

Canada and the United States have reached the point where we no longer think of each other as "foreign" countries. We think of each other as friends.

Harry S. Truman, President of the United States. (Ottawa, 1947)

When you look at the map and you see a great frontier line, stretching over 3,600 miles.....you scratch your head and say, "Well, what is defending it?" Nothing but the sound common sense, the sound goodwill of two practical nations.


David Beatty, British Admiral. (In an address in Toronto, 1921)

Go and stand anywhere along the Niagara—Buffalo border at holiday time—Fourth of July or First of July either one they're all one, to us. Here are the stars and stripes and the Union Jacks all mixed together and the tourists pouring back and forth over the International Bridge, immigration men trying in vain to sort them out, Niagara mingling its American and Canadian waters and its honeymoon couples.

Stephen Leacock, Canadian writer and humourist (In an address at IVY LEA Bridge dedication ceremonies, 1938)

Canada is horizontal. Only a comparatively narrow strip above the American border is populated. Like a layer of cream on a jug of milk.....a strip of earth and an expanse of sky. The sky is ever sensed above Canada untamed nature to the pole—green sky of summer and white of winter.

Andrei Voznesensky, Russian writer (North Country Passing 1971)



'Between Friends' is a book produced specially in Canada to commemorate the US bicentenary. The book was presented to President Ford of the USA by Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau in Washington as Canada's gift to the United States. The book contains 220 colour photographs by Canadian photographers who have depicted scenes along the long US-Canadian border, ranging from the shore of the Beaufort Sea to Campobello Island.

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