

*Administration of Justice*

dead. He said that according to available information, she was supposed to have died four years ago.

Today, we learn that she is not dead. We learn from an article by Mr. Robert Reguly that Miss Munsinger is still alive—

[English]

**Mr. Churchill:** I rise on a point of order.

[Translation]

**Mr. Caouette:** Mr. Speaker, would you ask the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre to sit down and remain glued to it so that I can finish what I have to say?

[English]

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order. The hon. member for Villeneuve was raising a point of order.

**Mr. Churchill:** He had started to read a press report when I rose on my point of order. He was reading a press report to the effect that this woman is alive.

**Mr. Caouette:** I raised a point of order, as did the hon. member a moment ago, and I did not interfere with his right to do so. I ask the hon. member, therefore, not to interfere with my right.

**Mr. Nielsen:** Then do not try and smuggle in the report.

**Mr. Caouette:** Oh, we know you.

**Mr. Ricard:** We know you, too.

[Translation]

**Mr. Caouette:** Mr. Speaker, the point is to get the facts straight.

The hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre claims the Minister of Justice stated that Miss Munsinger was dead. That is not exactly what he said. Apparently, he stated that according to information, she had died four years ago. So today, March 11, 1966, we discover she is very much alive and that she has spoken over the phone with Mr. Reguly of the *Toronto Star* and the story has it—

[English]

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order; a few moments ago the Chair was going to suggest that it return the floor to the hon. member for Villeneuve. Now, it is not so sure. I again ask the hon. member to refrain from quoting from this newspaper article and to proceed with his remarks.

**Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton South):** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, we have an hon. member who gets up on a point of order and

[Mr. Caouette.]

raves away for 15 minutes without reaching it. My point of order is that reference has been made to a woman living in Germany who earlier was reported dead.

• (4:20 p.m.)

I have read the press reports, now, and I point out to you and to all hon. members of this house, that there is a dissimilarity in the names. The names are not even alike.

**Mr. Langlois (Megantic):** On a point of order; this is the first time in this house I have seen the official opposition in such a pitiful state that they are afraid of the dead.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** There is no point of order.

[Translation]

**Mr. Caouette:** Mr. Speaker, I am not making a statement, I am asking questions. The Conservatives do not understand anything about that. Have I the right to ask questions of the government and the Minister of Justice? I am not doing anything against citations 156, 157, 158 or 398 in Beauchesne. All I want is to ask questions, I am not making any statement myself. I take full responsibility for the questions I ask.

Is it true, for instance—I put the question to the Minister of Justice or to a former Minister of Justice, in case there is one who might wish to answer on the other side—that Miss Munsinger was very well acquainted with Hon. Pierre Sévigny, the former Associate Minister of National Defence, at Ottawa?

Now, the Munsinger case, as it was brought before the house—

[English]

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** I think this is quite irrelevant to the proceedings now before the house.

**Mr. Churchill:** May I have the floor, then, if the hon. member is ruled out of order?

[Translation]

**Mr. Caouette:** I maintain, Mr. Speaker, that I have the right to ask questions.

So, is it true, as mentioned in statements we can read today, that another minister in the former Diefenbaker government knew "Miss Munsinger" perfectly well?

Now, is the Munsinger case, as mentioned in the article, a sexual affair or a matter of security in Canada?