

*Inquiries of the Ministry***TRANSPORT**

ACTION TO EXPEDITE MOVEMENT OF GRAIN

Mr. A. B. Douglas (Assiniboia): Mr. Speaker I have a related question for the Minister of Transport. Last Friday I asked the minister about the delay in grain shipments at Thunder Bay. Has he had an opportunity to investigate this situation, and can he assure us that every effort will be made to expedite grain movement into and out of all our ports in order—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The question is only distantly related to the previous one, but it has been asked and the minister might be allowed to reply briefly.

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): While I am examining air patterns in the Atlantic provinces I will certainly take into account this related and clearly closely allied question having to do with grain movement in the west.

INDUSTRYAUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING ASSISTANCE
REGULATIONS—EXTENSION OF EXPIRY
DATE

Mr. J. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): My question is for the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce. Could the minister inform the House whether the government has decided to extend the June 30 expiry date of the automotive manufacturing assistance regulations?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): As I said a few days ago, this is under study and I will report to the House when a decision has been made.

Mr. Broadbent: On a point of information, Mr. Speaker, the question asked a few days ago referred to the TAB agreements and not to the automotive manufacturing assistance regulations.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

AIRPORTSTORONTO—PROPOSED BEVERLEY TOWNSHIP
SITE

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington): I should like to direct my question to the genial Minister of Transport. It concerns the proposed auxiliary airport at Toronto. In view of the great number of rumours in the newspapers and on

television concerning a proposed site in the Beverley Township area, could the minister say now whether this area is or is not being considered?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): I cannot say for the very simple reason that I personally have deliberately avoided getting involved in the actual locations. I can only repeat what I have said on many previous occasions, that about four or five different locations are being examined. There will be no disclosure concerning these until such time as a final decision has been made.

Mr. Hales: In view of the fact that the minister said there were four or five areas, could he say if this is one of them?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

POLLUTIONOTTAWA RIVER—AREA OF COMMERCIAL
FISHING BAN

Mr. Leonard Hopkins (Renfrew North): Because of the concern that has been created in all communities bordering on the Ottawa River by the announcement of the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry concerning mercury pollution in the Ottawa River, and also in view of the announcement today, I believe, by the provincial Minister of Lands and Forests of a ban on commercial fishing in the Ottawa River, is the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry prepared at this time to indicate the section of the river about which there is the most concern?

Hon. Jack Davis (Minister of Fisheries and Forestry): Mr. Speaker, it is that stretch downstream of Ottawa and Hull.

TRANSPORTIMPROVEMENT OF FERRY SERVICE BETWEEN
NEWFOUNDLAND AND MAINLAND

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Transport. It is prompted by statistics which indicate the very serious inadequacies in surface transportation between Newfoundland and the mainland of Canada now existing, of which the minister is well aware and in which he is interested, and which are underscored by the sinking of the *Patrick Morris*.