

Governments and legislatures must do their part toward that end but they will be successful only in the measure in which they have the understanding and support and co-operation of the majority of the men and women of the whole nation.

At the present time we are enjoying unexampled tranquillity and prosperity in Canada. The signs are that prosperity will be continued throughout 1953 in so far as anything likely to happen in Canada or, indeed, on this continent affects our situation. But the fortunate state and position of this country and this continent should not blind us to the fact that we are living in a very dangerous world. If we wish to retain for our own and for future generations the position in the world which we have now and to which Canada can reasonably aspire for the future, we have no choice but to take seriously all our responsibilities both at home and abroad. That is apt to require all the wisdom and experience, all the patience and perseverance the Canadian people can bring to bear upon their domestic and their world problems, as well as the most responsible leadership they can provide in every field of their activities.

This country must do its part at home and abroad, to build and to maintain the peaceful and balanced and prosperous world which is essential to peace and growth and prosperity for ourselves and for those who will come after us in this fair land of Canada. It can be done and I am one of those who feel confident it will be done.

