

I did not make a charge but simply asked if it was true that officers in detention camps in Canada received money from alien prisoners of war to make good their escape or regain their liberty. I asked for that information and have not got it yet. I never asked the Government if the officers in command of the camp at Amherst received money. I had no information to that effect. If I had I should have included it in my inquiry of the Government, but I did put a straight question. I asked if the Government was aware that in the detention camps, especially at Banff, money was paid to a lawyer, the sum of \$50 and upward, to secure the liberty of alien prisoners. I have had no answer to that question, and when the hon. senator from Antigonish tries to connect that accusation or charge, if he wants to call it that, with the affair at Amherst, he is not doing right by justice and truth. He is misleading this honourable House and endeavouring to mislead the country.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—What camp was the hon. gentleman referring to?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—You will find that in the question which I put on the Order Paper regarding the detention camps in Alberta, and especially the camp at Banff.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—Was the hon. gentleman referring to those?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—What else was I referring to? I charge that the hon. gentleman from Antigonish with deliberately and wilfully misrepresenting the position I took in these matters.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—I rise to a point of order.

Hon. SPEAKER—The hon. gentleman has no right to use such expressions.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—What expressions shall I use?

The SPEAKER—The hon. gentleman may use polite expressions.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—What will I call misrepresentation? Putting the facts upside down? Misrepresentation is a first-class word.

The SPEAKER—I have given my decision and do not want the hon. gentleman to discuss the point.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—The word "misrepresent" is unparliamentary; therefore, I

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say the hon. gentleman from Antigonish put the facts upside down, and did not put them straight, as he ought to have done in making this charge against me in a public matter in which I have absolutely no interest, but in which the people of Canada have all interest.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—I have quoted the hon. gentleman's words, and they are against his contention.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—I know you have quoted my words, and quoted them upside down from one page to the other, and if you were able to read—and the hon. senator ought to be able to read—

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—I am able to read, and I quoted your words from your speech, and they condemn you.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—I do not wish to conclude the debate, for other gentlemen have a right to speak, but I want to read over very carefully this large volume of evidence and findings of the court-martial, I therefore beg to move the adjournment of the debate.

The SPEAKER—If the hon. gentleman wants to move the adjournment of the debate he is acting within his right.

Hon. Mr. BOYER—Before the adjournment of the debate is carried I suppose I can speak on it?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—Yes.

Hon. Mr. BOYER—I have just glanced over that report, and find that the fact remains that twelve German prisoners escaped from the detention camp at Amherst. If any French, English, or Canadian prisoners had escaped from a German detention camp in Germany what would have happened to the German officers in charge of the camp?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—They would have been shot.

Hon. Mr. BOYER—We have some friends who have been prisoners in Germany ever since the war began, and how many of them have escaped? How many of them have we been able to negotiate to exchange for men of equal value? Not one. Let me tell you how the French prisoners are treated in a German detention camp. A Mr. Therrien, who was a medical student, volunteered the very day war broke out to serve in a hospital in France. He was some seventeen or eighteen years of age, and was