

respect of the elevator system in this house? I think most hon. members and the staff of the house would agree that during the week many hours of valuable time are lost because of this system, and that something should be done to determine how to improve it.

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, I have taken note of the hon. member's question.

INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Ralph Cowan (York-Humber): Mr. Speaker, I have a question I should like to address to the Minister of Manpower and Immigration or, in his absence, which I regret sincerely, to his parliamentary secretary. Since that hon. gentleman does not appear to be in the house perhaps I should address it to anyone who is acting on his behalf. Twice during the past week I have been assured by the parliamentary assistant that everything is wonderful in Greece, so wonderful in fact that a Greek shepherd does not want to return to that country because everything is so beautiful there. May I ask whether that is the same Greece which on Wednesday of this week published an act which gives the army-backed government the power to sack university professors at will, and is it the same Greece which has not to date restored the freedom of the press?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. In my opinion this is not a question, it is a speech. The hon. member knows that the rules do not permit members to make speeches at this time, however short they may be.

[Later:]

Mr. Ralph Cowan (York-Humber): Mr. Speaker, this question is of some urgency. I would like to ask the Minister of Manpower and Immigration whether the Greek shepherd is being deported this evening in order to make room for a Greek flying in here next Thursday evening?

IMMIGRATION

SUGGESTION THAT MEETINGS OF JOINT COMMITTEE BE RESUMED

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Andrew Brewin (Greenwood): Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the house leader

Inquiries of the Ministry

and the Minister of Manpower and Immigration, I should like to ask the Prime Minister whether he will speak to one or other of his colleagues, asking them to promote an organization meeting of the joint committee on immigration, so that the committee can make plans to report on the various suggestions as to changes in immigration laws which were made by the committee last session?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I will be very glad to do that, Mr. Speaker.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

CENTENNIAL TELEVISION SERIES ON
PROCESS OF PARLIAMENT

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Michael Starr (Ontario): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the right hon. Prime Minister whether he can tell us what progress if any has been made on the C.B.C.'s intention as a centennial series to film the working of parliament?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I speak subject to correction, but I think this matter at the moment is in the hands of the house leaders for discussion with Your Honour.

[Translation]

LABOUR RELATIONS

INQUIRY AS TO REPORT OF C.L.R.B.

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Gilles Grégoire (Lapointe): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Labour.

Can the minister tell us whether he received recently the report of the Canada Labour Relations Board concerning the natural bargaining units and does he intend to release that report soon?

[English]

Hon. J. R. Nicholson (Minister of Labour): No, Mr. Speaker, I have received no such report.

LABOUR CONDITIONS

SYDNEY, N.S.—GOVERNMENT ACTION FOLLOWING LAY-OFFS AT STEEL PLANT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Industry. I should like to ask that hon. gentleman what encouraging news he may have this morning for the 1,100 men,