

Q. You said a moment ago that the purport of your committee is to arouse the interest of the Quebec people in our war effort? A. It is.

Q. In that joint letter by the bishops of the whole country they just state that they should contribute to this war? A. I think there is room for an honest difference of opinion. I am expressing my point of view and Monsignor Villeneuve is perfectly at liberty to express his. It is an honest difference of opinion between people who I think are united in a common aim to win the war. There can be differences about the methods of doing things. I believe the difference is merely one of method.

Q. Coming back to the padlock law, suppose you convince us that we should change the regulations here in Ottawa, what would you do then with that provincial law? A. Well, I would work for its repeal as I have been ever since it was enacted by Mr. Duplessis' government.

Q. But it was not repealed by the present government? A. It has not been repealed, it is not in use so far as I know.

Q. The federal police are doing the work? A. Yes.

BY MR. MacINNIS:

Q. I wonder if this would sum up your idea in regard to certain classes of people who are now interned; I think it sums up mine. This statement was made to this committee by Sir Norman Birkett who is the chairman, I think, of the advisory committee dealing with detention and release of interned prisoners in Great Britain. He said:

"We have this kind of case. At the outbreak of the war we heard the cry of Britain for the British. We do not want any interference with Germany or anyone else. Since then we have had the bombings