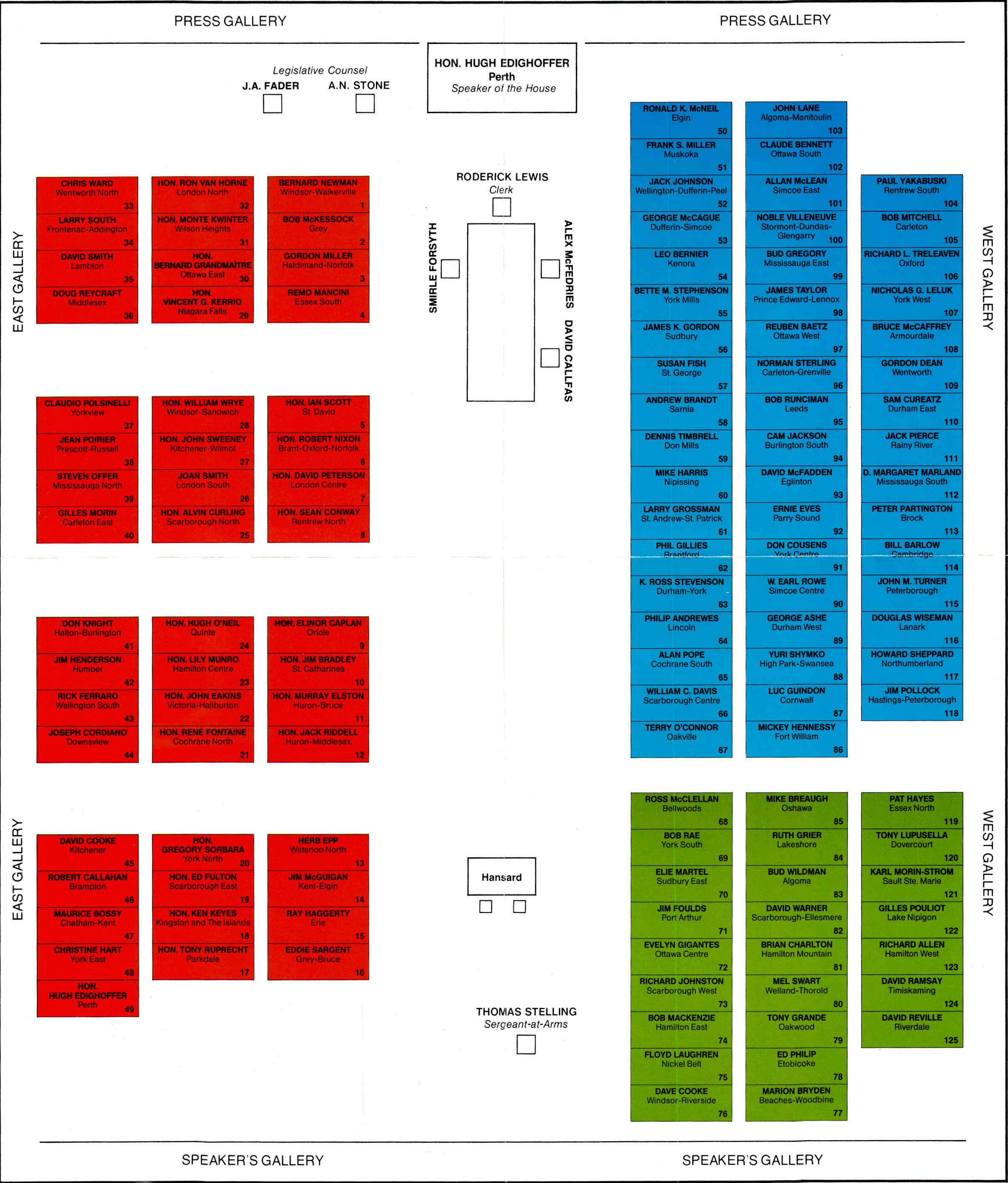




O God, Our Heavenly Father, we come before You this day, asking Your Blessing upon Her Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth and upon Her representative in this Province.

Give to each member of this Legislature a strong and abiding sense of the great responsibilities laid upon us. Guide us here in our deliberations. Give us a deep and thorough understanding of the needs of the people we serve. Help us to use power wisely and well. Inspire us to decisions which establish and maintain a land of prosperity and righteousness where freedom prevails and justice rules. — Amen.

