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facilities and of air force personnel would be of most assistance."

Regarding supplies, emphasis was placed on need for Canadian dollars in order to increase imports of food, raw materials and other necessities. "In the circumstances perhaps the most valuable immediate assistance which Canada could give us in the field would be any steps which are possible to assist us in the financing of desired purchases."

High strategic thinking was greatly influenced by the events of the next few weeks. The German army, greatly aided by the powerful German air force, swept through Poland.

The next message of the British Prime Minister to the Canadian Prime Minister, on September 26th, is of historic importance. "Because it invites co-operation with Canada to a very special degree, I want to make a very special personal appeal to you about it. I feel that so far reaching a prospect will strike your imagination particularly as it concerns an all