Inquiries of the Ministry

that no relief from these commitments will be granted?

Mr. Drury: If at some time in the future it may be impossible to fulfil some commitments which have been made, I do not think the hon. member would wish to insist on impossibilities.

## NATURAL GAS

DECISION ON PIPE LINE BY U.S. AUTHORITY— NEW APPLICATION BY TRANS-CANADA

On the orders of the day:

Mr. David Lewis (York South): I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. Can he say when the United States authority may render a decision on the Great Lakes application; and can he say also when the National Energy Board of Canada will be considering a new application filed, as I understand, by Trans-Canada Pipe Lines?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): The answer to the first question is that I wish I knew. The answer to the second question is, on May 23.

## HIGHWAY SAFETY

CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE RECOMMEN-DATION RESPECTING ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Barry Mather (New Westminster): May I direct a question to the Minister of Industry, Mr. Speaker. Will the government act on the recommendation of the justice and legal affairs committee to set up a federal board charged with responsibility for all matters of motoring safety?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): I have not had an opportunity of studying this matter, but I shall do so at the earliest possible moment.

## ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

INQUIRY AS TO COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF ANIMAL PROTECTION

On the orders of the day:

Mrs. Grace MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway): Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the Prime Minister. In view of the escalation of pressure on the members of this house for an investigation into the protection of animals, will the Prime Minister indicate when the government plans to assign this matter to a parliamentary committee?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I am afraid I cannot answer that question. I shall be glad to look into it.

STEVEN TRUSCOTT—INQUIRY AS TO FINDINGS OF SUPREME COURT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Solicitor General. Will the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada with respect to the Steven Truscott case be announced this week and, if so, does the minister know on what day the decision will be made known?

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): I can only say that I share the hon. member's hope that we will receive the judgment in this case very soon.

HAL BANKS—INQUIRY AS TO EXTRADITION
On the orders of the day:

Mr. H. W. Herridge (Kootenay West): I wish to ask the Minister of Justice a question. Has the minister any further information he can give the house with respect to the question I asked him on April 14 as to whether Harold Chamberlain Banks is to be charged under the Criminal Code with perjury?

Hon. P.-E. Trudeau (Minister of Justice): Yes, I have an answer to that question. It is also an answer to a question asked by the hon. member for Grey-Bruce the other day. This matter has been placed in the hands of the local provincial crown attorney, Mr. John Cassels, who I expect in turn has been consulting with his superiors in the attorney general's department at Toronto. The investigating officers are receiving their advice from these sources. In my view, under the circumstances any statement relating to possible proceedings should come from the provincial authorities.

## AGRICULTURE

REQUEST FOR SUBSIDY ON SURPLUS FLUID MILK

On the orders of the day:

Mr. H. A. Olson (Medicine Hat): I wish to direct to the Minister of Agriculture the same question that I addressed to the acting minister last Wednesday. The acting minister said he would refer this matter to the minister on the minister's return to the house. My question is as follows. What was or what will be the government's response to the request that fluid milk be reinstated in the dairy subsidization program?