# Speaker's rulings and statements—(Continued)

Member's Conduct:

28. On point of order, Member for Skeena (Mr. Howard) asked Prime Minister and Veterans Affairs Minister to withdraw "underhanded and scurrilous" remarks used in imputing motives to him: Mr. Speaker ruled his language unparliamentary and requested Member to withdraw same; Having declined, Mr. Speaker named him. Motion (Mr. Churchill) that member be suspended for duration of this day's sitting: moved and agreed to on recorded division, 238-9.

## Motions for Papers:

- 29. Point of order raised that Ministers' phrase "subject to the usual reservations" was an amendment to the motion and should be considered by the House: Mr. Speaker stated practice of accepting reservations expressed by Ministers and of putting motion implied unanimous consent of the House and took same under consideration, 272. Point of order resumed re use by Minister of phrase "subject to the usual reservations"; Mr. Speaker ruled motion for papers is not debatable and cannot be amended but Minister who does not wish to be bound by unqualified Order of the House to produce documents may rise and state his objection, which is a well-established rule, 295-7.
- 30. When notice of motion is called in absence of sponsor, Government has option of requesting that it stand, otherwise it is dropped; also discouraged practice of others moving same in sponsor's absence, 351.

### Order Paper:

31. Precedence of Orders of the Day on Saturdays, 511-4, 516-8.

#### Private and Public Bills Hour:

32. No private bills on Order Paper, public bills not yet printed; House reverts to government business, 30.

#### Private Members Days:

33. Private Members Monday used for Government business on third consecutive time before expiry of Private Members Mondays, by unanimous consent, 142.

## Private Members Resolutions:

34. Similar Bills on Order Paper: Before placing private member's motion re flag referendum, Mr. Speaker stated that a motion dealing with same subject-matter as bills on Order Paper could not be considered; after discussion, he accepted the distinction that motion requested a referendum to Canadian people and allowed debate to proceed, 176-7.

### Privilege, Questions of:

35. On Order for House to resolve itself into Committee of Ways and Means (Supplementary Budget) question of privilege raised re eligibility of certain Cabinet members to sit and vote in House of Commons: Mr. Speaker ruled that question of privilege should be brought up immediately after prayers and that the matter should be deferred until to-morrow, 131. Resuming consideration of question of privilege, raised as to eligibility of certain cabinet members to sit and vote in House under certain circumstances: Mr. Speaker stated that question was one of interpretation of two