

He remained until 1938 when he was briefly replaced by Hon. Daniel Roper, for a few weeks at the time of the Royal Visit. During the 1939 visit to Canada of Their Majesties King George V and Queen Mary, just before they crossed the border for their visit to Washington and New York, His Majesty formally received in audience the new American Minister in Ottawa. He also, in his historic visit to the Canadian Parliament, signed the latest trade agreement between Canada and the United States. Thus Mr. Roper, formally accredited to the sovereign in his capacity of King of Canada, had the unusual honour of presenting himself to the royal Head of State instead of to his representative, the Governor General.

Early in 1940 Hon. James H.R. Cromwell, then married to the wealthy tobacco heiress, Doris Duke, was appointed as Minister to Canada, but he was an aspirant for higher political office in the United States.

After three months, on June 13, 1940, Mr. Cromwell was replaced by another career diplomat, Mr. J. Pierrepont Moffat, whose wife was the daughter of the distinguished nestor of the U.S. Foreign Service, Hon. Joseph C. Grew; but Mr. Moffat died at his post on January 24, 1943, from a coronary embolism following an operation. (1)

(1) His diary and memoirs of his incumbency in Ottawa have been published in The Moffat Papers. (Harvard University Press, 1956).