order for Ontario to get $100 million extra, that province should tax the people of Ontario directly for this amount. I did not blame the premier of Ontario for not doing this, as he certainly would not want double taxation.

I do not think that we should assume a selfish attitude no matter in what province we live. Canadians should co-operate and strive to maintain full national unity in fiscal and all other matters. If the province of Ontario had taken a purely selfish attitude to obtain this extra $100 million, it probably would have taxed the people directly for this amount, because in order to obtain $100 million under the present tax rental agreements or arrangements, it would cost the taxpayers of the province of Ontario $127 million in taxes. Any new formula that has been presented here has been not so favourable for the people of the province of Ontario.

I am one who thinks that we should pay off our debt in good times and borrow to see us over hard times. This bill will help to create some employment and as such is a good bill. But I would ask the Minister of Finance to be as careful as possible with our money. I would ask him also to remember that only on two occasions—once this century and once between confederation and the turn of the century; twice in all—has any Conservative minister of finance ever had a surplus of as much as $1 million. I had hopes that the present Minister of Finance would not go that way, but in looking over the expenditures to be made in the coming year I would think that he would have a deficit greater than any previous Conservative minister of finance at any time in the past, either in times of war or times of peace. In the 1958-59 budget, if he presents it, I anticipate a deficit many times more than all the accumulated surpluses the Conservative party has been able to build up since confederation.

I heard the minister say that he worked 18 hours a day and I agree with him that in doing so he is attempting to render a great service to Canada. I wish, however, that he would not be so partisan in his consideration and would treat members of the house as good, loyal citizens who want to do their best for Canada. I thought it beneath his dignity as Minister of Finance to refer to members of my party as not liking the commonwealth. That appears on page 1163 of *Hansard*. I felt these words keenly because I love my country. I think these words suggest some measure of disloyalty on the part of myself and other members of this party.

Mr. Brooks: On a point of order, Mr. Chairman, the hon. member is supposed to be discussing clause one of the bill, I take it. I do not see that his remarks have any application to the first clause of the bill but rather have nothing to do with the bill at all.

The Acting Chairman (Mr. Rea): I think the point of order of the Minister of Veterans Affairs is well taken. I would ask the hon. member for Welland to come back to clause one.

Mr. McMillan: Pardon?

The Acting Chairman (Mr. Rea): I would ask the hon. member to come back to clause one. I think he is wandering.

Mr. McMillan: I just want to add one sentence—

Some hon. Members: Order!

Mr. McMillan: —that no one on this side of the house or any other member—

Some hon. Members: Order!

Mr. Lesage: You do not know what he is going to say.

Mr. McMillan: —has compared their war record with that of the Minister of Finance, and I think it is time that he and other members of his party—

The Acting Chairman (Mr. Rea): Order. We are not discussing—

Mr. McMillan: —ceased casting reflections on any member of this house.

The Acting Chairman (Mr. Rea): Order. We are not discussing war records on this bill. I would ask the hon. member to come back to clause one.

Mr. Stick: Mr. Chairman, I have not spoken on this measure yet and my words will be very brief. We in Newfoundland are glad to have this $7½ million handed out to us even though we are on the eve of an election. We would be very glad to have twice as much but we welcome the $7½ million. The only thing I am sorry about is that it is not twice as much because we need the money in Newfoundland to carry on our services and to build them up to the level of those in the maritimes and what we would like them to be. I am also very glad that the minister gave the assurance that this handout of $7½ million does not prejudice our case under the terms of revision provided in section 29 of the act of union. Is that correct?

Mr. Fleming: The two things have nothing to do with each other.

Mr. Stick: Inasmuch as I am in favor of the measure and am only sorry that the amount is not $15 million, I have only one question I would like to ask. How will the