

Plans Ready For New T.B. Hospital In City

By GORDON ROOT

VICTORIA—Plans for construction of a new 124-bed hospital on West Fifty-fourth avenue in Vancouver, have been completed and tenders will be called shortly, Acting Health Minister Kenney told the Legislature Wednesday.

The minister's statement followed criticism from both government and opposition benches of inability to get accommodation for tuberculosis patients, and the perennial complaint from Dr. J. J. Gillis (Coalition-Yale) that the sanatorium at Tranquille "being sabotaged" by the centralization of TB treatment in Vancouver.

Jay Gould (Coalition, Vancouver-Burrard) argued the Yale member was incorrect in that the treatment in Vancouver is confined to tuberculosis of the bone and other forms that require immediate attention as a part of the treatment, and weather conditions are not a factor.

Dr. Gillis was not prepared to accept Mr. Gould's statement that all cases of pulmonary tuberculosis are sent to Tranquille, reporting many such cases are handled in Vancouver.

Plan for expansion of facilities for tuberculosis treatment in Vancouver is extended to TB treatment services was injected into consideration of health and welfare department estimates by Sydney Smith (Coalition, Kamloops).

The Tranquille site, said Mr. Smith, has plenty available land, the basic services are already there and the sanatorium has its own dairy and beef cattle herds to supply the patients with milk and meat.

Kenney To Reconsider Removal Of T.B. Clinics

VICTORIA—Private members of the Legislature, writing from Acting Health Minister Kenney Wednesday a promise to reconsider the step.

The familiar cream-colored trucks, used for X-raying possible tuberculosis victims, have outlived their usefulness, Mr. Kenney reported, and are to be replaced April 1 by permanent X-ray equipment in 34 hospitals in the province.

CCF Flays Official's Pay Boost

VICTORIA—(CP)—Opposition Leader Harold Winch queried why the salary of Andrew Dickkley, executive director of the hospital insurance scheme, was being increased \$10 a month from \$410 to \$420.

Mr. Winch said that after sitting on a House committee which studied various phases of the hospital insurance scheme, he doubted if any increase to the executive director was justified.

Acting Health Minister Kenney explained the raise was automatic, and that slight increases are paid certain positions each year until a specified maximum is reached.

What People Are Saying

O. John Rogge, former U.S. assistant attorney general: "Vucoglaya impresses me as being the first heretic under communism. I am a heretic myself and like other heretics."

Gaston Eyakem, former Belgian premier: "It is practically impossible to form a government with sufficient parliamentary backing, and the political situation is extremely grave."

III Minister To Receive Full Indemnity

VICTORIA—The Legislature Wednesday approved a resolution granting full seasonal indemnity to ailing Health Minister Pearson.

Mr. Pearson suffered a heart attack early in the session and is now convalescing after spending a short period at hospital.

It is apparent he will not return to the House this session.

Anscomb To Present Nfld. Mace

VICTORIA—The ornate mace being manufactured at Henry Birks & Sons store in Vancouver will be presented to the Legislature of Newfoundland April 5 by Finance Minister Anscomb.

The mace is a gift from the people of B.C. to Canada's tenth province.

Mr. Anscomb said Premier Smallwood of Newfoundland has suggested April 5 as most suitable date for the presentation.

Radio Technicians Name Officers

VICTORIA—Victoria chapter of the Associated Radio Technicians of B.C. named Norman Tovey president at the annual election this week. Other officers are: Wilfred Wilson, vice-president; Allan Macey, secretary; George Ball, treasurer; Bob Langley, recording secretary.

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Sooke Concert

SOOKE—Three one-act comedies will be presented by the Sooke Community Association in the Community Hall Saturday at 8 p.m.

OTTAWA NO LONGER RESPONSIBLE B.C. To Pay For Japanese

VICTORIA—B.C. faces a bill of \$240,000 for care of Japanese indigents uprooted from the coast by the Federal Government during the war. This is almost double the amount paid last year.

Acting Health Minister Kenney explained Wednesday an agreement whereby the Federal Government paid half the cost expired this year.

During the war, Ottawa assumed responsibility for all Japanese, and ruled that none could trade west of a line running through Hope.

Only 6000 of 25,000 were left in B.C. The rest were spread over the remainder of Canada, mainly in Alberta and Ontario.

Among them were many incapacitated people and unemployables formerly cared for by relatives. Uprooted from family connections, they became a charge on the Dominion during the war.

After the war, Federal and Provincial governments agreed to share the cost 50-50. Under this arrangement, B.C. paid \$125,000 annually.

This year the province must assume the entire cost.

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Coke oven plant, Vancouver—rebuild 12 existing and construct 12 new ovens	523,000
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