

powerful influences in the furtherance of world peace; and this, increasingly so, as the years go by. Perhaps we should not have the opportunity we have, nor the scope we have, were it not that we in Canada are living at the side of this great country; and that, as a consequence, our officials are constantly sharing experiences, and exchanging views and opinions, with officials of the United States. Our ministers are continually meeting ministers of this country. I believe it is true of international negotiations, as between the United States and Canada, that our public men and officials have come to know each other so completely that the attitude which prevails, once negotiations are under way, is one of well-nigh complete confidence and trust. That is not equally so between most other nations. As a matter of fact, in most negotiations, those representing other countries feel that they have constantly to be on the lookout for something hidden, for something being sought in an indirect way, something not revealed when negotiations themselves were begun.

I have followed closely the international relations of our two countries over a good many years. I am happy to