

said to him, "Larry, we need a drink," to which he replied, "Yes, and I know exactly what we will get." We walked over to a small corner store and each of us purchased a quart of milk, which each of us carried, swaggering through the lobby of the Macdonald Hotel. That is the sort of informality that I associate with Larry MacKenzie.

He was a man who had a tremendous rapport with his students. He was once photographed in U.B.C. football togs and wearing a mortarboard. Some of his colleagues were very indignant about this, charging him with letting down the dignity of the academic world.

Larry MacKenzie succeeded in large measure because of that huge, warm, human personality, and I was one of those who were very happy on his appointment to the Senate. He made a fine contribution here, and I know he would be the first to admit that he was sorry to leave this place. We have all benefited by his association with us; his membership in this house is one more fine star in his crown. We wish him many years of happiness and usefulness in the kind of active life he has lived in the past.

Hon. W. M. Benidickson: Honourable senators, I do not usually rise on these occasions, but events have happened since the adjournment that prompt me to say a few words now.

I formed a great affection for our former Speaker, Sydney Smith, but I think I should express on behalf of my wife and Parliamentary wives the great admiration that the members of the Parliamentary Wives' Association had for Marion—Mrs. Sydney Smith. I do so despite the fact that my early morning rest often was interrupted by telephone calls that the energetic Mrs. Smith initiated. She was deeply interested in the social life and the happy, helpful life of the ladies who are so important to us on Parliament Hill.

Senator Sydney Smith was a wonderful friend of us all. He loved the Senate and those of us in it; this became most evident. I pay tribute to him. He has chosen to retire, and in his retirement he will have the great comfort of having with him the new Mrs. Sydney Smith, whom we all admire.

Senator MacKenzie would not expect that I could make an adequate tribute to him. He has already received a flood of accolades from all across the country for his manifold and most catholic, widespread achievements. But

I should like to mention his wife. Mrs. MacKenzie was one of those great ladies who participated here, as formerly, in everything good, with great vigour and excitement. She went to the ski runs of Ottawa, she attended the French language and the art classes of this community, and she supported our wonderful colleague in everything he did around this city. We all deplore the fact that they are going to their favourite city on the west coast.

I have a very special word for my colleague, Senator Vaillancourt. As a representative from this house, I went on two sad occasions to attend funerals in his beloved City of Quebec. On both of those occasions our colleague looked after his friends of the Senate in a most memorable and hospitable way. Everything that he had in his prestige, affection, and reputation in that city he gave to his visiting colleagues from other parts of Canada who had joined him on those two sad occasions.

Senator Vaillancourt, a deputy leader of the Government in the Senate, showed that he liked his colleagues here, and we certainly liked and admired him.

Hon. L. M. Guin: Honourable senators, first I should like to say a few words about our former Speaker, Senator Sydney Smith. I believe it is enough to say that he was a perfect gentleman and that in this chamber he proved himself to be an outstanding Speaker.

To Senator MacKenzie, who was popularly known as Larry, I wish to pay a very special tribute. I have known him for more than 40 years and was exceedingly sorry when I shook hands with him at the moment of his leaving these Houses of Parliament for good. He was a great authority on international matters, and I believe that it was in this field that I first became acquainted with him. I sat with him on committees of selection for minor officers of the diplomatic service, and I met him again and again at the Canadian Institute of International Affairs.

Senator MacKenzie is a great Canadian and a great scholar, and to me he will forever remain a great friend.

Senator Vaillancourt extended friendship to me for many years. Of him I would say that he is a man remarkable for his devotion to popular causes.

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I think I should go on in French in that particular case.