

when he makes his next speech he will forget about the typewriter because he has proved that extemporaneity is his forte.

Senator Sullivan spoke in a deeply moving and restrained way, as indeed did Senator White. I think their speeches are a warning to the oratorical gentleman from Carleton (Hon. Mr. O'Leary), that perhaps he should look to his oratorical laurels so far as they are concerned. Senator White, Senator Sullivan and Senator O'Leary proved that while it may not be necessary to be Irish to be oratorical, it would seem to help considerably.

May I say too that we listened with care and attention to the speeches made in the French language by Senator Gouin, Senator Vaillancourt and Senator Fournier (De Lanaudière). These are speakers of whom we can be proud. They are men who know how to express a point of view, that point of view which is so typical of the people from whom they spring. They gave us a meaningful concept of phrases like "the native land", "the big land", "the beautiful land"—"la terre de nos aïeux".

Senator Hnatyshyn said something that we should not forget. He said that in this matter there are no winners and there are no losers. There is an axiom used by Crown counsel in Canada, which runs: *nunquam rex lucratur, nunquam rex spoliatur*. The Crown never wins, and the Crown never loses. In a debate of this kind I would hope that none of us would consider that he either won or lost.

We have had speeches from the west, from the east and from central Canada. We had from Senator White that most moving passage in a very distinguished speech about the burial of a young soldier. I am sure it affected all of us very deeply. We had from Senator Gladstone such a wonderful description of the colour of Indian customs. I tell Senator Gladstone that the change in the flag makes no change in any treaty, because a change in the flag will not change the character or the honour or the integrity of the Canadian people.

I am sure we were most interested to hear from Senator Rattenbury. This may have been his first speech in the Senate. If it was not, then it was one of his very early ones and he made a fine contribution.

Lastly, I mention the speech made by the honourable Leader of the Opposition (Hon. Mr. Brooks) tonight. We all know how deeply Senator Brooks feels about this issue. I do not think anybody would feel anything but pride in the way he put his points. His was a magnificent performance, and we will always say we were proud to sit in this chamber with him.

Honourable senators, I do not agree that this flag is conceived in political partisanship. I hope, in any event, it will not be accepted and established in a spirit of political partisanship. When I spoke at the opening of the debate I said that after looking at the significant steps that have been taken in the constitutional development of this country by Liberals, by Conservatives, and by every Prime Minister that we have ever had, we find we have in this land the substance of sovereignty. I say that this resolution will now allow the symbol to overtake that substance.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, it is moved by the honourable Senator Connolly, seconded by the honourable Senator Vaillancourt:

That this House do recommend to the Government that such steps as may be necessary be taken to have designated as the National Flag of Canada a red flag of the proportions two by length and one by width, containing in its centre a white square, the width of the flag, bearing a single red maple leaf, or in heraldic terms, described as *gules on a Canadian pale argent a maple leaf of the first*.

Is it your pleasure, honourable senators, to adopt the motion?

Those in favour of the motion will please say "Content".

Some Hon. Senators: Content.

The Hon. the Speaker: Those against the motion will please say "Non-content".

Some Hon. Senators: Non-content.

The Hon. the Speaker: In my opinion, the Contents have it.

Hon. Mr. Brooks: Mr. Speaker—

The Hon. the Speaker: Call in the senators.

Motion of Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West) adopted on the following division:

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