

*Criminal Code*

Mr. HEENAN: I appeal against the ruling of the chair.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I think the hon. gentleman has confused the privileges of this house with the privileges of another assembly. According to his statement, a report appears in a newspaper of what took place in the legislature of Ontario, and it is contended that the statements thus appearing are not correct. The privilege is the privilege of someone in the legislature to correct an erroneous statement of what was said in the legislature, not here. There has been no question raised as to the accuracy of the hon. gentleman's statement in this house, neither has it been impugned so far as this house is concerned. The newspaper purported to report what took place in another legislature altogether. If they did it inaccurately, the hon. gentleman might say that it was an inaccurate report of what was alleged to have been said by him. But there is no proof that it was said by a member of the legislature of Ontario or that the report in the newspaper is not wholly inaccurate. That is the ground of the objection that I have frequently urged against the reading of newspaper statements in this house. If we all indulged in that practice, practically the whole time of this house would be taken by each member rising in his place from day to day to explain a misstatement of his position with respect to any given matter. In this case the privilege, if any, is of someone in the legislature of Ontario, and not of someone in this parliament.

Mr. HEENAN: I am prepared to accept your ruling, Mr. Speaker. All I want is a square deal in this matter.

Mr. SPEAKER: Order. I have asked the hon. member to keep order. This is no time to speak.

Mr. HEENAN: May I not correct a misquotation of what I said on the floor of this house?

Mr. SPEAKER: That has already been done.

Mr. HEENAN: No, I have not yet corrected it.

Mr. SPEAKER: I have asked the hon. member to resume his seat.

Mr. HEENAN: I am only resuming my seat, Mr. Speaker, on the ground that as a member of this house I have been unfairly treated and I am appealing against the ruling of the chair.

[Mr. Speaker.]

On the order for motions.

Mr. HEENAN: I want to appeal against your ruling, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. SPEAKER: I have ruled that the hon. member is out of order; that is my ruling. He has stated his complaint. He has complained that he was incorrectly reported in a newspaper report of what took place in another legislature which has nothing to do with this house, and I submit that he is not within his rights in going further with the matter here, and I call him to order.

Mr. HEENAN: Then I shall take another opportunity of correcting it.

Mr. SPEAKER: Order. I do not wish to be driven to naming the hon. member and having him expelled from the chamber.

Mr. HEENAN: It makes no difference to me. I will come back again anyhow.

#### AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION

Mr. GROTE STIRLING (Yale) (for Mr. Senn) presented the fourth report of the select standing committee on agriculture and colonization and moved that the report be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

#### INCOME WAR TAX ACT

##### TAX RETURNS TO BE VERIFIED BY DECLARATION

Hon. E. N. RHODES (Minister of Finance) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 70, respecting the Income War Tax Act (declarations on returns).

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Explain.

Mr. RHODES: The title of the bill practically explains its provisions. The bill provides that income tax returns shall be verified by a declaration, and it also sets out the form of the declaration.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

#### CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT

##### AMATEUR BOXING CONTESTS—PROTECTION OF CHILDREN—THEFT OF LOGS

Hon. HUGH GUTHRIE (Minister of Justice) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 71, to amend the criminal code.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Explain.

Mr. GUTHRIE: There are two or three provisions in this bill which I might mention. The first is to exempt from the operation of a section of the criminal code boxing contests