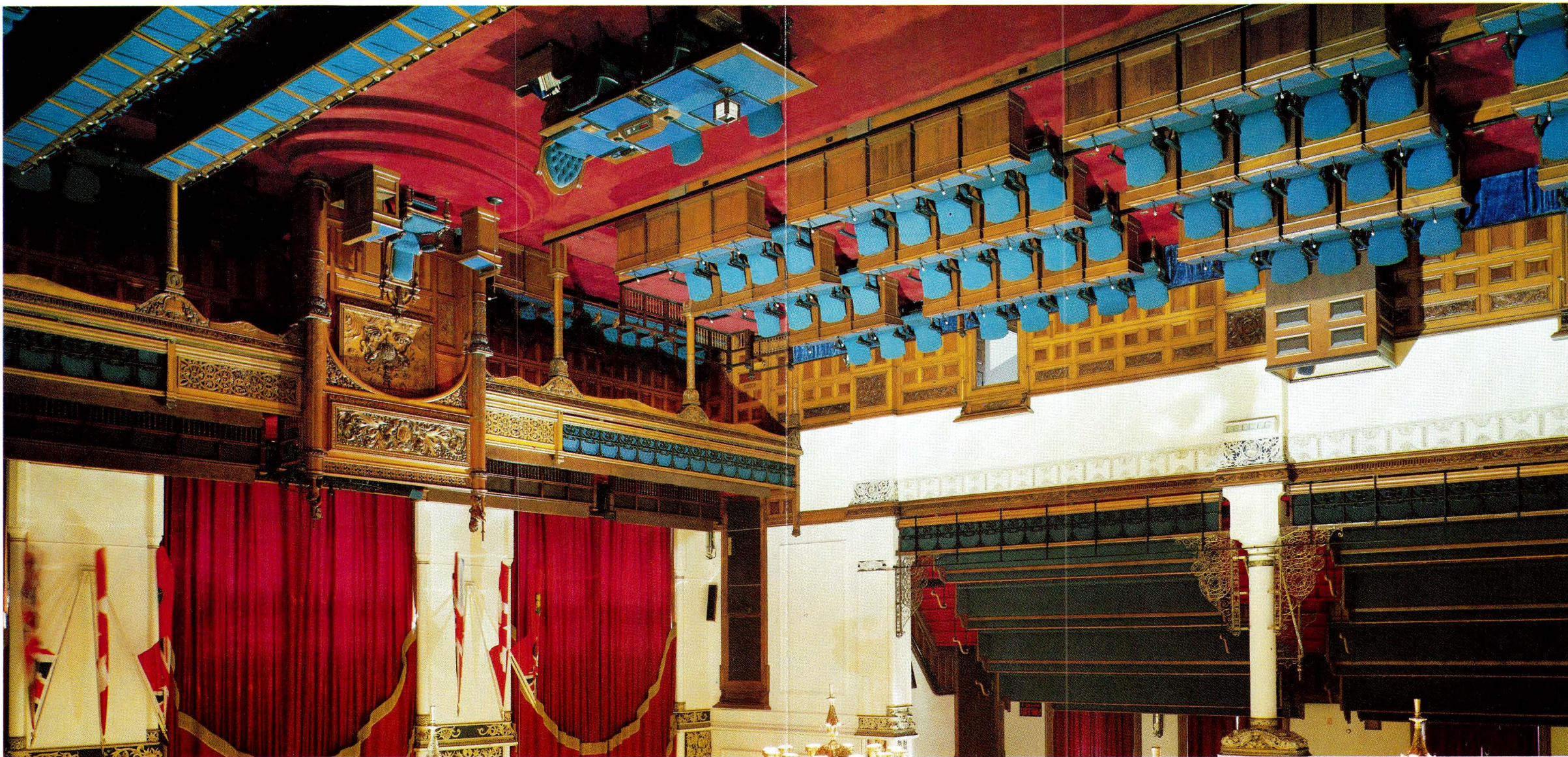
Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil. — Amen.

Prayers Read by the Speaker at the opening of the Legislature each day (all standing)

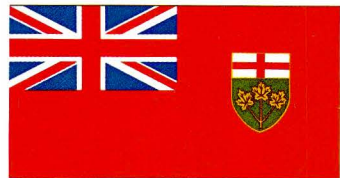
A Message from the Speaker

To speak out for or against; to scrutinize and question—these are the rights of the Legislature, and in them lies the institution's great strength. Open debate of the Government's legislative proposals and policy initiatives provides the Legislature with its crucial function. But the business of the House is just one facet of your Member's responsibilities as a legislator, and he or she will often be drawn away from the Chamber to attend legislative committees or to meet with any of the more than 60,000 constituents each Member of the Legislature has been elected to represent.

I welcome your visit here today and hope that you will find it both interesting and informative.



A valuable softwood, the Eastern White Pine was chosen as the province's official arboreal emblem in May, 1984.



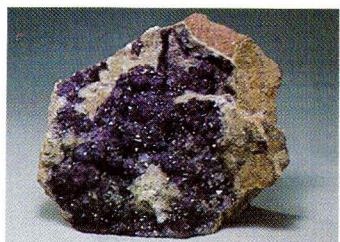
The Ontario Flag

The provincial flag was adopted in 1965, and shows the Union Jack in the upper quarter next to the staff and the Shield of the Armorial Bearings of Ontario centred in the half farthest from the staff.



The Floral Emblem

The flower known botanically as the trillium grandiflorum and popularly as the white trillium was adopted as the Provincial flower in 1937.



The Gemstone of Ontario

Ontario's official mineral emblem is the semi-precious purple gemstone, amethyst, adopted by the Legislature in 1975.



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