

Business of the House

that we are dealing on Monday with legislation and not with the supplementary estimates. If it is a fact, as the Minister of Finance told us repeatedly in this house, and as it was said—

Mr. Speaker: Order. This is not a period for debate. The hon. member who leads the opposition is entitled to inquire about the business of the day but it appears to me that he is entering on a debate of what should be done.

Mr. Chevrier: I rise on a point of order because I think this is of utmost importance. There are two points I would like to raise in connection with the matter. I do not know if Your Honour was in the chair when at five o'clock I made to the house leader what I thought, after serious consideration, was a reasonable suggestion. I understood consideration was going to be given to that between five and six o'clock and now we are told it will not be considered until the week end.

We were told yesterday and today that the supplementary estimates were of such an important nature, but we are not being asked to deal with these on Monday.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member is entitled to inquire but not settle the order of government business.

Mr. Churchill: That is news to him.

Mr. Chevrier: I am not trying to settle government business and there has been no such suggestion from me or the opposition on our part, but I did put a plan or suggestion which apparently has not even been considered.

Mr. Churchill: With an ultimatum that it be considered by six o'clock. I said we shall consider it over the week end. We shall operate the business of this house and we

do not need to take instruction from the hon. member for Laurier.

Mr. Pickersgill: You are making a rotten mess of it.

Mr. Chevrier: Mr. Speaker, I am not going to allow the leader of the house to make that statement.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The hon. member should resume his seat. There will be opportunities to discuss the issues that are involved.

Mr. Chevrier: Closure.

Mr. Speaker: It being six o'clock I must declare—

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Order.

Mr. Speaker: Did some hon. member indicate an objection?

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): While you are on your feet the hon. gentleman said "closure".

Mr. Chevrier: Yes, sir, I said "closure" but my remarks were not addressed to you. They are addressed to those two hon. gentlemen on the other side of the house.

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Eyewash.

It being three minutes after six o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.

[The following item was passed in committee of supply]:

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

A—Department—

Technical and vocational training assistance—

636. To carry out the purposes of the Technical and Vocational Training Assistance Act and agreements made thereunder—payments to the provinces—further amount required, \$28,400,000.