

My Lord Mayor,

It is with real sincerity that I express to you the thanks of my husband and myself for your Address and for the warmth of the welcome which the people of Perth have given us to-day.

Western Australia is justly renowned for the beauty of its Capital City, and inspite of the changes which it has been necessary to make in our programme we hope to see much of it and of its citizens during the next few days.

The people of Great Britain are thankful for the help which the people of Western Australia gave them during and after the war, and they have by no means forgotten your generous hospitality to members of the Fighting Services whose duties brought them to these shores.

It is our earnest prayer that the world may now enjoy an era of peace, and that with peace may come prosperity, so that the peoples of the British Commonwealth may find the happiness and contentment for which they yearn. May you, the people of Perth

and of Western Australia, share to the fullest extent in that peace, prosperity and happiness towards which you have contributed so much.

Elizabeth R

27th March 1954.