

Alleged Corruption in Government

[Translation]

Mr. Rodolphe Leduc (Gatineau): Mr. Speaker, I listened with a great deal of interest to the speeches of the hon. member for Burnaby-Coquitlam (Mr. Douglas) and the hon. member for Red Deer (Mr. Thompson). I share their views. We should not waste the valuable time of the house in discussing innuendoes on the part of the opposition.

If members of the opposition want to make charges, let them have the courage to do so, not inside but outside the house. I dare them to do it. By their insinuations in this house we see their lack of courage, and here I would add that the leader of the official opposition (Mr. Diefenbaker) is himself setting the example through the insinuations he is making against the government, the Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice. He does not even have the courage to repeat those charges outside the house.

I want to say right here—and I want the whole country to know it—that not only is the Leader of the Opposition a two-faced man, but one of many faces and, to prove it, I have here pictures taken yesterday during the flag-raising ceremonies—

Mr. Lambert: Shut up.

[Text]

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Graffey: Are you a member of the new or the old guard?

[Translation]

Mr. Leduc: Today's *Ottawa Citizen* shows that the Leader of the Opposition—

Mr. Speaker: These remarks are not relevant to the subject under consideration.

Mr. Leduc: Mr. Speaker, we are discussing a motion moved by the Conservative opposition and I should like to prove the lack of sincerity of its members and that they have not the courage to say outside the house what they are saying here and furthermore, that the former prime minister, the present Leader of the Opposition is two-faced. While the new Canadian flag was being raised he averted his eyes.

Mr. Grégoire: In view of the fact that the hon. member has been asleep for eight years, would you consider giving him one hour so that he may wake up?

[Text]

Mr. Speaker: Order.

Mr. Starr: Mr. Speaker—

[Mr. Thompson.]

[Translation]

Mr. Leduc: Mr. Speaker, I should like to answer the hon. member who claims that I have been asleep for eight years.

An hon. Member: It is true.

Mr. Leduc: If you would just give me two minutes—

[Text]

Mr. Starr: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member for Ontario (Mr. Starr) has already spoken to this motion. I do not think it is in order to speak twice on the same motion.

Mr. Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Find out his name. Where did he come from?

Mr. Speaker: Order. Do any other hon. members desire to address the Chair on this motion?

Mr. Fisher: No.

Mr. Speaker: A motion has been made to adjourn the house in accordance with standing order 26. Beauchesne's fourth edition, citation 100(3), defines urgency as "urgency of debate". This has been referred to many times during the past few months. If hon. members would also care to look at citation 100(8), in the middle of the paragraph they will see, referring to the remarks of one Speaker:

"—What I think was contemplated, was an occurrence of some sudden emergency, either in home or in foreign affairs—"

Then if hon. members would look at paragraph (9):

Matters arising out of the debates of the same session, or the term of a bill before the house of lords, matters of privilege or order, or matters debatable only upon a substantive motion, cannot be submitted to the house under this standing order.

Although that refers to the particular standing order of the United Kingdom, nevertheless its terms are similar to our standing order 26.

I should like to remind hon. members, as was stated here a few moments ago, that many of these allegations referred to in this proposed motion to adjourn are under inquiry at the present time. Some are before the courts. I would also refer hon. members to citation 127(2), which reads as follows:

Unless discussion is based upon a substantive motion drawn in proper terms, reflections must not be cast in debate upon the conduct of the