the largest of all, \$7½ million.

Mr. Fulton: Pardon?

Mr. Martin: Seven and a quarter million dollars.

Mr. Fulton: Where is that found?

Mr. Martin: Item 265.

Mr. Fulton: It is part of item 265?

Mr. Martin: Yes.

Mr. Fulton: What I am asking is what part of that is allocated specifically to research in the field of mental health?

Mr. Martin: About half a million dollars is devoted to research in mental health. For instance, the Allan Memorial Institute in Montreal, the great mental research centre, will receive from us about \$100,000 this year.

Mr. Fulton: Where do we find the breakdown?

Mr. Martin: Pages 371 and 372.

Mr. Fulton: In the middle of page 371 I find the following:

Mental health grant to assist in an extended program for the prevention and treatment of mental illness, including rehabilitation and free treatment.

The minister tells me that represents—

Mr. Martin: About half a million dollars in direct research.

Mr. Fulton: That is allocated between what institutions?

Mr. Martin: The main one at the moment is Allan Memorial Institute in Montreal, which is the big research centre, the mental