

name of the Canadian people, at Woodbridge two days later. It is a happy coincidence which brings the President to Ottawa at the moment the climax of our joint defence has been reached with the occupation of the last Japanese outpost in the Western Hemisphere.

No welcome of the President of the United States would be complete did it not include an expression of the fraternal feelings of the people of Canada for the people of the United States. Although Canada is a relatively small nation and the United States is very powerful, the policy of the good neighbour has removed from our minds any thought of domination. At the same time, it has promoted the closest co-operation.

In war, the Canadian people will fight shoulder to shoulder with their American neighbours until the complete military destruction of the Axis powers in Europe and Asia has been accomplished. The Canadian people are united in their desire to perpetuate, in the days of peace, the equal and fruitful partnership between our two nations which is unique in international relationships. It is our earnest hope that the bounds of our mutual friendship and co-operation, in peace as in war, may be extended to embrace all the free nations of the world.