

tentatively, the possibility of recommending the issue of a modified document covering admission to the United States only for a brief specified period - say a week or a month - and to be issued at a lower price. Also consideration might be given to the establishment of branches of the passport office at various centres in Canada. Even if this were done, tremendous inconvenience would be occasioned to tens of thousands of Canadians. The only ^{offset} ~~solution~~ would be that it would mean less spending of Canadian money in the United States

(2) As regards action by Canada, we are in difficulty whatever we do. It will be very difficult to avoid some action without a tremendous cry from the "fifth column" alarmists. On the other hand, if we take action parallel to that of the United States and require a passport and Consular visa from every United States citizen entering Canada, we must face the fact that it will kill 95% of our tourist traffic. We have been counting, perhaps optimistically, on obtaining in this way \$200,000,000 vitally needed for the purchase of essential war requirements in the United States. We cannot borrow there; we are already sending all our gold; we cannot materially increase our exports. The strain may mean the rapid depreciation of the Canadian dollar.