

More important, he gave of his love. Jack Miner not only loved the birds, but he loved man. Through the work he did in spreading the Christian principles he loved, he has not only helped animals but brought healing; he has brought love to people throughout not only North America, but the great part of South America.

This has the effect of bringing tourists, especially at certain seasons of the year, to our constituency. They pass through the constituency of Essex South, a distance of twenty miles, to the sanctuary. At certain seasons of the year one may see literally thousands of birds in the air. On many occasions on lake Erie I have seen and heard thousands of geese out on the lake. And when I say "thousands", I mean literally tens of thousands of geese out on the waters, probably beyond the vision of the eye.

Then, too, there have been literally tens of thousands of ducks and, even more interesting, great numbers of white swans. And when I refer to white swans, I mean white swans by the thousands, who have reached that point in their migration to the south, coming through by Point Pelee, and across to the Jack Miner sanctuary. At seasons of the year there will be literally thousands of those birds at the sanctuary.

I am sure my colleague the hon. member for Essex South (Mr. Clark) will join with me in extending, on behalf of the city of Windsor, and the Essex county tourist association, a hearty invitation to come and see this beautiful and educational sight at the season of the year when the birds are migrating.

I hesitate mentioning such mundane things as money in this discussion, but speaking from a purely mercenary point of view I must point out that the tourists who come to the Jack Miner sanctuary bring with them and spend good, hard Canadian dollars, and the currency of other countries. Those dollars find their way into our retail stores and our manufacturing organizations. They help to purchase the cars, in the manufacture of which we are chiefly interested. In view of the fact that they will create work, they bring dollars and cents not only to the city of Windsor and to the county of Essex, but to all Canada. I say this because the automobile industry buys its materials from all parts of Canada. Recognition of this sanctuary will help not only my constituency but every constituency in Canada.

For these reasons I am happy to support the bill.

[Mr. Brown.]

Mr. DANIEL McIVOR (Fort William): Mr. Speaker, I wish to support the bill because of a promise I made to the late Jack Miner, who gave us a week at our camp at lake Minaki. At the close of that camp, when he described the value of wild life in Canada, we promised we would support him in his endeavour.

I should like to mention one text from which he spoke at that camp, where he referred to the description of a sport who went out to shoot for the love of shooting. When he left the spoils in front of his tent door he went to sleep for two or three days, and he cooked not that which he took in sport.

In support of that text, I would say that no man has a right to go out and shoot wild life for the sake of fun. When we treat wild life as Jack Miner treated it, it will cease to be wild and become tame. There is one organization in Canada, of which I was an officer, namely, the Boy Scouts, who will welcome this bill with enthusiasm. I am sure the leaders, in particular, will be pleased to note its introduction.

May I commend the mover and the seconder for their foresight.

Mr. S. M. CLARK (Essex South): Mr. Speaker, I believe it is needless for anyone in the house even to attempt to "sell" Jack Miner either to hon. members or to the people of Canada. He did that job much better than anyone else could do it.

I rise to support the bill proposed by the hon. member for Davenport (Mr. MacNicol), and I do so for one reason. The late Mr. Miner gave inspiration to this generation in connection with the conservation of wild life, an inspiration that has meant much to Canada. This is one way in which we can ensure that that inspiration is carried forward to the coming generation.

If some hon. members have not visited the sanctuary, I suggest their doing so at the earliest opportunity. I do not think anyone could adequately describe the scene when those clouds of wild fowl come in from the lake, or from the north at different seasons of the year. That sanctuary is being ably cared for by the Miner family. I would hope that for the sake of the younger generation it might be possible for the government to adopt the bill. Certainly I would support it heartily, as it is proposed by the hon. member for Davenport.

Mr. M. J. COLDWELL (Rosetown-Biggar): Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the bill, and perhaps I may do so more particularly because I am from a part of Canada other than that in which Jack Miner's life work was done.