As leader of the Official Opposition in this
House of Commons, I deem it a privilege to join with the
Right Honourable the Prime Minister in the sentiments
which he has expressed on behalf of the Canadian people
in appreciation of the truly great and noble life of the
late King Albert I of Belgium; and of the less which Belgium
and the world has sustained in the late King's sudden and
tragic death.

I join as well, on behalf of honourable members on this side of the House, in the sympathy which the Prime Minister has expressed with Her Majosty the Queen of Belgium, and the members of the Belgian Royal Family, in their personal bereavement, and with the people of Belgium in their national loss.

Character, and the circumstances of his time, combined to give to the late King, most of the attributes of the mythical hero of legendary days. It is in no way due to convention that in all parts of the world today, King Albert of Belgium's many virtues as a sovereign and as a man are being extelled. He, if ever Momarch was, will be remembered as a Enight of the Hold Grail, and as a man who found the joy

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