

*Administration of Justice*

It goes this way and that way, Mr. Speaker, it never follows a straight line; it sails the dark waters of insinuation. It is masterful. The pupil should take note of that.

I think that for all of us, including the Liberals, the oratory of the Leader of the Opposition can be a lesson. I am sorry that we did not ask our students of "rhetoric" to come and hear a great orator.

Mr. Speaker, I heard the hon. member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen) ask: But, who is mentioned? There is Mrs. Munsinger. But who else? Men? Women? Ministers? Former ministers? Members of parliament? Former members of parliament? Who?

There is one, Mr. Speaker, and there is no doubt in my mind, it is the former Prime Minister who acted improperly in a case concerning the security of the state. That is the heart of the matter. And in spite of efforts to hide and cover up the truth, it will always remain so for the one who blamed the government for acting improperly in other security cases. That will be the question. A man stands accused, the former Prime Minister, who would have acted improperly in a case concerning the security of the state. Nothing else is before Parliament at this time.

All devious means will be resorted to. Attempts will be made to divert our attention, as the member for Kamloops (Mr. Fulton) tried to do this afternoon by mentioning an incident no one knew about, namely the interview he claims to have had with the president of the Privy Council (Mr. Favreau).

My attention will not be diverted, Mr. Speaker, for a serious charge has been made. There has already been a case where the security of the State was not dealt with as it should have, and the accused, in this instance, is the former prime minister.

Some claim this is hypothetical. Well, if it is, I know someone's chair, that of the present Minister of Justice (Mr. Cardin), will be pulled out from under him. But, if it is true, then the seat of the present leader of the opposition will be thrown out into the river. It is as plain as that, Mr. Speaker.

Attempts were made to divert our attention. Was Mrs. Munsinger involved in spying activities before coming to Canada? That is not the question. Here is the question: is it a fact that the right hon. Leader of the Opposition mishandled a case where the security of the state was endangered?

Mr. Speaker, there are so many things that we are bound to get confused. The right hon. Leader of the Opposition said on February 28, 1966, as can be found on page 1878 of *Hansard*—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. I hesitate to interrupt the hon. member for Lapointe, but may I point out to him that in the course of the speeches we just heard, hon. members tried to limit their remarks to the terms of reference of the Order in Council that has been proposed by the Prime Minister this afternoon. I, therefore, invite the hon. member, to limit, if possible, his comments to that particular subject.

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, a while ago, the chair was occupied by someone else when the hon. member for Yukon spoke. I think that he did not dwell very long on the subject to which you would like me to limit my remarks. But what I would like to quote from *Hansard* is connected with the said matter.

The right hon. Leader of the Opposition, as recorded on page 1878, left hand column of *Hansard* of February 28, 1966 speaking about the Spencer case:

I immediately add that when the government says security procedures might be revealed I accept that explanation, but—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Can the hon. member connect his comments with the terms of reference. As he knows, we have had some difficulties these last days, precisely because it was very difficult to connect the members' comments to a specific question.

Quite happily, in my opinion, we have at this time something or a subject to which the hon. members may refer, that is the terms of reference contained in the order in council. I would, therefore, invite the hon. member to co-operate with his colleagues in the house, as well as with the Chair, to limit the discussions, at this time, to the main subject.

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, very well. Now, the quotation I wanted to bring forward was a reference to a sentence of the former leader—the Leader of the Opposition who will be the former leader a little later—with reference to a judicial enquiry or terms of reference. However, I will be able to quote it later within the framework of the terms of reference under discussion at this time.

Mr. Speaker, I heard some people say that the terms of reference were not broad enough. I have here a certified copy, a true copy of the proceedings of a privy council