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sovereign nations in far-flung parts of the world should share in a common allegiance to the Crown which serves to unite them in an association unique in the history of the world.

There is, finally, a new and evolving loyalty to that general association of nations which has grown out of a titanic conflict for the maintenance of freedom in the world. Canada, in common with more than 50 other freedom-loving nations, has accepted under the Charter of the United Nations, certain obligations. These obligations may be thought of as good citizenship writ large, and carried into the areas of concern as between nations and nation.

If, in our dealings between one individual and another, we recognize the needs of patience, tolerance, and fair play, and if we make this friendly understanding the basis of our individual relationships, may we not also carry the same spirit into our ever-expanding relationships with our neighbour nations? May we not, in this ceremony here this evening, find a renewal of the inspiration which, nearly two centuries ago, began the founding of our nation, based at the beginning on the equal partnership of two great races and their descendants, and, as the years went by, welcoming into the all-embracing nationality the valiant and the humble of many races. May we not find a rekindling of the vision which enabled the fathers of our country, Providence being their guide, to build better than they knew? May we not find an assurance, which will carry in due season its own rich reward, that our own country, stretching from seas to sea, that ~~our Canada~~ carries for all the world a message of friendship, of understanding, of hope?

All of these thoughts are in my mind as I speak of citizenship tonight.

For citizenship is not a passing phase, nor any chance observance. It is a part

of the very <sup>structure of</sup> ~~structure of~~ our nation; and by the quality of our citizenship will our nation be judged and respected.