"A Calgary tankman captured at Dieppe -- Corporal Albert K. Thompson -- in a letter to his parents in Calgary, says: 'We were untied this afternoon. Maybe for good.' The letter was dated November the seventh, 1942. It is believed to be the first letter to arrive in Calgary telling of the unshackling of Canadian prisoners."

Mr. Wrong stated that the position had not yet been clarified and that little additional information was available beyond that already given to the press.

3. Visit to Canada of Mr. Alberto Guani:-

Reference was made to the Ottawa Journal despatch of January 13 regarding the proposed visit to Canada of the Foreign Minister of Uruguay, Mr. Alberto Guani. Mr. Wrong indicated that when the Canadian Trade Mission under the Honourable James A. Mackinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce, visited Uruguay in September, 1941, it was received by Dr. Guani. Dr. Guani will therefore be paying a return visit to Canada. He will be arriving in Ottawa at noon on Thursday, January 28 and will be leaving Ottawa on Saturday afternoon, January 30, for New York.

Uruguay, he said, is one of the most democratic and progressive countries of Latin America. Nothing could be said at present concerning the exchange of diplomatic representatives with Uruguay, although in confidence Mr. Wrong indicated that it might be found practicable to appoint the Canadian Minister at Buenos Aires as our Minister in Montevideo.

4. Border crossing arrangements:-

Reference was made to the Canadian Press despatch of January 13 from Washington and it was pointed out that there were a number of inaccuracies in this despatch which inferred that Canada had imposed passport requirements on visiting United States nationals. The present position with regard to border crossing was set forth and it was stated that a joint release would be made in due course in Ottawa and Washington.

5. Visit to Canada of General de Gaulle:-

No definite statement could be made at the moment. It had been announced by both General Giraud and the Fighting French in London that a fairly early meeting was to be expected, probably at the end

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