

Oral Questions

answer to his own question. This is the exclusive responsibility of the provincial government of Ontario and I think this parliament has given a good example as to what could be done. We are waiting for the leadership of the government of Ontario in that respect.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

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[*Translation*]

AIRPORTS**STE SCHOLASTIQUE—POSSIBLE RE-OPENING OF EXPROPRIATION CASES**

Mr. Claude Wagner (Saint-Hyacinthe): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Transport.

In view of the displeasure expressed by many of the Sainte-Scholastique expropriated people whose spokesmen are here today in the house, does the Minister intend to re-open the Ste Scholastique file to review the apparently justified claims of the people expropriated, especially in the field of farm rentals, so that they will be treated more fairly?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, Mirabel involved 3,142 cases of expropriation, 2,587 of which were settled, 135 are being settled and 80 have not been settled. Furthermore, 340 have received advances.

[*English*]

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Northumberland-Durham.

Order, please. Before the hon. members' victim is lost the third time perhaps he might be allowed to ask the question.

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COMBINES INVESTIGATION ACT**DATE OF INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION**

Mr. Allan Lawrence (Northumberland-Durham): Your patience is everlasting, Mr. Speaker. My question relates to part of the statement made yesterday by the Prime Minister, but this one is related to legislation regarding the Combines Investigation Act. I should like to ask the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs when we may be able to view either the details of the bill or the bill itself.

Hon. Herb Gray (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I am consulting with the House leaders about this. I am hopeful that it will be very soon.

Mr. Lawrence: Mr. Speaker, I wonder whether the minister could inform us if the legislation has even been drafted?

Mr. Gray: Yes, it has, although the draftsmen are putting some finishing touches to it.

[Mr. Lalonde.]

AGRICULTURE**SUBSIDY ON FLUID MILK—AGREEMENT OF PROVINCIAL MARKETING BOARDS**

Mr. Terry Grier (Toronto-Lakeshore): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Agriculture. I should like to ask the minister whether he, on behalf of the government, has placed before the provincial milk marketing boards formal proposals embodying the announcement made in the Prime Minister's statement of yesterday and how soon he expects agreement will be reached?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): A meeting is now going on in the Sir John Carling Building between the Canadian Dairy Commission, the industry and producer representatives. We hope some conclusion will be forthcoming from this meeting this afternoon.

SUBSIDY ON FLUID MILK—REQUEST FOR ASSURANCE CONSUMERS WILL RECEIVE BENEFIT

Mr. Terry Grier (Toronto-Lakeshore): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister in the same general area arising from the assurance which he has seen fit to give in respect of a subsidy on milk for consumers. Is the Prime Minister prepared to guarantee to the House that this milk subsidy will be passed on to the milk consumers?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, that is the intention in the statement I made yesterday. The federal government is prepared to pay a five-cent subsidy per quart on milk, provided the provinces give the assurance that was mentioned in my statement that they will either contain or roll back the prices.

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NORTHERN AFFAIRS**ACTION TO ENSURE BENEFIT OF SUBSIDIES RECEIVED BY RESIDENTS OF NORTHERN AREAS**

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Mr. Speaker, since there are no marketing boards similar to those which exist in the provinces in the two northern territories, the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories, and since this is a matter falling under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, what steps is he taking to ensure that the citizens of Canada in those two northern areas receive the same kind of benefits in respect of these announcements concerning subsidies.

[*Translation*]

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Speaker, we are presently studying the best methods to adopt in order to provide the same benefits for residents of the North as for those of southern Canada.