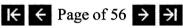


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Ceisteanna—Questions. Oral Answers. - Army Laundry Contracts.

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Mr. Hickey: (a) asked the Minister for Defence if he will state whether any and, if so, which Army laundry contracts hitherto held by commercial laundries have been placed with institutional laundries during each of the last three years and the number of such contracts now subsisting; whether a fair labour or a fair wages clause has been inserted in all contracts made with institutional laundries and whether he will state what steps are taken to ensure that the work contracted for is performed under trade union conditions and that trade union rates of wages are paid to the workers employed on such contracts.

Minister for Defence (Mr. Traynor):

(a) No Army laundry contracts previously held by commercial laundries were placed with institutional laundries during any of the last three years. For [11] the current year, that is for the 12 months which commenced on the 1st ultimo, contracts for Dublin district barracks and posts, including Baldonnel Aerodrome, and for Collins Barracks, Cork, which were previously held by commercial firms, have been placed with institutional laundries. As, however, these contracts contain a fair wages clause, I am having the matter reconsidered and will communicate further with the Deputy as soon as practicable.

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