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Atomic Information: Following is the Canadian Press report of the press conference on Wednesday of the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Howe:

Acting Prime Minister Howe said yesterday there is an exchange of classified atomic information between Canada and the United States and "we've nothing more to ask for at the moment."

"There is some classified information we don't get," the Cabinet's atomic expert told a press conference, "and that includes the bomb ... we don't want to know about the bomb."

Mr. Howe said Canada has had no connection in any way with the hush-hush meetings in Washington which officials there say concerns future United States relations with Britain and Canada in the atomic field.

The crux of the Washington meetings now appears to be whether Britain will get U.S. information to help her go into A-bomb production. Mr. Howe said Ottawa has no way of knowing what they are about.

But he did reiterate the Government's position that Canada is not interested in manufacturing the bomb and his own statement of some years ago that Canada could make a bomb if she had to.

"Maybe it wouldn't be as good a bomb as the Americansturn out," he smiled, "but it would be a bomb."

Mr. Howe indicated that Canada is satisfied with the present information she gets from the U.S. and said "they get the same kind of classified (secret) information from us."

As he spoke the Cabinet's top atomic advisers -- members of the Atomic Energy Control Board -- were meeting at the Chalk River pilot plant, 125 miles north of Ottawa. Mr. Howe said their meeting was "purely routine" and had no connection with the Washington developments.

Canada's atomic studies were devoted entirely to peacetime uses of the energy as power and fuel and, in radioisotopes, as instruments for research in the fields of medicine, industry and science. Progress was being made in the power study "but no results are ready yet."

Mr. Abbott Returning: The Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Howe, said on Wednesday that the Minister of Finance, Mr. Abbott, would be in Ottawa Friday and it will be up to Mr. Abbott to decide whether he wants a special cabinet meeting to discuss his dollar-crisis visit to London, the Canadian Press reported.

If not, the next meeting is slated for next Tuesday.

Mr. Howe told a press conference he had no information to impart about the talks of Commonwealth and United States officials on Britain's dollar shortage.

He indicated it is unlikely that the fall session of Parliament will be called before September 15.

Marquis Duquesne Portrait: The only known portrait of the Marquis Duquesne de Menneville, Governor of New France from 1752 to 1755, has been presented to Canada. Who painted it or why or when, nobody knows, says the report of the Globe and Mail of Toronto this morning.

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