

Inquiries of the Ministry

with his family as well as the right to secure legal counsel?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, I do not want to accept any implication in the hon. member's question that, because the primary responsibility for the administration of these regulations lies with the Attorney General of Quebec, we have not expressed to him and to the government of Quebec our concern that the ordinary rights of people be interfered with as little as possible and for as short a time as possible—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton):—consistent with his responsibility and our responsibility in attempting to immobilize and break this criminal conspiracy of violent men. It is my understanding that those detained have been given the right to contact parents and friends so that their whereabouts may be known. The Attorney General of Quebec made a statement this morning dealing with the right to counsel.

WAR MEASURES ACT—SUGGESTED INDEPENDENT COMMISSION TO SUPERVISE APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS

Mr. David Lewis (York South): May I ask the Minister of Justice whether the minister or the Attorney General of Quebec, or both, or the two governments have given consideration to a suggestion which I read in one of the Montreal newspapers that, as it were, an independent commission of two or three people be appointed to do what he says is now being done by officers of the Department of the Attorney General?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, the Attorney General of Quebec is aware of that suggestion.

WAR MEASURES ACT—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, am I to understand from the exchange that has taken place today that the full statement I requested yesterday is not to be given?

Some hon. Members: Shame!

Mr. Forrestall: The minister is not even answering. What does the government think this is?

[Later:]

Mr. Stanfield: Mr. Speaker, I do not think the Prime Minister heard my question. I asked whether, in view of the exchanges that have taken place, it is correct to assume that the full statement I requested yesterday will not in fact be made?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): No, Mr. Speaker, that is not a correct assumption.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Stanfield: When may we expect such a statement, then?

[Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands).]

Mr. Trudeau: If the hon. member reads *Hansard* for yesterday he will see that I did not undertake to have that statement made today.

WAR MEASURES ACT—LOCATIONS OF ARRESTS

Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, may I address a question to the Solicitor General. Can the Solicitor General tell us what areas he meant when he said that there have been a number of arrests in different areas? Could he indicate what those areas are?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Yes, Mr. Speaker: Montreal, Rimouski, Hull, Sherbrooke and Quebec City.

Mr. MacInnis: Mr. Speaker, may I address a further question to the Solicitor General. Has any arrest been made outside the province of Quebec in this regard?

Mr. McIlraith: Mr. Speaker, there was one temporary detention over Saturday night in Toronto while the authorities were investigating the story the person picked up had told them. That is the only one I know of.

WAR MEASURES ACT—ARREST OF HULL, QUEBEC, SOCIAL WORKER

Mr. David Lewis (York South): I have a further supplementary question for either the Minister of Justice or the Solicitor General. Would the responsible minister undertake to investigate the report of the arrest of Mr. Courvoyer of Hull, Quebec, a social worker, and report back to the House? It is reported he was arrested because he was organizing assistance for some of those arrested under the War Measures Act regulations. Is either minister aware of that arrest? If not, would the responsible minister undertake to investigate and report on it?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): I am not familiar with the case to which the hon. member is referring, Mr. Speaker. I will investigate the matter to see if I can properly bring forward an official answer.

SUGGESTED REWARD FOR APPREHENSION OF FLQ KIDNAPPERS

Mr. R. N. Thompson (Red Deer): I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Justice. Has the minister or the government taken any initiative to provide a substantial reward, with executive clemency for the informant, for information that will lead to certain individuals who are known to be directly involved in the kidnapping, a most serious offence?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): Not at the moment, Mr. Speaker.

WAR MEASURES ACT—NUMBER OF RAIDS, ARRESTS AND RELEASES

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): Can the Solicitor General advise the House in connection with some of the statistical information he obviously has in front of him? How many raids have taken place, how many actual arrests have been made and how many