

*Personnel Changes in Standing Committees*

It is, therefore, antidemocratic to tell all the Liberals: Vote like your leader, otherwise you get thrown out. That is the democracy of the Liberal party! After throwing them out, an attempt is made to deprive them of their candy, of their lollipops, and they are to be kept from sitting as members of committees.

The hon. Minister of Justice said more than that, Mr. Speaker. In the same article, still speaking about the democracy of the Liberal party, he said:

For the sake of realism and efficiency I had to, God forgive me, occasionally betray some of the revolts of my youth, but I have yet to trample down democracy.

If democracy is not being trampled under foot at the present time, what is happening then?

I hope that the Minister of Justice will protest against the attacks on democracy at the present time, since democracy is now under attack because the hon. member for York-Humber has been ousted from the Liberal party for his refusal to vote according to party line. Efforts are made to turn the Liberals into sheep and get them all to vote with their leader; if they refuse, they are thrown out, they are punished.

The Minister of Justice also said in the same article, and I quote:

The lead sheep having shown the way, the others followed with the elegance of cattle rushing to the feeding-trough.

That is what the Minister of Justice thought of the Liberal party in 1963. He saw it as a flock of sheep, a herd of cattle.

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Today, the Liberal party is on the point of doing the same thing again. It introduces a motion to increase taxes and forces all its members to vote for it, otherwise it turns them out. The Minister of Justice qualified the antidemocratic actions of the Liberal party like the one they are taking today as follows:

—even if Mr. Pearson was right in changing his mind personally, I should also denounce the autocratic Liberal structures and the extraordinary cowardice of its members.

The Minister of Justice, because he regarded the Liberal party as a flock of sheep, said:

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Mr. Speaker, I therefore say this to the members of the Liberal party: That is what [Mr. Grégoire.]

the Minister of Justice thinks of you and he will think it even more later, since you are behaving in an undemocratic way by saying: We must vote like the leader, we must vote together with the party, or else we will be thrown out, no more lollipops! The Minister of Justice is calling you a flock of sheep.

I hear one of them bleating: the hon. member for Lévis (Mr. Guay)—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. Would the hon. member please direct his remarks to the Chair?

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, I want to direct my remarks to the Chair, but what I am doing today is so serious that I cannot help quoting certain statements of the Minister of Justice in order to denounce afterwards the antidemocratic reflexes of the “aboulitic Liberal flock”.

This is what the Minister of Justice said in a situation like that—

**Mr. Schreyer:** Would the hon. member allow me a question?

**Mr. Grégoire:** Certainly.

**Mr. Schreyer:** What is the title of the article which he is quoting?

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, that is a good question. It is an article published by the Minister of Justice in the magazine *Cité libre* of April 1963 under the title: “Pearson or the abdication of the mind.”

In that article, the Minister of Justice said, referring to the Liberals:

Tous des caves, ma foi.

In English, we would say: All Liberals are lousy, by God.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order.

**Mr. Trudeau:** Would the hon. member allow me a question?

**Mr. Grégoire:** Certainly.

**Mr. Trudeau:** If the hon. member is ready to take as authority what I wrote about the Liberals at that time, is he also ready to admit what I said about the independentists and Social Crediters?

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, I am willing to agree to all that the Minister of Justice was saying then, but since that time he has changed his mind and I can tell you why. In a quotation—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. May I remind the hon. member that the motion now before the