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in existence. This raises a further question of whether it will come under—it will certainly come under the federal guidelines—the provincial programs. This is unlikely. In discussions with the provincial ministers they have said they prefer to exclude this because they realize it has been a compassionately administered program and they are quite happy to see it remain in the hands of CMHC. However, that will be finally confirmed when we meet with the housing ministers later this month.

**Miss MacDonald:** Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the minister could say at what level these are to be set?

**Mr. Danson:** Mr. Speaker, no specific level is set. The only increases allowed are those increases which are allowed because of actual costs. They are more tightly controlled than other rentals in return for the rental agreement which we have with the entrepreneur when the original arrangement is made which is renewed from time to time in order to make certain that it is checked up and current. The landlord can only raise his rent with the agreement of CMHC.

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**LABOUR CONDITIONS****LAY-OFFS BY CANADIAN PACIFIC AT WINNIPEG—REQUEST FOR REPORT OF INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE**

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Labour. Is the minister now able to make a report to the House on the work of the interdepartmental committee which he set up to deal with the serious situation created by lay-offs by the CPR at its shops in Winnipeg?

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of Labour):** Mr. Speaker, I believe further meetings took place today, the details of which I hope to have for the hon. member before the end of the question period. Perhaps I could fill him in on the details later on in the day.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, would the minister, either himself or through that committee, look at reports to the effect that the CNR is laying off some of its security personnel.

**Mr. Munro (Hamilton East):** Yes, Mr. Speaker, I will.

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**TRANSPORT****FREIGHT RATES—REQUEST FOR DISALLOWANCE OF INCREASE IN RATES ON CATTLE**

**Mr. R. E. McKinley (Huron-Middlesex):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport. It is further to some questions asked of him last Thursday I believe regarding a proposed increase in the cost of moving stocker calves from western Canada to Ontario. Has the minister had an opportunity to speak with the Canadian Transport Commission and can he say whether this proposed increased rate of 25 per cent which is to come into effect I believe later this week will be disallowed because it will

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represent in the year 1975 an over-all increase of about 71 per cent for single-deck cars and 87 per cent for double-deck cars which I am sure is beyond the government's guidelines.

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport):** Well, Mr. Speaker, I would hesitate to deal here very specifically with specific rates. Hon. members will be aware there was a freeze on certain rates and that therefore some more rapid than usual increases have taken place. We have already indicated to the CTC that we will expect them to play a role in making sure that the 95 per cent of margin rule is adhered to in the over-all rate setting, and we have been having further specific discussions about the question of how the guidelines are to apply, if at all, to specific rates as distinct from the 95 per cent margin rule.

**Mr. McKinley:** Mr. Speaker, further to the specific question of rates there is another problem which involves a lot of sick cattle reaching Ontario from the west caused by so many delays in respect of cattle left in cars on sidings. A specific example—and the minister asked for this in answer to one of the questions asked last week—would the CPR car No. 277642 which arrived in Toronto on Friday—at 4 p.m.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

**Mr. McKinley:** —and was not sent out to London until Sunday.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member for Vegreville.

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**AIRPORTS****MIRABEL—REQUEST FOR TABELING OF MATERIAL WHICH RESULTED IN LEASE TO SKY SHOPS**

**Mr. Don Mazankowski (Vegreville):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Minister of Transport. It is supplementary to the question of the hon. member for Central Nova. Last Friday the Minister of Transport indicated he would examine the material he had affecting the contracts for the Sky Shops at Mirabel, and would determine what might be the best possible technique to deal with the request of the hon. member that the bids be tabled in the House. I wonder whether the minister has had an opportunity to review this information, and whether he can advise the House what action he intends to take in that regard.

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, there should be no problem at all in the House having information with regard to the bids. The question was rather broader than that and I am not prepared to deal with it.

**Mr. Mazankowski:** Mr. Speaker, with regard to the specific question, the minister has had five days in which to review the contracts and calculations. Can he now advise the House how long we will have to wait until he will be in a position to present the information asked for by the hon. member for Central Nova.