

going to say anything about what I was really like." I want to say that I admired Eric Cook and I liked Eric Cook—I sat beside him when I first came into the Senate chamber and we developed a very great friendship. But I think Eric would appreciate hearing me say that when he left this chamber there were two things about him that I never forgot: one, that he never spoke either official language; and, two, that he continually tried to draw to an inside straight and never made it. Perhaps some who did not know him as well as I did will not admire those attributes as much as I do.

Honourable senators, Eric Cook left his mark on Newfoundland as he left his mark on the Senate, and I am sure I speak for everyone when I say that we are all sorry at his passing and that we send our condolences and our highest regards to his wonderful wife, Mary.

● (1420)

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Leader of the Opposition): Honourable senators, I join with other colleagues in paying tribute to the memory of all three senators, namely, Senators Cook, John J. MacDonald and Welch.

I had the opportunity to know and meet each of those senators, but because on this side of the house considerable eulogy has been paid to the memory of Senator Cook and Senator Welch, I thought that I should revive in my own mind my association with a fellow islander in the person of the late Senator John Joseph MacDonald.

I remember quite clearly when the late Senator MacDonald was appointed to the Senate of Canada from the province of Prince Edward Island, and I must say that when I heard that tribute was to be paid today I was greatly surprised that he had lived such a long life; but on reflection it is not surprising for a person bearing the name MacDonald.

Other senators—particularly the whip of the Conservative Party, who was a colleague from Prince Edward Island—recounted the career of Senator MacDonald as a farmer, as a veteran and as a community activist. I must say that when he came to Ottawa he had great directness in his conversation and opinions, and it was clear to anyone who met him that he was a man of the soil, not given to subtleties or cloaking his thoughts in circumlocution. Everyone knew that he was a strong supporter of Mr. Diefenbaker. He thought that John Diefenbaker was a considerable person, and he thought the Tories were terrific.

Therefore, honourable senators, I would not like the memory of Senator John Joseph MacDonald not to be properly mentioned on this side of the house, and not to have it known that there are those of us still on the Hill who remember his arrival, who regretted his departure from Ottawa, and who now regret his passing.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear.

[Senator Steuart.]

TERRORISM

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL SENATE COMMITTEE

Hon. William M. Kelly: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Tuesday next, October 7, 1986, I will move:

That a Special Committee of the Senate be appointed to hear evidence on and consider matters relating to terrorism as a real or potential threat to Canada and to Canadians;

That the Committee examine and make recommendations on the subject-matter and effectiveness of existing statutes, agreements and administrative arrangements pertaining to the combatting of terrorist activity;

That the Committee examine and make recommendations on the role of the media in reporting terrorist threats and incidents;

That eight Senators, to be designated at a later date, act as members of the Special Committee;

That the Committee have power to report from time to time, to send for persons, papers and records and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the Committee; and

That the Committee report to the Senate no later than June 2, 1987.

[Translation]

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MOTION TO AUTHORIZE NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE STUDY OF GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES ON POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Hon. Fernand E. Leblanc: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Thursday next, October 9, 1986, I will move:

That the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance be authorized to continue its examination of the activities of the Government of Canada in its financial support of post-secondary education and vocational training;

That the papers and evidence received and taken on the subject before the Committee during the First Session, Thirty-third Parliament be referred to the Committee; and

That the Committee report no later than February 26, 1987.

[English]

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition): Honourable senators, for the record, Senator Leblanc's motion is for reference to a committee that at the moment does not exist but, of course, might exist at the time the motion is returnable. I say that so that there will be no doubt that we have not yet constituted such a committee. One day someone might read *Hansard* and wonder how we could have constituted the committee so quickly.

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government): Senator Leblanc mentioned this point this morning