

Mr. McGrath: Mr. Speaker, in an effort to clear up the record regarding a point of order I raised on June 22, as reported at page 6994 of *Hansard*, on which Your Honour deferred your ruling last Thursday because you wanted clarification and, as you put it "precision", may I put forward this point as briefly and precisely as I can. I will narrow down my point of order to the argument that the Minister of Supply and Services (Mr. Goyer), as reported at page 6968 of *Hansard*, made reference in his speech to two letters. It is these two letters that I would like to have tabled in accordance with the practices of the House. In support of my argument may I quote citation 159(2) and citation 159(3) of *Beauchesne's* Fourth Edition. I would also put forward in support of my contention a ruling of Your Honour of April 8, 1976 to be found at page 12612 of *Hansard*, and I respectfully submit to Your Honour that you take these under advisement. That is my point put as precisely as I could, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: I would want some indication as to whether or not there are to be counterarguments, and then I will take the matter under advisement. If there is to be any counterargument, it will be made one day from now, and then I will take the matter under consideration.

Mr. Brisco: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. As reported at page 7015 of *Hansard* of June 22, during a speech I was making on opposition day dealing with the matter of Cardinal Family Farms of Alberta I posed a series of rhetorical questions. However, my concluding remark was that the Cardinal Family had equity of \$10,000 and received \$153,000. That is a clear statement of fact rather than a rhetorical question.

I would have raised this point previously—and I will get to the point of order—but I did not have *Hansard* to refer to, it was in the hands of *Hansard*. There is no question that *Hansard* reported me correctly, but I would like to seek an opportunity, in light of my statement and in light of the statements of officials of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, that subject to the dedication of all parties serving on the Standing Committee of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and as an indication of my dedication and the dedication of other members—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member will have to make it clear whether he is attempting to make a correction to *Hansard* or to clarify what he said on an earlier occasion.

Mr. Brisco: It is not a correction of *Hansard*, Mr. Speaker, it is a withdrawal of a remark I made which appears in *Hansard*.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I am not aware of any procedure by which that can be done. Certainly, it cannot be done by way of a point of order in these circumstances. The hon. member might want to attempt to do that in some other way. However, it would require considerable consent and some examination as to the procedural basis for doing so. It cannot be done by way of a point of order under a correction to *Hansard*. The hon. member might want to give it some

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thought and to seek some advice as to how the matter might best be approached.

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CANCELLATION OF AFTERNOON SITTING ON JUNE 28

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, in view of the untimely death of our friend and colleague the hon. member for Lotbinière, the leader of the Social Credit Party, I understand there is a proposal with respect to the sitting of the House tomorrow. Perhaps the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council could advise us of that and then there is another matter I should like to raise.

Mr. Goodale: Mr. Speaker, there have been the usual consultations and it is agreed that the House of Commons shall not sit tomorrow afternoon as a gesture of our profound respect for the late hon. member for Lotbinière.

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, since we are getting close to what might be construed as the end of the session, perhaps I could ask the question about the business of the House today. Could the parliamentary secretary confirm that it would be satisfactory that the votes on amendments to the unemployment insurance legislation be held this evening with the bells commencing at 9.45 p.m.?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): For 15 minutes only.

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): We will do our best on that. Could the parliamentary secretary inform us prior to beginning debate on Bill C-20, the legislation respecting the Auditor General, whether it is the intention of the government to bring in changes to the Standing Orders, or whatever is necessary, in order that the understanding that has been reached that the report of the Auditor General be automatically referred to the public accounts committee instead of being referred in the usual way can be put through? This is important from the point of view of the debate that is about to take place and it is a matter upon which I understand there is no difficulty between the parties in the House. If the parliamentary secretary cannot give me that information now, would he be prepared to do so later today?

Mr. Goodale: Mr. Speaker, to deal with the several points raised, perhaps I should go back a bit and conclude with some information about the hours for tomorrow. As I indicated, it would be appropriate that the House not sit tomorrow afternoon, but sit the normal hours in the morning and the evening.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I think this has been agreed to but I think it should be made clear in the form of a House order and that a minister should request a House order. It is my understanding that we will sit tomorrow from 11 a.m. to one p.m. on government business,