

political life, and still more as one who achieved what few if any others have accomplished in our Dominion, the establishment of a great newspaper.

Senator White took part in many business activities. And he made it a point, as the honourable leader of the House has intimated, to endeavour to have people of the far ends of our Dominion know something about, and develop some sympathy for, great industrial enterprises of certain sections of the Dominion. In that effort he did a work of great good, a work that is most necessary in this country, where our distances are so great and there is consequently a severance of sympathy from which smaller countries do not suffer.

I have referred to his attitude of independence in the field of politics. True, he always leaned to the steady, the solid, what we like to describe as the conservative point of view, but he did this certainly from principle and not at any time out of any personal considerations. He knew a lot about the politics of Canada and the politics of the world.

These were the qualifications that made him a great newspaper proprietor, in which capacity, of course, he achieved his greatest distinction. I do not think it is an expression of partiality to say that no nation, to my knowledge, ever enjoyed the services of a national newspaper of higher calibre and more outstanding usefulness than was the Montreal Gazette. As a newspaper it was the pride of Canadians of all political persuasions, and especially of all Canadians engaged in local and international business affairs. It was a great institution, as it is still. That institution is largely the work of Senator Smeaton White. One who effects such an accomplishment as this for a nation achieves something that is perhaps not adequately estimated by the average citizen, though very essential for the country. To him of our number who created, built up and has left the Montreal Gazette we pay a tribute of sincere respect. I join with the honourable leader of the Government in asking that there be conveyed to the business associates of our late colleague, who I know mourn him greatly, and to his relatives, our united sense of sympathy.

ADDRESS TO HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: Honourable members of the Senate, I desire to move the adoption of an Address to His Majesty King George VI, which will be seconded by my right honourable friend opposite (Right

Hon. Mr. Meighen) and, I am quite sure, unanimously adopted by this Chamber. The Address reads:

Resolved: That a humble Address be presented to His Majesty the King in the following words:

To The King's Most Excellent Majesty:

Most Gracious Sovereign:

We, the Members of the Senate of Canada, in Parliament assembled, desire respectfully to extend our greetings upon Your Majesty's accession to the Throne, and to convey to Your Majesty and to Her Majesty the Queen the assurance of our united loyalty and support.

Your Majesty's gracious New Year's message, sending warmest wishes for the welfare and happiness of your peoples, and dedicating yourself and the Queen to their service, has been deeply appreciated by Your Majesty's subjects in Canada in common with those of other parts of the British Empire. We believe that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, Your Majesty will be vouchsafed guidance and strength to meet the responsibilities of your noble heritage, and to fulfil your purpose to strengthen the foundations of mutual trust and affection between the Sovereign and his people.

We pray that, amid the confusions of the world, and the uncertainties of the times, Your Majesty's Throne may be established in righteousness; that Your Majesty's counsellors may be endowed with wisdom; and that all endeavours of Your Majesty's reign may be directed to the well-governing of your peoples, the preservation of freedom, and the advancement of unity and peace.

There is hardly any call for more words on my part. Yet I am prompted to draw a parallel between George V and George VI, the father and son. Like his father, our Sovereign is a second son, and like him he was trained for a naval career. Like his father, he has a modest bearing, is unassuming and kindly. Like his father, he has a marked preference for home life. Like his father, he is privileged to have by his side a loveable Consort. Like his father, he shows devotion to the public weal and practical sympathy for the welfare of the people.

The King has been an active president of many social organizations, chief among them the Industrial Welfare Society.

The people will love their King and Queen for those qualities of head and heart which represent their own ideal and which form the texture of the British character.

Our Sovereigns are blessed with two bright and most amiable daughters, who bring to their home constant sunshine. I can only repeat the ardent prayer expressed by this resolution: that the Almighty may continue to guide and bless them through a long and happy life.

Hon. SENATORS: Hear, hear.