

Mr. Siddon: Because the House should work.

Mr. Ouellet: I hope this will be considered seriously and that we will get on with the long overdue amendment to our working schedule in Parliament.

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): I will leave that one alone.

Hon. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Madam Speaker, I rise on another point of order, but now that I am on my feet, perhaps I should reject the suggestion that we should work any shorter a week than we are now working.

Mr. Ouellet: Now we know who blocks reforms here.

Mr. Knowles: A three-day work week would be an even greater reform—is that what you want?

Mr. Ouellet: There is no reason why we cannot work longer hours on three or four days.

Madam Speaker: I thought the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) was rising on a different question of privilege which I should like to hear, if possible.

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POINTS OF ORDER

MR. KNOWLES—USE BY MEMBERS OF AIR TRAVEL PRIVILEGES

Hon. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Madam Speaker, perhaps I should call it a point of order to save Your Honour having to rule on it. During motions under Standing Order 43 today, the hon. member for Vancouver Centre (Miss Carney) moved one in which she referred to the fact that members of Parliament have the right to do their air travelling in Canada first class.

I should like to make the point, although the member did not say that all our travel is first class, that there was an implication there which I think should be corrected. Many of us—perhaps most of us—do our air travelling in Canada economy class, and I think that should be on the record.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

MR. EVANS—STATEMENT MADE BY MR. BEATTY

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance): Madam Speaker, I rise on a point of order of which I gave notice on November 26, 1980. I refer to page 5092 of *Hansard* and a question of the hon. member for Wellington-Dufferin-Simcoe (Mr. Beatty) during question period to the Right Hon. Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau). In the question the member indicated clearly that the testimony of Mr. Justice Clyde of Vancouver before the constitutional committee indicated that the proposed actions of the government with regard to the constitution were, in his opinion, unconstitutional. I should like to have that matter reviewed, because I listened to the testimony and that is not

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what he said. In fact, he said they were constitutional in his opinion.

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): That is not a point of order. It is something which occurred during committee proceedings.

Madam Speaker: Yes, the hon. member should know that he should not refer to proceedings of committees in the House. However, I have listened to his point of order and I will just leave it at that.

● (1230)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE '80s

Second report of the special committee on Employment Opportunities for the '80s—Mr. Allmand.

[Editor's Note: For text of above report, see today's *Votes and Proceedings*.]

Mr. Jim Hawkes (Calgary West): Madam Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege. I am the vice-chairman of the committee and I would like to bring to the attention of the House that I have not yet seen the report which has just been tabled.

I understand from question period that the committee was dictated to by the government House leader. I would need some time to prepare a question of privilege adequately on the report. Therefore I would request Your Honour's indulgence to allow me time to review the record and look at the report.

Hon. Warren Allmand (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce): Madam Speaker, I rise with respect to the same matter. Notice of the meeting to prepare the report referred to was given to all members on the committee, including the hon. member opposite. He was telephoned and he knew when the meeting was to take place. The reason he did not see the report is that he did not attend the meeting. He was told. I discussed the content of the report with him on several occasions. I did so a few minutes ago in the House. At that time he did not mention the point he has just raised to me.

[Translation]

Hon. Yvon Pinard (President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the hon. member of the opposition claims that I gave instructions with regard to the preparation of the report that was just tabled. I want it to be clear once and for all that that is absolutely false. What the hon. member has just said is absolutely untrue. It may be wishful thinking on his part, but I can assure him it is not the case. I gave no instructions whatsoever to that committee. The committee in question is a parliamentary task force which is to report on December 19. I understand this report is a preliminary report,