

Senator Golding set a very rigid, daily routine for himself. At 7.20 in the morning he could be seen arriving at this building, and he stayed here until 9.30 at night. He did this one day after another. It was rather a killing pace, but that was the way he wanted to conduct his life. If I did not look in at his door and say "Good morning", when I saw him the next morning he would say, "You did not call in yesterday." So I made a point of going into his room and having a word or two with him. I had many conversations with him, and although I knew him perhaps not nearly as long as many honourable senators, I think I knew him as well as most.

In his youth he decided on a certain course of conduct that he intended to follow. It is one thing to have knowledge, to know what one should do, but it is an entirely different thing to have the wisdom at all times to follow that course. His line was no crooked one; he followed it to the letter. He knew when he got up each morning where he was going and what he was going to do. He was of an independent nature. He was so independent that he refused to take the pension until he was over 80 years of age, and then only after his daughter obtained the necessary papers and got him to sign them. Until then he was perfectly content to get along without a pension.

Senator Golding was a machinist by trade, and he was a success in that occupation. The Leader of the Government has told us about the various activities which he pursued. He was chairman of the Scott Memorial Hospital at Seaforth for 20 years. When he retired from that position the hospital had \$18,000 in bonds after meeting expenses.

He felt that one should have enough money on which to live and pay his bills, but beyond that he was not too much interested in money. He told me on one occasion, "When you come to the end of your life if you have not a good character you go out of this life empty handed and take nothing into the next world." That is the standard by which Senator Golding lived.

I had letters from him to the same effect as those which the Leader of the Government received. I received one from him on November 1. At that time he was quite sick. He wrote that he was living from day to day and was fully prepared for whatever might happen. I received another long letter which he had written on December 28, in his own handwriting, and in it he said that he hoped to meet us here when Parliament met.

Senator Golding left what he wanted to leave, an honourable name to his family. This house is much poorer for the loss that we

have sustained, and I am sure that I am joined by every honourable senator in extending sincere sympathy to his family.

Hon. Jean-François Pouliot: Honourable senators, I hesitate to rise, having listened to such fine tributes given in such a large number to our deceased colleagues. In spite of their proverbial modesty, both of them had similar qualities. They had wisdom; they had broadmindedness; they had loyalty to their friends; and they had all the qualities that are to be expected from public men. They were men with a very high sense of duty. Very often I sought the advice of Senator Golding when I did not know exactly what course to follow. I relied on him.

What will not surprise honourable senators is that all of the good things that have been said about both of our lamented colleagues was said by them, during their lifetime, about all of us.

I wrote to the family of Senator Golding, after having heard of his departure, and one of his daughters replied as follows:

Dad talked so much about his friends in the Senate and in Ottawa that I feel I have known most of them all my life, even though I have not met them personally. I know Dad valued your friendship over these many years that you have been together in Parliament.

That is a tribute that honours all of us.

Both Senator Léger and Senator Golding were the salt of the earth. We shall miss them in this chamber. We shall miss them in the committees where they sat and where they demonstrated their experience and good judgment. We will remember them as good friends and good citizens.

(Translation):

Hon. Cyrille Vaillancourt: Honourable senators, may another Quebec member express his condolences to the families of our two colleagues who left us since the last session. They have both passed on. They are no longer among us, but their memory will endure.

It seems to me that two things could be learned from the lives of both those late colleagues: Senator Leger, always gentle, quiet, but true to his duties, seems to have always lived according to the saying that: good seldom comes from noise and is almost always done without noise. He was a steady worker.

Senator Golding, while he was not a lawyer, always made relevant remarks. I always wondered how he could remember such relevant comments. One day I asked him and he replied: "I lived among the people, and you know that the ordinary people