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GOVERNOR GENERAL'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS

ed our relations. We can only hope that they may be reflected elsewhere in this troubled world.

"We are happy to think that we know you well. Countless Canadians have personal friends on this side of the border. Many of us have relatives here. It is, of course, natural that a small community should know more of a larger neighbour than that neighbour knows of it. We are getting to know each other better as the years pass. We welcome your visits to us. Often your objective may be the river or the forest, and we are happy to offer you a playground. But perhaps you will let me say that we would not have our visitors show too strong a preference for those parts of Canada which are not yet inhabited by Canadians! We should like you to know our people - what they do and how they do it. I would not, of course, suggest that you are unaware of what is going on in Canada in the field of engineering and industry. Much of our development in these spheres, I need not say, is a result of your confidence in our future. Nowhere has our recent growth met with warmer acclaim than in this country. It is true that quite extraordinary things have happened of late in Canada, but we prefer sober adjectives with which to describe them. Our expansion has been rapid, but it is steady and it is built on sound realities. It is based on the character of our people and on the quality of our national life. It is based on a hardihood and spirit of adventure as remarkable as that shown by our first explorers; on the disciplined intellect of our men of science seeking out new horizons of knowledge and usefulness; on the devotion of our legislators working to fulfil the conscious vision of the Fathers of our Confederation who almost a hundred years ago came together to found a new nation. We believe that the Canada of today is not unworthy of inspection. I invite you to come and see us.

"I have talked about ourselves as your neighbours. I have said little about ourselves as your partners. You and we work together in the international community. Along with kinsmen and friends across the seas, we are allies in defence of the things we value. And, if I may say so, I think that we in Canada, like you, have given proof that those values must be actively and zealously defended. In the far north we are working with you to strengthen the defences of this continent on our territory and on yours. In Korea there has been, from an early stage, a Brigade Group of Canadian troops. They are now standing guard against the possibility of renewed attack. Twelve Squadrons of the Royal Canadian Air Force and a further Canadian Brigade Group are stationed in Europe. Such formations, I need hardly say, should naturally be related in our minds to the size of the population which provides them.

"We are also supplying our European friends with mutual aid on a considerable scale. Canada, too, is giving help under the Colombo plan to the countries of southern Asia. We believe - as you do - that the problems of our time cannot be solved by military strength alone. The line can be held only by the deployment of force, but the objective - peace - can be won only by the quality of infinite patience. In our collaboration, we may not always agree on every detail of the plans we must discuss together, but there is no difference between us on the fundamental aims which we pursue; we may differ now and then on the "hows" but never on the "whys". You may depend upon us as faithful friends and comrades."

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VISIT TO DEFENCE ESTABLISHMENTS: Canadian leaders in many walks of life are being invited by The Honourable Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence, to visit a number of major defence establishments May 11-14, inclusive. The tour will be for 35 leaders of churches, universities, business, industry, trade unions and other national organizations.

The party will leave Montreal May 11, at 9:30 a.m., and proceed by bus to R.C.A.F. Station, St. Hubert. A short briefing session will be followed by an inspection of Air Defence Headquarters and the station. A flying display of jet fighters and other aircraft has been arranged, and after lunch the party will be flown to Halifax.

On Wednesday, May 12, there will be a short tour of H.M.C. Dockyard, the Torpedo and Anti-Submarine School and the Electrical School. The party will proceed to sea in ships of the First Canadian Escort Squadron for a demonstration of anti-submarine operations. They will return to Ottawa the same afternoon.

On the morning of Thursday, May 13, a visit to a radar station has been arranged, after which the party will proceed to Camp Petawawa.

In the invitations being extended for the tour, emphasis will be placed on heads of leading industries engaged in defence industry and production for defence purposes. The tour will permit them to see the use being made of some products of their factories.

Defence Minister Claxton said: "We can best build up and maintain our defences to meet requirements of the 'long pull' if there is as wide as possible an understanding of the objectives and of the progress being made to meet its requirements."

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WORK STOPPAGES DOWN: There was less time lost through work stoppages arising from industrial disputes during March than in any month since April, 1951, according to a preliminary summary of strikes and lockouts released on April 26 by the Hon. Milton F. Gregg, Minister of Labour.