other lands. The world is one. In fortune and in misfortune; in prosperity and in poverty; in peace and war, all nations depend on one another. Though today, most of our families can sit around bountiful tables, we must not forget that elsewhere in the world, there are millions who are not so fortunate. Let us rejoice that we have been so favoured, but let us hope, too, happiness can be spread throughout the world.

The beginning of a new year is a time for making resolutions. I have no doubt that each one of us, in his own way, is resolved to do what he can to make the year 1949 a better year than 1948. In 1949 we must redouble our efforts in the quest of the peace and human welfare which the world so sorely needs. Let us enter the new year with confidence and determination. Let us pray to God that his wisdom and his love will enlighten us and ease man's burdens.

All my colleagues and you too, I am sure, join me in the prayer that 1949 will see the realization in lasting peace of the hopes of men of good-will in every land. May God be with us.