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**Mr. Slogan:** It is quite true that the Liberal party has modified its stand on this question a number of times and—

**Mr. Grégoire:** You said that two minutes ago.

**Mr. Leboe:** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I think this has gone on long enough and it is not contributing anything to the debate. This hon. member, who is now sitting at the back here, is piping away and piping away, and I am getting fed up with it.

**Mr. Churchill:** On the same point of order, Mr. Speaker, I want to reinforce what has just been said. Special privileges in this house are being allowed the member for Lapointe and I think it is high time standing order 12(1) was applied in order that we may have the maintenance of order and decorum in this house. The member for Lapointe is the worst offender and yet he has not been called to order by the Speaker. He should be named and put out of the House of Commons.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear.

**Mr. Starr:** Nobody would miss him.

[Translation]

**Mr. Grégoire:** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Actually, I believe that the worst offenders against the rules of the house are the Conservatives who rehash continuously the same things, and we cannot help but bring it to their attention. They have reached the point of stupidity, and we show them they are being ridiculous. They should be expelled from the house.

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**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order. The point raised by hon. members is well taken, but I believe I should bring to the attention of the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre that the hon. member who interrupted was brought to order on a number of occasions in the course of the speech now being made by the hon. member for Springfield (Mr. Slogan).

**Mr. Churchill:** No, not once.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** I would ask the cooperation of the hon. member for Lapointe in allowing the hon. member who has the floor to continue and conclude his speech without interruption.

**Mr. Grégoire:** Yes, Mr. Speaker; but he does not have to repeat himself.

[Mr. Grégoire.]

**Mr. Slogan:** Mr. Speaker, if anybody has repeated himself for the umpteenth time in this house, it is the hon. member.

**Mr. Starr:** And he has said nothing.

**Mr. Slogan:** I would hope he would bear the same good will toward me as a member of a minority group from the prairies as I bear toward him as a member of French Canadian origin from Quebec.

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, on that point I would like to take—

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member for Springfield has the floor. If the hon. member for Lapointe wants to raise a question of privilege or a point of order he will have to be recognized by the Chair; but I would suggest it might be more appropriate to extend to the hon. member the courtesy of concluding his remarks.

**Mr. Grégoire:** On a question of privilege, then, I would like to say to the hon. member for Springfield that I have nothing personal against him, that I admire him very much; but I cannot approve of the way that whole group is acting.

**Mr. Churchill:** Order.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** The hon. member for Springfield.

**Mr. Slogan:** Mr. Speaker, I will conclude my remarks very shortly because I think my time is just about up. As I said at the very beginning, I am not here to fan any fires of racial hatred or anything else. I am speaking as a Canadian who loves his country, wants to see his country united, wants to see his country prosper in the world, and wants to see Canadians able to hold their heads high when they talk about their country. I believe I am expressing some of the views which should be taken to heart by all members of parliament. I think that in a spirit of good will we can thrash this question out, but it is perfectly obvious that this House of Commons cannot reach a decision on this matter without creating a great deal more disunity, without creating a great deal more animosity and bitterness and without opening many more wounds in the flesh of this country. I do not want to see this happen. I think we should have unity. I believe we as a parliament have failed our country by not being more unanimous in our views on this subject; but those views, though they are not unanimous, are strongly and loyally held in the interests of Canada. For this