

Inquiries of the Ministry

cars is the retractable seat belt rather than the one that simply lies across the seat. They have removed the device which caused the safety belt to retract. We are trying to determine whether this constitutes a reduction in its safety value.

appoint any such commission. I take it the hon. member has not read the answer to the question which was given a few days ago and which explains the situation rather fully.

AIR TRANSPORT

ENFORCEMENT OF NEW AUTOMOBILE SAFETY REGULATIONS

Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw): I have a question for the Minister of Transport, Mr. Speaker. Can the minister give some assurance to the House that the 30 regulations he indicated to the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications will be enforced when he proclaims them?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Yes, Mr. Speaker. Just to amplify what I said, as I am sure the hon. member knows the technical standards, which are very complex, are now being drawn. I have said the very outside figure is two months but I think they will be ready in six weeks. We will be publishing them as fast as we can and proclaiming the act simultaneously.

[Translation]

AGRICULTURE

DAIRYING—POSSIBLE AMENDMENT OF POLICY RESPECTING GRANTS

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of Agriculture.

Since the new dairy policy will compel some milk producers to sell their herd, is the minister in a position to tell us whether he will soon introduce a subsidy policy for each milch-cow sold for slaughtering purposes?

[English]

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): No, Mr. Speaker. We do not have any such policy under consideration at the present time.

PENITENTIARIES

INVESTIGATION OF SUICIDES

Mr. Rod Thomson (Battleford-Kindersley): I should like to direct a question to the Solicitor General, Mr. Speaker, who recently appointed a commission to investigate suicides in Canada's penitentiaries. When may we expect the report of this commission?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, the Solicitor General did not [Mr. Jamieson.]

UNLICENSED FLYING TRAINING OPERATIONS—EFFECT ON SAFETY

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): I have a question arising from one asked by the hon. member for Fraser Valley East two weeks ago today, Mr. Speaker, concerning the operation of unlicensed flying training schools. At that time the minister indicated that he would propose new regulations. Could he indicate to the House when they will be ready? Also, can the minister state whether subsequent investigations have revealed any cause for concern about safety in the air around our major airports as a result of unlicensed flying operations?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): On the second part of the question, Mr. Speaker, I do not believe there is any untoward or special danger. I have met with some groups, including the Air Transport Association. Without going into detail, which I am sure you would not permit, Mr. Speaker, it is quite a complicated job to ensure that the so-called bootlegging over licensed routes can be restrained. We are trying to find a simple formula, and I can only say that I hope to have it within a matter of weeks. I have been talking to the CTC about this matter as well.

Mr. Speaker: I believe the hon. member for Assiniboia has a supplementary to a previous question.

TRANSPORT

MOVEMENT OF GRAIN—APPOINTMENT OF CONTROLLER

Mr. A. B. Douglas (Assiniboia): Mr. Speaker, I have a related question to one previously asked of the Minister of Transport. Since it appears that the railways are falling far short of the agreed target of moving nearly 1,300 carloads of grain daily to Thunder Bay, is the minister now prepared to appoint a boxcar controller for western Canada?

Mr. Diefenbaker: We asked for that a year ago.

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, as I have indicated on many previous occasions in the House, my