

WITNESS: And your sections 39A and 39B, with the exception of a very few words, are the equivalent, are they not, to sedition in the Criminal Code?

MR. BERTRAND: About the same.

WITNESS: Now, this gentleman, who has experience with crime in a big city such as Montreal, knows also that our Criminal Code falls far short of the necessary requirements to protect the state against what has been called "organized crime." The code is all right to deal with the average individual criminal; the code is all right to deal with what I would call the incidental criminal, but the code surely is not sufficient to deal with organized criminal rackets, and the communist party is better organized than any criminal racket has been organized on this whole continent. The communist, as I attempted to show a moment ago, knows that we deal with things in a certain manner; we are gentlemen, and we boast of that quality, if it is a quality, that we have; therefore I say you cannot deal with the communist party in the same way as you can deal with some other political movements of another kind. They are particularly strong in their way of organizing underground, because it has been their traditions ever since there has been communism. They have studied that; they have had generations of men who have made it a constant life study, and that is why I say that the individual communist is an individual who represents the gravest danger for Canada and its institutions.

BY MR. BENCE:

Q. Do you believe then that there should be a restoration of something like section 98 of the Criminal Code? A. I believe it would help very very much, and I think I can say this, speaking for our group, that we would favour that immensely, and I think that we can go a step further and say that the province of Quebec as a whole would favour that. I