

It was my great privilege to have been a life-long friend of Franklin D. Roosevelt. I knew him very well. Of that friendship, I shall hope to speak at another time. My feelings at this moment are perhaps best expressed in lines of Matthew Arnold's, which perhaps I may be permitted to quote:

"O strong soul, by what shore  
Tarriest thou now? For that force,  
Surely, has not been left vain!  
Somewhere, surely, afar,  
In the sounding labour-house vast  
Of being, is practiced that strength,  
Zealous, beneficent, firm!"

I believe it is.

Mr. Speaker:

As a mark of respect of our country for the memory of the President, the flag will fly at half mast from the peace tower of our Parliament Buildings. As a further mark of respect I know that all honourable members would wish to have this House adjourn without continuing its proceedings today, and I move accordingly.