Prime Minister's Address At Opening of Sixth Victory Loan Campaign Parliament Hill, April 22, 1944

Canada is opening a new Victory Loan Campaign.

It is a fitting occasion to dedicate ourselves anew to the great task which is yet to be completed. That task is the defeat of the enemy both in the West and in the East, and the establishment of freedom and peace throughout the world.

Since the last Victory Loan was launched, prospects have indeed brightened. Germany and Japan have received blows which have grown increasingly frequent and increasingly severe. Germany, which has been hurt far more than Japan, is still a powerful enemy. Most of Europe is still under German control. Germany itself is yet to be invaded.

Our gallant Russian allies have made monumental advances - but they have met extremely determined and skilful resistance. Despite these spectacular successes, the German armies have still to be driven entirely from Russian territory. We know well with what grim stubbornness the Germans have fought in Italy, so that Rome has yet to be taken.

The prospect or victory has seemed brighter, this past year, to those of us at home in Canada. Over that hope hangs the shadow of impending events in which Canadian troops