

this or that. I contend it was a straight vote on a substantive resolution, and that the main motion is still before the committee. So I must ask for a vote on the main motion.

The CHAIRMAN: What do you have to say, Mr. Simmons?

Mr. SIMMONS: I mentioned that it was an amendment to the motion made by Mr. Fulton.

Mr. FULTON: It was not an amendment as such and it was not presented as such.

Mr. JUTRAS: At the time the amendment was presented, Mr. Fulton did not raise the point of order.

Mr. FULTON: Yes, I did!

Mr. JUTRAS: But we did not vote on it at the time. We voted on the amendment, and the amendment was accepted by the committee as an amendment.

Mr. FULTON: Surely this committee can only vote on a motion as read by the Chairman. The Chairman would usually know about the meaning of the motion. He did not read the amendment to that effect and the motion was amended. We therefore voted on what in effect it is—a substantive resolution. You still have a motion before the chair which I presented and which has not been voted on, amended, or dealt with, and I am asking that we have a vote on the motion.

Mr. JUTRAS: Is it not a fact that the Chairman always referred to what Mr. Simmons raised as an amendment? He accepted it from Mr. Simmons as an amendment and ruled on it as an amendment.

Mr. FULTON: The Chairman cannot rule it an amendment if in fact it is not. That has been clearly established.

Mr. NOSEWORTHY: You should give us the original motion plus the amendment.

The CHAIRMAN: If it is agreeable to the committee, and if the committee so orders, we will put the motion once more, have it amended once more, and start the whole thing over again.

Mr. WOOD: That might be the quickest way.

Mr. GIBSON: Yes, let us do that.

The CHAIRMAN: It has been agreed that I shall again put the motion. It is:

That in addition to any other witnesses to be heard your committee should call and hear evidence from representative Indian delegates on their desires and opinions with respect to bill 79.

Now, it has been amended by Mr. Simmons as follows:

That all of the words after "that" be struck out and that the following be substituted therefor: This committee is of the opinion that no further evidence is now required for our purposes and that we recommend that further consideration be given to the Indian Act in two years' time.

Mr. FULTON: On a point of order I would say that is not an amendment; it is a direct negative.

The CHAIRMAN: I have already ruled that it is an amendment.

Mr. FULTON: I appeal the ruling.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Fulton is now appealing from the ruling of the Chair that this is not a proper amendment. All those in favour of upholding the Chairman's ruling will please say yes?