

*Inquiries of the Ministry*WAR MEASURES ACT—REPRESENTATIONS BY OSGOODE  
LAW SCHOOL FACULTY MEMBERS ON PROTECTION  
OF CIVIL LIBERTIES

**Mr. J. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby):** On a more serious note, I have a supplementary question for the Prime Minister. May I ask whether the right hon. gentleman has received a telegram from 20 faculty members of the Osgoode Law School, York University, Toronto, requesting him to take action to protect the civil liberties of people arrested under the War Measures Act and specifically requesting that no one should be prosecuted for past acts which were not criminal prior to the proclamation of the War Measures Act?

**An hon. Member:** You represent the one per cent.

**Mr. Broadbent:** May we have order, Mr. Speaker? If the Prime Minister has received such a telegram, has he replied to these distinguished professors of law giving them the assurance for which they asked?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** I do not have any knowledge of having received such a telegram from my distinguished confrères. I will look into the matter and see whether I can find some appropriate platform for arguing it out with them.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. The Chair will recognize the hon. member for Yukon for a supplementary and then pass on to another subject.

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## AIRPORTS

MONTREAL—ROBBERY—INCREASE IN SECURITY  
MEASURES

**Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon):** In the absence of the Minister of Transport I should like to ask the Solicitor General whether, in view of the recent theft of \$120,000 from Montreal airport despite the high degree of security already in existence, it is the intention of the government to increase the security measures in force at this airport?

**Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):** I would be glad to take the question as notice, Mr. Speaker.

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## ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

BRITISH COLUMBIA—ORDER IN COUNCIL PLACING  
TEACHERS IN DOUBLE JEOPARDY

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I direct a question to the Minister of Justice. Was the federal government or the minister consulted by the government of British Columbia before that government passed an Order in Council placing teachers and university professors in that province in double jeopardy?

[Mr. McIlraith.]

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** I was not consulted, Mr. Speaker.

**Mrs. Grace MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway):** Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question. Would the minister inform the House under what law or authority the British Columbia government passed the Order in Council, and would the government consider using its powers under the War Measures Act to annul this undemocratic order?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. The hon. member for Vancouver-Kingsway will recognize, I am sure, that she is asking the minister to express a legal opinion.

**Mrs. MacInnis:** Then, Mr. Speaker, may I repeat the second half of my question. Would the government consider using its powers under the War Measures Act to annul this undemocratic order which places teachers in British Columbia in double jeopardy?

**Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton):** Mr. Speaker, I would not want to abuse the War Measures Act beyond its purpose.

[Translation]

**Mr. Réal Caouette (Témiscamingue):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a supplementary question to the hon. Minister of Justice.

Would the province of Quebec have the right under the Constitution to adopt a legislation similar to the one passed by British Columbia?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member is once more inviting the minister to express a legal opinion.

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[English]

## THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

MEASURES TO STIMULATE ECONOMY AND REDUCE  
UNEMPLOYMENT

**Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to address my question to the Prime Minister. Is the government planning in the near future to introduce new measures to stimulate the economy and reduce the unemployment, poverty and misery on which terrorism feeds as an important first step in a long-range plan to remove this menace from our country?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I am glad that the hon. member is at least catching up with the importance of this and is calling it a first step. Of course we took this first step a long while ago.

**Mr. Hees:** Does not the Prime Minister consider that the seriousness of this situation and the seriousness of the question I asked merit a more positive and constructive answer, rather than just the meaningless parroting of the same answer—