

insinuation that the Senator's political influence was ever used to help this project either at Quebec or at Ottawa. The Senator's very clear and conclusive evidence, on this point, is corroborated by Mr. Jones and by Mr. Geoffrion, as above set out.

If, therefore, any insinuation is to be found in section 15 (3) of the Report, such insinuation is utterly unfair and completely refuted by an impartial reading of the evidence.

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Section 15 (4) of the Report reads as follows:—

It transpired when Mr. Sweezy returned to give further evidence that Senator Raymond had received from Mr. Sweezy some \$200,000 of campaign funds for the Liberal party. The commendable frankness would seem to require that Senator Raymond should have disclosed this to the Committee if he wished the Committee to understand that he was stating fairly his connection between the Government and the Beauharnois promoters.

Your Committee will please note that, in his first examination, Mr. Sweezy had not touched the question of electoral campaign funds. Mr. Sweezy was recalled on the 17th July, 1931, namely one day after the Senator had given his own evidence. (Blue Book, pages 819 etc.).

On the 16th July, 1931, no reference to campaign funds had been made as yet, and the Senator was not questioned at all on this point. The Senator, as a witness, was bound to limit his answers to the questions as put and, on one occasion at least (Blue Book, p. 795) he was reminded so to do.

Had he been examined on the question of contributions to campaign funds, he would have stated, as he did before your Honourable Committee, that, during the electoral campaign of 1930, acting as trustee for the funds of the Liberal party, and in that capacity only, without any solicitation, he had been offered by and had received from Mr. Sweezy the sum which this gentleman mentioned in his later statement to the Committee. In due course, all this money was turned over to the Treasurer of the party. (Proceedings of the Special Committee of the Senate, pp. 34 and 147).

At the conclusion of the Senator's evidence before the Special Committee of the House of Commons, the Chairman said:—

Are there any further questions? Well, Senator, we thank you for attending here at the inquiry and giving your evidence. There are no further questions the members of the Committee or Counsel care to ask you, unless you have some questions, Mr. Hellmuth. . . . (Blue book, p. 799).

No further question was asked and Mr. Lennox, a member of the Committee, added:—"I think the Senator should be commended for his frankness." (Ibid.)

Later, the Senator received a telegram from the Committee summoning him to Ottawa. Upon his arrival, he saw a member of the Committee, the Honourable Ian Mackenzie, who said he thought the Senator would not be needed on that day. In the afternoon, the Senator received word that he was not wanted on that day. Notwithstanding that, he stayed over until the evening, when he was informed personally by Mr. Mackenzie that the Chairman, Mr. Gordon, had instructed him (Mr. Mackenzie) to tell the Senator that he did not think he would be wanted any more.

Thereupon, the Senator requested Mr. Mackenzie to inform the Chairman that he would be available at any time, on three hours' notice.