

✓ the way to ultimate victory. While that is true, it is not less true that Britain continues to stand today, as she has through centuries of the past, the cornerstone of freedom ~~of~~ in the world.

The people of Canada are grateful for the support which Mr. Willkie gave to the principle of the Lease-Lend Bill. We are not less grateful to him for helping his own people to realize, that, in order to preserve the structure of civilization, the cornerstone of the world's freedom must be kept unbroken and in place.

✓ When Mr. Willkie left Britain, the respect, the friendship, and the gratitude of the British people followed him to America. I venture to say that his name, today, is honoured by free men the world over.

Mr. Willkie is paying his present visit to Canada on the joint invitation of the officers of the Canadian War Services Fund and myself on behalf of the Government. To our great pleasure, he has come to speak to us. The appeal to which Mr. Willkie lends his presence and his voice is an appeal by six voluntary organizations which have won and deserve our trust. Today, with the approval and under the direction of the Government, the ~~se~~ ^{organizations} have joined in one nation-wide co-operative campaign to help the war effort of our country. They appeal on behalf of the soldiers, the sailors, the airmen and the nurses