

two grounds on which I submit Mr. Murphy's sub-amendment is in order; the first one is that it is in *peri materia* in sum and substance exactly; the second thing is this, that a similar motion exactly on all fours with this one was passed some meetings ago in connection with instructions by the committee to the steering committee when preparing its report on the administration of the property of Japanese.

The CHAIRMAN: That does not create a precedent at all.

Mr. COTE: If I might just interject a word, and the amendment to the amendment suggests that this committee should instruct the steering committee to act in a certain way, to make a certain recommendation in its final report. Any motion in committee here is debatable. If we were to go on and discuss the sub-amendment moved by Mr. Murphy we would open the door wide to a discussion of recommendations by this committee and at this stage that, I submit, would be irregular, because a committee always discusses recommendations in camera. That is the second stage of our work which comes after the taking of evidence is completed.

The CHAIRMAN: Now, on the sub-amendment presented by Mr. Murphy, as I see it, it is out of order for these reasons: first, it assumes that the amendment is carried and on that ground it would be untimely. Second, it is in itself a direction to the subcommittee as to what it should include in its report, and as Mr. Cote has pointed out that is a matter which has to be dealt with when we are in camera discussing our report.

Some Hon. MEMBERS: Question.

The CHAIRMAN: I will read the motion and the amendment.

The question is on the amendment.

Amendment carried.

Motion as amended carried.

I declare the amendment carried and the committee will proceed in camera.

At 6.10 o'clock p.m. the Committee adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. this day.