

developed the only true democratic formula for preventing revolutionary activities, in a word, even if we did implement his solution, we would come at exactly the same results.

The FLQ members will be satisfied only after the country has been destroyed and anything that we undertake will amount to raising a barrier between them and us, there is no doubt about it.

Such is the challenge we have to meet. We do not ask that the Opposition assume responsibilities which are ours to assume, but at least please refrain from tripping us up while we are trying hard to drive the country out of this jam.

• (4:30 p.m.)

[English]

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Some hon. Members: Question.

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): Mr. Speaker, I wonder if hon. members opposite wish to issue a proclamation to stop me from speaking now.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Baldwin: The Minister of Regional Economic Expansion (Mr. Marchand) has made a fiery and impassioned speech. Speeches of this quality and character, sincere as they are, taken together with the quality of the actions of the government give us cause for concern on this side of the House and should give cause for concern to all Canadians who wish to preserve the freedoms which they prize so dearly.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Baldwin: The minister said there was overreaction. Let me read to the House from the Ottawa *Citizen* of today an account of what sort of action was taken under this proclamation, action which causes us to say that there cannot be overreaction on the part of opposition members or anybody else in Canada who worries very much about what could be the facts in the future. The article in the *Citizen* reads in part as follows:

A knock—then police.

The full impact of the War Measures Act was impressed upon the family of Hull doctor Georges Lebel early today as five policemen barged into his house and roused the eight members of the family out of bed.

Doctor Lebel, still shaken from the incident when interviewed hours later, said the policemen knocked at a basement door, then barged in at about 4 a.m.

They hurried upstairs, ordered everyone out of bed and told Doctor and Mrs. Lebel to gather their children in the kitchen and stay there.

Doctor Lebel's teenage daughter was sleeping behind the locked door of her room. Mrs. Lebel said a policeman asked her who was in the room and before she could answer, he kicked in the door and brusquely ordered the girl to get up and get into the kitchen.

Doctor Lebel said he was told the object of the raid was Roger Monette, an engineering student boarding in a basement room. Police went through every room in the house, emptying drawers and shelves. They even searched the Lebel's birdcage.

### Invoking of War Measures Act

Doctor Lebel's daughter worked for the Parti Quebecois during the April election.

Police took PQ literature from her room.

They also took other documents from other rooms...

The police left as quickly as they had come, taking with them Monette and envelopes of literature.

They told the doctor they would be back later for another search.

Does the minister say, after listening to that, that we are not right in overreacting in regard to what could happen under the regulations which have been adopted? How many hundreds of times is that sentiment being repeated in the country at this time?

Mr. Marchand (Langelier): How would you prefer the regulations to be applied, in order to avoid what you have mentioned?

Mr. Baldwin: If the minister stays here long enough he will hear my view. I do not intend to make partisan politics out of this matter.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Baldwin: Do hon. members say that we are not right? Not only do we have the right, but we have the duty to bring before the House and before this country information on incidents of this nature.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Baldwin: We do so, not when the government is bringing legislation before us but when we are being asked to give total approval to what the government has done.

An hon. Member: What proof have you of this?

An hon. Member: Do you know that what you have read is correct?

Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands): Be quiet. If you want to make a speech, make it.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. At the moment the hon. member for Peace River (Mr. Baldwin) has the floor.

Mr. Baldwin: I should have read from the same article that a gentleman named Cassavant was also taken. He phoned his wife this morning from the QPP headquarters in Hull. He is alleged to have told her that about 200 other persons from Hull alone were being held for questioning.

An hon. Member: Don't go away, Jean.

Mr. Aiken: The Prime Minister left a while ago.

• (4:40 p.m.)

Mr. Baldwin: The hon. member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen) asked a question which goes right to the heart of this issue. The Minister of Justice (Mr. Turner), to give him credit, tried very bravely to answer a question that was extremely difficult for him to answer. The question put

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