

the Ontario legislature as being inflationary and, if so, can he assure the House that the Prices and Incomes Commission will consider them?

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member has made a representation which will be taken into account.

[Translation]

#### COMPANY OF YOUNG CANADIANS

SOURCE OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RCMP

**Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette):** Mr. Speaker, could the Minister of Justice tell us whether the reports he received from the RCMP in connection with the Company of Young Canadians came only from Quebec or from some other provinces?

[English]

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** I am afraid that the enthusiasm which greeted the last question prevented me from hearing the hon. member.

[Translation]

**Mr. La Salle:** Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask the Minister of Justice whether the RCMP reports he has in hand come from the province of Quebec only or also from other provinces.

**Mr. Speaker:** While the minister is trying to grasp the meaning of that question, I might recognize the hon. member for Winnipeg North, and come back to the hon. member in a moment.

[Later:]

**Mr. Speaker:** Now that he has had a few minutes to think it over, the Minister of Justice might reply to the question raised by the hon. member for Joliette.

[English]

**Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton):** I apologize to the hon. member but at the time I did not hear his question. The documents I was talking about were relayed to the RCMP from the Montreal police and they related to activities of the Company of Young Canadians in Quebec. I would have to check with my colleague the Solicitor General to answer the question whether information on the activities of that organization in other provinces is also in the possession of the police.

#### Inquiries of the Ministry

#### COMBINES

REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF NICKEL PRICE INCREASES

**Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North):** I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In view of the increases of almost 25 per cent in the price of nickel by two major producers in Canada on the same day, will he ask the anti-combines section of his department to investigate whether there has been illegal collusion on the part of these two companies?

**Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, I think the answer to that question is the one I gave a moment ago. The director of research under the Combines Investigation Act watches specific price movements and if there is a possibility of a breach of the act he has a statutory duty to take proceedings.

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** A supplementary question for the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, Mr. Speaker. I should like to ask whether he made any request to the nickel producers to review their Canadian prices. In view of the fact that sales to Canadian customers represent only 4 per cent of their production, and inasmuch as the matter apparently has not been discussed with the companies by the government, will the minister request the companies to review their Canadian prices?

**Mr. Basford:** Mr. Speaker, a moment ago the Leader of the Opposition seemed to object to me making such requests of the oil companies, so I am rather hesitant to proceed along that line.

[Translation]

**Mr. Gaétan-J. Serré (Nickel Belt):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a supplementary question to the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In view of increased nickel prices and salaries in the Sudbury area, which have led many companies and merchants to also increase their prices, could the Minister tell us whether his department could not bring some pressure to bear in order to prevent this increase in consumer prices?

[English]

**Mr. Basford:** Well, Mr. Speaker, the hon. member will know from the proceedings in the house on Wednesday and Thursday that neither my department nor the government