

Peace Conference, Mr. W.A. Robertson, Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, and one of the Canadian delegates to the Conference, returned to Ottawa with the Prime Minister.

New York - General A.G.L. McLaughlin, Canadian representative on the Atomic Energy Commission of the United Nations, became Chairman of the Commission on August 15 in accordance with the plan whereby each state represented on the Commission takes the chairmanship for a period of one month, in alphabetical rotation.

August 5 - Geneva - Fifth Meeting of the UMRRA Council. The Canadian Representative was the Right Honourable J.L. Flaherty, Minister of Finance, and the alternate was Mr. J.B. Pearson, Canadian Ambassador to the United States. The advisers were Mr. J.A. Chabedaine of the Department of External Affairs and Mr. Huntley Sinclair.

August 12 - Stockholm - International Council for the Exploration of the Sea. Dr. J.R. Symond of the Royal Ontario Museum of Zoology attended as Canadian observer.

August 28 - Washington - Caribbean Regional Air Navigation Meeting of PICAO. The Canadian Delegation, headed by Mr. Aaron McKim, Canadian Representative on the Interim Council of PICAO, included Mr. Stuart Graham, Mr. C.C. Bogart and Mr. I.E. Coffey of the Department of Transport; Group Captain C.J. Campbell, Mr. G.A. Proudfoot and Mr. R.A. Rawson of Trans-Canada Airlines.

(G) OFFICIAL STATEMENTS AND RELEASES CONCERNING EXTERNAL RELATIONS

Statements in the House of Commons:

1. Australia and Canada
Tabling by the Minister of Reconstruction and Supply of an agreement between Canada and Australia for air services between the two countries, signed in Ottawa, June 11, 1948, and effective on that date. August 30, p.5744. (See Section B.13) (Press Release No. 45, August 30)
2. Colombia and Canada
Motion by the Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs that the trade agreement between Canada and Colombia, signed at Bogota on February 20, 1948, be approved. August 6, p.4419. Motion agreed to. p.4422. (See July Bulletin, Section G.4)
3. Combines Investigation Act
Motion by the Minister of Justice for Second Reading of and concurrence in amendments made by the Senate to Bill No. 123, to amend the Combines Investigation Act. August 17, p.5028. Continuation of debate. p.5029. Second Reading. p.5060.
4. Department of External Affairs
(a) Motion by the Chairman of the Standing Committee on External Affairs for concurrence in the Second