

*Privilege—Mr. Dinsdale*

**Mr. Speaker:** Perhaps the hon. member might take the opportunity of checking exactly what the hon. member for Dauphin said and the part he wants to refute. Is the letter he has written to these various newspapers in reply to what the hon. member for Dauphin has said?

**Mr. Dinsdale:** No, Mr. Speaker. I sat down immediately on seeing the Canadian Press release last November 6 and tried to put the record straight. I think the hon. member for Dauphin must have seen my letter to the editors, because it was published in each of the newspapers. He made the same charge this afternoon, notwithstanding my letter of explanation which appeared in each of the newspapers concerned.

**Mr. Speaker:** Would the hon. member be good enough to tell the house what is the charge to which he is referring, and then give us a statement to the effect that the charge is not correct and leave it at that?

**Mr. Dinsdale:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The hon. member quoted a Canadian Press release dealing with the speech in which I was supposed to have said that I would rather see a communist sent to Ottawa than another Liberal. That is the statement I wish to deny emphatically. I did deny it at the

time in the only way possible, by immediately writing letters to the editors concerned. With your permission I should like to put that letter on the record, if you think it is necessary.

**Mr. Speaker:** May I point out to the hon. member that I do not think it is necessary for him to read the letter as further evidence of his denial of the statement which was attributed to him so many days ago, and which was repeated in this house today. The hon. member is now making a statement denying what was charged by the hon. member for Dauphin, and that statement must be accepted by the house, notwithstanding the fact that the hon. member has written a letter. Even if he had not written a letter to the newspapers his statement must be accepted by the house.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

**Mr. Green:** May I ask the Minister of Finance the business for tomorrow?

**Mr. Harris:** I understood we were going on with this debate, Mr. Speaker.

It being five minutes after ten o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.