

people not only in his own province, but throughout the whole of Canada. He spoke of his desire that we should have a trained youth, skilled to make a living and also trained in the mind so as to be able to serve Canada in the years to come. I was much impressed by the views he expressed that evening upon the training of our youth for the future.

Most of us who live in Western Canada are perhaps not as intimately acquainted as we should be with other parts of the country, particularly with the province of Quebec, but I think men of the distinction of our late leader, and men like the late Ernest Lapointe and others who have been associated with our public life since Confederation, have done more than any one else to bring about a proper feeling between the two races in the different parts of this country. Senator Dandurand was a broad-minded man. I looked upon him also as one of the hardest-working men whom I ever met in public life. He worked hard as the leader of the Senate, in his capacity as a member of committees of this House and in other public spheres. But above all, he was a courteous, kindly gentleman. I like to think of him also as being probably the most distinguished Canadian in the minds of many people in other countries of the world, for he came to be known throughout Europe and South America as an eminent, cultured and scholarly representative of this country at the League of Nations. Whenever I have had occasion to meet men from foreign lands, one of the first Canadian names to be mentioned in the conversation has always been that of Senator Dandurand.

I should like also to say something about the late Senator Rhodes, because I had intimate relations with him during the time I served in the House of Commons. I can truly say that I learned to love the man. It was in my early days in the House of Commons that he was Speaker, and he was always a good friend to me. No Speaker was more kindly and considerate than Edgar Rhodes. He deserves all the tributes that have been paid to him. I doubt if in the whole history of our parliamentary Chambers anyone has filled the position of Speaker with as great distinction as he did.

We are thinking to-day in terms of men falling on battle-fields throughout the world. I wonder if these two friends of ours did not fall on the battle-field of public service. One suffered an infiction that undoubtedly came from service he rendered during a period of great strain in the economic life of Canada; and the other, our late distinguished leader,

served Canada devotedly until the last moment of his life, always industrious, always willingly assuming the tasks that it was his duty to perform as leader of this House.

Both our departed friends were splendid examples to us here and to Canadian citizens everywhere. If the youth of this country can follow the careers of the late Senators Dandurand and Rhodes, we need not fear for the future of our parliamentary institutions.

Hon. J. W. deB. FARRIS: Honourable senators, so much has already been said in the Press and in and out of Parliament by way of warm-hearted tribute to the late Senator Dandurand, that almost anything I might add now would be repetition; but I have within me a feeling that I should like to say a word about him, and that feeling is not vicariously satisfied, although what has been said already has been said more authoritatively, perhaps, and certainly better than I could say it.

Some honourable members who have spoken here knew Senator Dandurand for a long time, and intimately. That was not my privilege. I did not know him until I came to the Senate. On the night that I was introduced in this House, and before the introduction ceremony took place, the present acting leader of this House (Hon. Mr. King) took me to Senator Dandurand's room, where I was received with that kindness and courtesy which were so characteristic of him. I think Senator Dandurand at that time had a suspicion that I was one of those fire-eating Westerners who needed a little guidance, and with great tact he led the conversation around to the Senate, to its functions and to its atmosphere of non-partisan co-operation. That made a lasting impression upon me. I hope it was not entirely necessary.

Years have passed since then, and my admiration and esteem for the late Senator Dandurand and his great ability as a leader have progressively grown. My personal liking for him became stronger and stronger. It may be a matter of comment on the qualities of those of us who are British, but of all the men in public life whom I have known and who have passed away, those who have left with me the strongest feeling of reverent affection have been two French Canadians—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Senator Dandurand. I feel, as the honourable senator from Montarville (Hon. Mr. Beaubien) said a moment ago, that this Chamber will not seem the same again without Senator Dandurand. The Senate has always been associated in my mind with his presence and his leadership. His presence will abide in this Chamber, but his memory will extend far beyond these walls.