

The exchange of High Commissioners between the British countries has been greatly extended since the war began. As High Commissioner is a special rank used only for representatives in other British countries, it will not be affected by the altered status of the representative in the United States.

Canadian Representation in the United States

Canada's first legation abroad was established in Washington with Mr. Vincent Massey as first Minister. Successive ministers have been Mr. W.D. Herridge, Sir Herbert Marler, Mr. Loring Christie, and Mr. Leighton McCarthy. Mr. McCarthy, who becomes the first ambassador, was appointed Minister on February 24th, 1941.

Besides Mr. McCarthy, Canada is served by a Minister-Counsellor in Washington, Mr. L.B. Pearson.

Since the beginning of the war the work of the Legation has increased many times. The diplomatic staff has been increased to handle the additional work, and service and economic attaches have been appointed. Other Canadian departments, such as Munitions and Supply and W.I.B. are now represented in Washington as well.

In the spring of this year Mr. Hugh Scully was appointed Canadian Consul-General in New York. The opening up of a Consulate-General responsible to the Legation in Washington has added to the obligations and the status of the legation.

With the appointment of an ambassador in Washington, the Canadian mission will now enjoy equal status with that of the United Kingdom, although its staff is smaller.