

the two nations is absolutely essential and, despite anything that may appear on the surface, such an understanding is still to be realized.

If it had not been for the Lusitania and Lafayette, for its own interests and a feeling of sentiment for France, it is doubtful whether America would have entered the war to support Great Britain. Both in the United States and on a transport laden with troops I have noticed that the British National Anthem can command a good reception but it is the Marseillaise which draws your American to his feet in the same way as the Star Spangled Banner. Such a condition is perfectly appreciated in England where every proper means are being adopted to induce a warmer friendship on the part of those millions of United States soldiers overseas who are surprised to see that Britain is not the effete despotism which their prejudices had conceived. Excellent pioneer work is thus under way but Canada has an important function to perform as an intermediary in interpreting the two national ideals, one to the other, not through selfish motives but in the interests of a lasting League of Nations.

Great then as have been the undertakings of the war, they will pale into insignificance besides those political, economic and social undertakings which must surely follow in the wake of peace.

THE END.