

Questions

MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY—DEFECT INVESTIGATION

Question No. 1,795—**Mr. Mather:**

Is a motor vehicle safety investigation being made into alleged (Nader) defects of (a) Chevrolet—engine mounts in 1966-69 models (1969 models currently under NHTSA investigation) (b) Chevrolet Corvair—clutch cable in 1965-66 models (c) Pontiac, Chevrolet, Buick and Oldsmobile—Rochester quadrajet carburetors in 1966 models (d) Chevrolet Vega—dash panel flammability in 1971 model (e) GM full size model cars—power braking systems in 1967-70 models (f) Mercury Capri—engine fires in 1970 model (g) full size Ford—hood latch in 1970 model (h) Plymouth, Dodge and Chrysler—Brake Drum in 1967-71 models (i) Fireball Industries, "Castaway 18.5 Motorhome"—spare wheels size does not correspond with size of "running" wheels?

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): Department officials are investigating the alleged defects in 1966-69 model Chevrolet engine mounts. The size of the affected vehicle population in this country has been defined and officials are now examining service records in cooperation with General Motors of Canada as well as evaluating the performance of specific Canadian vehicles of this design.

With respect to the other alleged defects announced in the United States by Mr. Nader, the Department is attempting to obtain all available information from the United States Department of Transportation and Mr. Nader so that investigations of similar Canadian vehicles may be initiated.

PREPARATION AND PUBLISHING OF GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS

Question No. 1,816—**Mr. Fortin:**

1. Did the government publish the texts of all regulations promulgated since January 1970 and, if not, which texts were not published and for what reasons?

2. Were such texts drafted in French and in English and, if so, when did the government adopt this policy?

3. What are the names of the legal officers in charge of drafting the regulations promulgated by the government?

4. Are the legal officers bilingual and did they receive Common or Civil Law training?

Mr. J. A. Jerome (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): The Prime Minister's and Privy Council Offices and the Department of Justice advise as follows: 1. Yes, with the exception of those regulations exempt from publication, pursuant to section 9 of the Regulations Act, by Order in Council P.C. 1954-1787 of 18th November, 1954, which was published in Statutory Orders and Regulations Consolidation, 1955, Vol. 3 page 2676.

2. The texts of regulations as defined in the Regulations Act are required to be drafted in the French and English language. This policy was first established by Order in Council P.C. 5355 of 30th December, 1946, which was published in Statutory Orders and Regulations of January 8, 1947, page 2.

3. and 4. There are no legal officers particularly charged with the drafting of regulations promulgated by the Government. The drafting of regulations is part of the duties of every legal officer advising a department, board, commission or corporation that makes or recommends the making of regulations.

[Mr. MacEachen.]

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

Question No. 1,870—**Mr. Orlikow:**

1. Has corporal punishment been used in federal institutions in 1970 and, if so, how many times?

2. How many prisoners have received corporal punishment more than once?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Solicitor General): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.

STATISTICS ON CANADIAN AND INDIAN POPULATION

Question No. 1,879—**Mr. Orlikow:**

1. For the last year for which figures were available, what was the total *per capita* investment in housing?

2. In the same year, what was the total *per capita* investment for Indian housing from (a) the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development appropriations (b) band revenues (c) individual contributions?

3. What were the average salaries and wages (excluding military pay) for 1970 earned by Canada's labour force?

4. What was the average income of Canadian Indian families excluding general assistance and family allowances?

5. What was the average age of death for all Canadians, male and female, for the last year for which figures are available?

6. What was the average age of death for Canadian Indians, male and female, for the same year?

7. Of the total Canadian population, how many families live in houses of three rooms or less?

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Mr. J. A. Jerome (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by Statistics Canada and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development as follows: 1. The total "per capita" new investment in housing for the Canadian population was estimated at \$102 during the calendar year 1970.

2. (a) \$105.52; (b) 13.15; (c) 5.87.

3. Not available as asked. The total salaries and wages paid during 1970 divided by the average number of paid workers was \$6,522.15.

4. Accurate information relating to average income by families is not available. Data are being compiled and based on information obtained in a National Survey in 1969. Approximately 14,395 individuals were earning up to \$1,000; 9,133 individuals were earning up to 3,000; 3,159 individuals were earning up to 4,000; 6,530 individuals were earning over 4,000.

5. Average age of death for all Canadians in 1969 was: Males, 62.9 years; Females, 67.3 years.

6. Average age of death for Canadian Indians in 1969 was: Males, 38.6 years; Females, 42.1 years.

7. Distribution of families by number of rooms per dwelling is not available. However, 1961 Census data show that at that time in Canada there were 682,376 households living in dwelling units of three rooms or less.