

the parties involved have not been able to agree on a chairman, and the minister will have to accept his responsibility in this regard.

[Translation]

DOMINION-PROVINCIAL RELATIONS

QUEBEC—EXERCISE OF JURISDICTION OVER MANPOWER

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Maurice Allard (Sherbrooke): Mr. Speaker, I wish to put a question to the hon. Minister of Citizenship and Immigration.

Is the hon. minister acquainted with the statement made by Premier Jean Lesage to the effect that Quebec intends to exercise sole jurisdiction in manpower matters; is he willing to accept that stand in the formulation of his federal policy on manpower?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I have read, like everyone else, a press report and as the matter is most important I shall wait till I have seen the text of Mr. Lesage's statement before making any comment whatsoever.

Mr. Gilles Grégoire (Lapointe): Mr. Speaker, may I put a supplementary question to the hon. minister?

Can he tell us when he intends to study the statement made by the Quebec premier, and when he intends to make his comments on it?

Mr. Marchand: Mr. Speaker, as soon as I can get a hold of the text and have a chance to read it.

Mr. Grégoire: May I put a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker?

Mr. Speaker: Order. No. I believe the question the hon. member has just asked was possibly or probably out of order. I do not think it should have been allowed and I would ask the hon. member not to continue with that type of question.

[English]

HIGHWAY SAFETY

RECALL OF DEFECTIVE AND UNSAFE AUTOMOBILES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Reid Scott (Danforth): Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Minister of Industry relating to a subject on which he has been keeping the house informed from time to time. Has the minister

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any further information to give the house about the recall of defective Canadian cars in Canada?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Mr. Speaker, as I indicated the other day, the principal motor car manufacturers have been undertaking to recall all motor cars manufactured in Canada with defects, as they are doing in respect of those manufactured in the United States that have defects. If the hon. member would like a rather more detailed report I will be glad to see that one is provided to him.

AGRICULTURE

CHAROLAIS CATTLE—FREEDOM FROM DISEASE

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Michael Starr (Ontario): Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Minister of Agriculture based on a report that the Charolais cattle, which have been quarantined since last autumn, are to be released today to the respective owners across Canada, and that these cattle will be kept in quarantine for an additional 90 days by those owners. Is the minister absolutely certain that these cattle are free of foot-and-mouth disease and that this disease will not be spread to other cattle in Canada as a result of this action at this time?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, these cattle have been under close quarantine at Grosse Ile for the prescribed period of time. Out of the total of 113 head quarantined at Grosse Ile, 109 have been released. Of the others one died, two reacted to T.B. tests and one reacted unfavourably to foot-and-mouth disease testings, but did not have foot-and-mouth disease. These are very stringent tests in regard to this disease and a further period of observation is necessary merely to assure that these very stringent tests are repeated, in order that we may be satisfied that everything is in order.

Mr. Starr: I have a supplementary question. In view of the fact that these cattle will be quarantined by the owners, will there be any government supervision and tests made during that period of quarantine, and will the cattle be released when it is absolutely certain they do not have this disease?

Mr. Greene: That is the practice, Mr. Speaker.