

late defence of his own position almost invariably won him support from all sides.

Earl Urquhart was a man of principle, a man of strong convictions, endowed with a spirit of fairness and a determination for serving his fellow man, which made him a person to be emulated, a political figure worthy of respect, and a soldier deserving of honour. He was an excellent lawyer, whose sound knowledge of the law was matched by a deep respect for it. He was a credit to his party, to this chamber, to Canada and to himself. I considered him as a friend, and I feel a personal loss in his passing. To his family go our most profound condolences.

As well, honourable senators, do we offer our heartfelt sympathy to the families of our former colleagues John J. Kinley and James Gladstone. Would that men of such sterling qualities and outstanding accomplishment might have been restored to health to enjoy a full and peaceful retirement—the reward for a job well done. But though we be grieved by their passing, we take solace in the faith that a more perfect reward is now theirs, for sweet are the eternal slumbers of virtuous men.

In resuming my seat, may I quote from Theodore O'Hara:

In Fame's eternal camping ground
Their silent tents are spread
And Glory guards, with solemn round
The bivouac of these dead.

Hon. Keith Laird: Honourable senators, I wish to express deep sympathy to the families of those honourable senators who passed away during the summer recess. You will understand that I have a very special feeling about Earl Urquhart. I may say at the outset he made it very plain to me that he took a dim view of long eulogies of the departed. Having this in mind, I shall add very few words to those that have been so eloquently spoken. His accomplishments have been delineated; they are well known.

Senator Urquhart was my deskmate. We ate together almost every day and often enjoyed a nightcap together at the Chateau Laurier. So one can well understand how much I miss him.

Earl Urquhart had humanistic qualities which were well known to all of us. He was a most likeable person, and I am sure he would not mind my revealing this rather homely fact about him. He persisted in maintaining himself on Atlantic Time. Therefore, when it came to 12 o'clock he was going to eat lunch, and I was always willing to oblige. When it came to dinner he insisted on eating at 6 o'clock, and again I was always willing to oblige unless circumstances prevented it.

Honourable senators, in keeping with what I know would be Earl's sentiments, I simply say to you, of a close friend so prematurely gone, that his passing is a very deep personal loss.

Hon. Paul Zuyk: Senator James Gladstone was laid to rest among the departed members of the Blood Band of the Blackfoot federation on the Indian reserve at Cardston, Alberta on September 8. The funeral rites were

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performed at St. Paul's Anglican Church, the Bishop of Calgary officiating. Mr. Willie Scraping White recited Blackfoot prayers and delivered the funeral oration in the native tongue. A large attendance of Indians and whites at the church and cemetery mourned the passing of Jim Gladstone, Akay-na-muka in Blackfoot, the first Indian senator in Canada.

The Government was represented by the Honourable Jean Chretien, Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, and the Honourable Horace Olson, Minister of Agriculture. Several members of Parliament were also present, and Senator Earl Hastings and myself represented this chamber.

To his wife, Jennie, to his six surviving children and their immediate families, I conveyed the condolences of the Senate.

Senator Gladstone will be fondly remembered by all members of this chamber who knew him. He was a pleasant, friendly person, and a dedicated, hard-working parliamentarian who did much both to improve the economic, social and educational conditions of his people and to gain some recognition of their rights.

Senator Gladstone will be greatly missed in this chamber, the members of which, I feel sure, would warmly welcome a worthy successor of Indian origin. Above all, he will be sorely missed by his people, who greatly loved and respected him. May his deeds be an inspiration to the others of his race, and may his soul rest in peace.

Hon. John M. Macdonald: I join with those who have already spoken in paying tribute to our former Senators John Kinley and James Gladstone, both of whom I knew very well. I recall spending many a pleasant hour in the company of Senator Kinley in the lobby of the Chateau Laurier. He was a fine gentleman, a great Nova Scotian.

Jim Gladstone was also a very fine person. I had great respect for him, and admired his zeal and determination to better the conditions of those he referred to as "my people". They were his people and he was their great advocate in and out of Parliament.

I find it more difficult to refer to the untimely passing of Senator Earl Urquhart. We came from the same part of the country, and were personal friends for a great many years.

I well knew his fine qualities of heart and mind. He was highly regarded in Nova Scotia and earned the affection and respect of all who knew him. The tremendous number of people who came from far and wide to attend his funeral was a tribute to him and showed the esteem in which he was held. Senator Blois and I represented this chamber at the funeral.

As has been mentioned, Earl Urquhart was a young man, yet was prominent in the public life of Nova Scotia for 22 years. Before that he had served his country well during World War II. I need not mention his work as a senator. We know it well. He took a great interest in the work of this chamber and was especially interested in all matters pertaining to his beloved Nova Scotia. His death is a blow to the Senate, and I personally mourn the loss of a worthy colleague and a good friend.