

mentioned that he was not a partisan; he certainly was not a narrow partisan. An ardent Liberal, he thoroughly believed in Liberal principles but, as I have already said, he did his own thinking and followed his own conscience.

The late Senator Buchanan also had a tremendous love for Waterton Lakes National Park in southern Alberta, which he did so much to establish and build up.

Senator Buchanan was called at a time when he had so many reasons for wanting to remain. First of all, there was his family, and then he had just seen completed the construction of a splendid new building to house his beloved Lethbridge *Herald*.

Senator Buchanan, who had the love and affection of everyone who knew him, could always be called upon to give everything he had to public service or any cause that needed his help. He was always ready to go at a moment's notice to any part of Alberta where duty, political or otherwise, called.

I cannot say enough about my memory of the late Senator Buchanan. We had always been intimate friends. His friends were my friends and my friends were his friends. I have felt his passing most deeply, and I know that everyone in my province sincerely mourns the loss of such a wonderful adopted son of Alberta. There is nothing more I can add. There are many things I would like to have said in a much better way, but I am glad of the opportunity to pay tribute to my old friend of over fifty years' standing, a man for whom I always had the deepest affection and regard.

I did not know our late colleague, Senator Beauregard, nearly so well, but I knew him to be a man who impelled respect and affection. To the families of those two departed colleagues I wish to extend my very deepest sympathy at this time.

Hon. W. Rupert Davies: Honourable senators, occasions such as this are always sad and perhaps a little depressing. For that reason I shall be brief. I should like to endorse everything that has been said about the late Senator Beauregard, who was our highly respected Speaker for some four or five years, but I particularly want to pay tribute to my late senatorial friend and newspaper colleague, Bill Buchanan. I knew Senator Buchanan for about 30 to 35 years. I sat with him on the board of the Canadian Press for 20 years, during two years of which he was the presiding officer. The honourable senator from Winnipeg (Hon. Mr. Haig) spoke of Senator Buchanan's interest in the dominion newspaper organization. I have here a book on the history of

the Canadian Press, the co-operative news gathering organization of this country, and I would like to tell the house that this non-partisan, non-profit-making organization, owned and operated by the newspapers of this country, was born in the Canadian west. The newspapermen of the west found that getting news from the east and far countries was a very difficult business indeed, when they started their newspapers out there in the early days of the century, and even before. I do not know what part Senator Buchanan played in stirring them up, but they became more and more agitated about the situation as time went on. They were getting very little news and paying a very big price for it. In this book entitled *The Story of the Canadian Press*, by M. E. Nichols, President of the Canadian Press in 1931-33, is a picture of a group which had met in Winnipeg in 1910 to see if they could do something about the poor news services which were being purveyed. In the very front row is Bill Buchanan. Some of the western senators will know the others, such as M. E. Nichols, of Vancouver, J. W. Daffoe, editor of the *Winnipeg Free Press*, and Tom Miller, publisher of the *Moose Jaw Times*, who was Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan for a short period before his death.

These men decided to do something about a better news service. As I have said, the late Senator Buchanan was always in the very forefront. Eventually, in 1917, they came to Ontario and met with Senator Jaffray, of the *Globe*, John Ross Robertson, of the *Telegram*, and two or three others, and that was when the Canadian Press was born. Perhaps it is true to say that the Canadian Press was born in the West, but it had achieved, shall I say, at least a youthful appearance by 1917.

I saw much of Senator Buchanan at our newspaper meetings. I sat with him once when he was president of a committee which was dealing with an application from the telegraphers for more money. We sat as a sort of labour committee, and I was very much impressed at that time with the kindness and fairness with which he approached the whole matter. Too often there is a feeling that when employees ask for more money they do not need it and do not deserve it. Buchanan did not take that attitude, but he listened very patiently to everything the delegation had to say. We sat down around the table, and it was largely due to his kindly interest and fairness that a very amicable conclusion was reached. I only wish some other industrial disputes, which seem to hang like