

academic world as well. It is really wonderful to think that during the last great war, when he was nearing his fifties, he volunteered for service overseas, where he commanded a brigade and was wounded. His very splendid record was known to Canadians generally. As the leader has so fittingly stated, he served this Chamber well for almost twenty-five years, not only in the House itself but also in committees. The passing of such an able and distinguished gentleman will be a great loss not only to his family but to this House, to Parliament, and to the country as a whole.

I join with my honourable friend in conveying to Mrs. Black and the other members of the family our most heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

I knew Senator Cantley very well indeed. As a member of the Union Government during the last war, I saw him frequently. I was glad to hear the leader of the House refer to the splendid advice which Colonel Cantley, as he then was known, gave the Government in regard not only to steel and coal but also the manufacture of shells. There was doubt in the mind of the Government at that time as to the ability of this country to produce shells; but thanks to the splendid information possessed by Colonel Cantley, which he conveyed freely to the Government and to the then Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Sir Robert Borden, the making of shells was started, and certainly it was a great achievement.

Senator Cantley lived to a ripe old age, having passed the mark of four score years. Although physically incapacitated of late, mentally he was just as alert as ever.

I join with my honourable friend and all those on this side of the House in conveying to the family of our late colleague our most sincere regret at his passing.

Hon. GEORGE B. JONES: Honourable senators, I wish to associate myself with the remarks made by the honourable leaders on both sides of this House with reference to the passing of a colleague and old friend of mine, Senator Frank B. Black. It has already been pointed out where he was born and educated, and what a deep interest he took in Mount Allison University. He was Regent of that University, and for years Chairman of its Finance Committee, on which he served with honour and great distinction.

Senator Black had very extensive business interests. He was not only a merchant, a lumberman and a manufacturer, but he carried on a large farming business and was a grower of livestock on his beautiful farms in and around Sackville. I was associated with him in

a number of large industries, and regarded him as one of the most untiring and best business men that I have known. The honourable leader of the Government (Hon. Mr. King) has mentioned that our late colleague was President of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, Limited, for about twenty-five years. He was also for forty-one years a director of that company, which from small beginnings grew to a large enterprise, efficiently operated and rendering excellent service to the province of New Brunswick.

Reference has already been made to Senator Black's excellent military record, and to the fact that he was wounded in the last war. I just touch on that in passing.

Senator Black also took an active part in the municipal life of Sackville. If I remember correctly, he was Mayor of the town for two terms. He served too as a member of the provincial Legislature, at a time when I happened to be a fellow-member. Though of a retiring nature, he was an active and very valuable member of the Senate, and he certainly will be missed here. He held a very important position as Chairman of our Banking and Commerce Committee, over whose meetings he presided with ability, distinction and fairness.

I wish to join with the honourable leaders in expressing sincere sympathy to our late colleague's widow, Mrs. Black, and her two sons and three daughters.

Hon. A. B. COPP: Honourable senators, were it not that I was a fellow-townsmen of the late Senator Black for nearly fifty years I should be quite content to associate myself with what has been said without making any remarks myself. Senator Black had a splendid foundation on which to start life. He was of Old Country stock which, on his father's side, came from Scotland as far back as 1774, and on his mother's side, from England. The combination of Scotch and English produced good qualities, and these have shown throughout the whole family. I cannot quite remember when his father Joseph L. Black started business. That was before there was a town of Sackville. He set up as a pioneer merchant outside of the site of the present town, without any capital, his whole assets being industry, perseverance and an indomitable will to succeed. He became very successful. I have not much personal knowledge of his early years, but from as far back as I can remember Joseph L. Black was one of the outstanding merchants in that locality. He had a large country store, and, as was said by the honourable gentleman who preceded me (Hon. Mr. Jones),