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There are problems in connection with such agreements but I believe that they can be solved. However, I wish to emphasize that Canada will insist on controlling immigration through selection, in such a manner as to admit those people who will best contribute to the future welfare of Canada.

? / To handle a large increase in the movement of immigrants whenever conditions make it possible, the government proposes at once to commence the expansion and strengthening of the Immigration Branch of the Department of Mines and Resources. Through several years of low and restricted immigration the Immigration Branch and its offices abroad have shrunk to proportions which are inadequate to cope with an active and positive immigration policy. This is no reflection on the Branch or its officials. They have given excellent service and have been greatly overburdened. Now, with the depression over and the war ended, additional personnel must be recruited and trained if our programme for the future is to be effectively administered. (I am sure that all members of the House will agree as to the necessity of taking these steps and of taking them now.)

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Reference to United Nations
(re news of banquets
now in Canada)