

QUESTION: That is very interesting. I would like to know what those impressions are.

ANSWER: My impressions were that the people of India, like the people of Canada, were engaged on a high enterprise and that to carry that enterprise to a successful conclusion they wanted stability and peace in the world and they were going to do their best efforts to maintain peace and stability in the world.

QUESTION: Your impression of the sub-continent. When you leave India, and you are not going back to Pakistan, will you carry at the back of your mind that one part of this sliced country will be armed against the other?

ANSWER: Well I sincerely hope that what occurred in North America will occur in this sub-continent. Our confederation was motivated in large part by our fear of our neighbour the United States. And that was 87 or 88 years ago now and at the present time and for as long as I have known anything at all about public affairs, I have never had any fear nor found any other Canadian who had any fear of aggression from our neighbour to the south. And I rather confidently expect that that is going to be the ultimate situation in this sub-continent.

High Commissioner: I would like to stay for a long time to listen to the Prime Minister but I am afraid he has to go to another meeting.

APPLAUSE

Audience: We do not always clap, Mr. Prime Minister.

Mr. St. Laurent: Well I am delighted to have met you and I hope that what I have said may give you a somewhat clearer impression of our situation in the world. We are dependent for our own welfare upon the welfare of many countries and we realize that unless there is that genuine welfare we are not going to achieve with our high enterprise the success we hope for.

