

Time Allocation

Mr. Harquail: Madam Speaker, you have given me the floor.

Madam Speaker: Order. The Hon. Member cannot be debating the motion at the present time because I have not put it before the House. He is raising a point of order on the proceedings which are suggested by the Hon. Member. At the present time there is not a motion before the House.

Mr. Nielsen: The Chair must rule on it.

Madam Speaker: This does not call for a ruling.

Mr. Nielsen: Standing Order 29 applies.

Madam Speaker: The motion moved by the Hon. Member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen) does not call for a ruling; it calls for a vote.

Mr. Nielsen: That is right, forthwith.

Madam Speaker: Could I ask the Table if I can entertain a point of order before a vote.

● (1630)

Mr. Smith: As I understand it, the Member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen) moved his motion after he rose on a point of order, and I would refer you to page 78 of *Beauchesne*, Citation 234, which says that a Member cannot rise on a point of order to move a motion.

Some Hon. Members: No, no.

Mr. Smith: I submit his motion is therefore out of order.

Mr. Nielsen: I did not rise on a point of order. That is precisely why—

Madam Speaker: Order, please, I hope we can resolve this without creating chaos in the House. I understand that I can entertain points of order on the motion that was proposed by the Hon. Member for Yukon, and I will entertain the point of order for the Hon. Member for Restigouche.

Mr. Harquail: Madam Speaker, I want to thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to speak in this House. The Members to your left have been very belligerent in not wishing to show any respect for other Members' rights—

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

An Hon. Member: A point of privilege, Madam Speaker.

Mr. Harquail: Just a moment, I want to get to my point of order.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Madam Speaker: Order, order. If the Hon. Member has a point of order, I would like him to expose the point of order forthwith.

Mr. Harquail: The point of order that I want to make, Madam Speaker, is the fact that you indeed had recognized the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan); you have indeed given him the floor.

Some Hon. Members: No, no.

Mr. Harquail: This is something that is trying to be glazed over, something that is trying to be railroaded in another direction. What I want to state for the benefit of the House is that I, as a Member sitting here, witnessed the fact that you had given the floor to the Minister of Agriculture, and I want to support this particular point—

Mr. Taylor: That is not a point of order.

Mr. Harquail: —to keep the record straight before the House. You had indeed recognized the Minister, and we were underway with his presentation when the Member from British Columbia asked for the floor.

Mr. Epp: I have a point of privilege.

Madam Speaker: We do have some business before the House that I have to deal with. Apparently two Members had risen—

Mr. Nielsen: Madam Speaker, I want to be heard on the point of order that you have entertained.

Madam Speaker: The Hon. Member for Yukon.

Mr. Epp: It is a point of privilege.

Mr. Nielsen: It has been asserted, Madam Speaker, by the candy-back kid, the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council—

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Nielsen: —that it is not possible to move a motion under Standing Order 29 on a point of order. I did not do that and the record will clearly show that I did not do that. I put the motion, after having been recognized by the Chair, without any preliminaries. It will show that quite clearly.

Even if I did, the Hon. Member is wrong. Even if I did rise on a point of order, which I did not, and the record will clearly show that, he is wrong. I would like to cite for the convenience of the Chair *Hansard* for October 26, 1981, commencing at page 12170, where a similar situation arose when the then Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier) was in the chair. At that time he recognized the Hon. Member for Willowdale (Mr. Peterson). This is the exchange that took place: