

the partition of Palestine in 1947, to go and offer reparation for what was destroyed at that time.

The spark which threatens to ignite the Middle East at any moment is a great concern to us, but if the minister made the trip to study the situation instead of finding a solution, I hope that his meetings with heads of state in those regions helped him find a fair settlement the Canadian government could bring forward.

We noticed lately that upon a suggestion of the minister, Canada was willing to offer a peace-keeping force similar to the one we sent to Cyprus. Not very long ago, in the spring of 1967, the president of the United Arab Republic himself drove the Canadians out of his country.

I ignore whether President Nasser is now ready to accept the dispatch of a peace-keeping force from Canada or elsewhere.

Anyhow, it is urgent to solve the problem raised there which is not only a problem of borders. There is also indeed a problem of refugees. This year, Canada will be paying over \$12 million as assistance to Palestinian refugees. This condition has been existing since partition and it seems that the problem will never be settled.

A great number of Palestinian refugees are now suffering from hunger as a result of that partition and I feel that it rests with those who are responsible for that unfortunate situation to cope with it.

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were Treasury Board Minutes approved by the Governor in Council.

**\*NATIONALIZATION OF YUKON  
ELECTRICAL COMPANY**

Question No. 32—**Mr. Howard (Skeena):**

Is the federal government presently giving favourable consideration to the nationalization of the Yukon Electrical Company?

**Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** Mr. Speaker, I can advise that nationalization of the company referred

*Questions*

[English]

**IDENTIFICATION OF CRIMINALS ACT**

**RESTRICTION OF RIGHT TO FINGERPRINT  
ACCUSED BEFORE CONVICTION**

**Mr. Douglas A. Hogarth (New Westminster)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-154, to amend the Identification of Criminals Act.

**Some hon. Members:** Explain.

**Mr. Hogarth:** Mr. Speaker, the effect of this bill generally is to amend the Identification of Criminals Act so that no person can be fingerprinted by the police without his consent until after he has been convicted of an indictable offence unless a judge under certain circumstances otherwise orders. As the law now stands he can be fingerprinted before he is convicted.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

**QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**ORDERS IN COUNCIL PASSED**

Question No. 15—**Mr. Skoberg:**

How many orders-in-council were passed by the federal government for the years 1950, 1955, 1960, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1967 and 1968?

**Mr. J. E. Walker (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister):** Total number of orders-in-council for the years indicated are:

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to should not be ruled out, but no decision has been taken at this time.

**\*NATIONALIZATION OF WHITE PASS  
AND YUKON CORPORATION**

Question No. 33—**Mr. Howard (Skeena):**

Is the federal government presently giving favourable consideration to the nationalization of the White Pass and Yukon Corporation?

**Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** Mr. Speaker, I can advise that nationalization of the company referred