

11. Mr. R.E. Collins, formerly Second Secretary at the Canadian Embassy in Chungking, left for Washington in September to take up his duties as Second Secretary at the Canadian Embassy there.
12. Transfers of Third Secretaries from the Department in Ottawa during September included: Mr. P.A. Bridle to the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada in St. John's, Newfoundland; and Mr. J.H. Thurrott to the Canadian Embassy in Moscow.
13. The following temporary appointments have been made to the Department in Ottawa:

F.S.O.1 - R.A.G. Phillips - September 17.
 F.S.O.1 - J.D. McL. Weld - September 22.
 F.S.O.1 - Ross Campbell - September 24.

(F) INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES.

1. On September 3, the Third Inter-American Radio Conference opened in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: Mr. F.H. Soward, Department of External Affairs, was chairman of the Canadian Delegation. Other government delegates were: Mr. Donald Manson, Assistant General Manager, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation; W/C S.R. Burbank, Acting director of Signals, Department of National Defence for Air; and from the Department of Transport Mr. W.A. Rush, Controller of Radio, Mr. J.W. Bain, Senior Radio Engineer, and C.J. Acton, Supervising Radio Inspector.
2. On September 18 and 19 a Conference was held in Ottawa between representatives of Canada and the United States to discuss a draft convention for the development, protection and conservation of the Great Lakes Fisheries. The chairman was Mr. J.E. Read, Legal Adviser. Other External Affairs representatives were Messrs. R.M. Macdonnell, and E.R. Hopkins. Mr. C. Chatillon acted as Secretary. The Department of Fisheries was represented by Messrs. D.B. Finn, A.J. Whitmore, D.H. Sutherland and S.V. Ozere, while D.J. Taylor and H.H. MacKay represented the Ontario Department of Game and Fisheries. On September 19 Hon. H. Francis G. Bridges, Canadian Minister of Fisheries gave a luncheon at the Chateau Laurier in honour of the delegates. (Press Release No. 76, September 20.)

(G) OFFICIAL STATEMENTS AND RELEASES CONCERNING EXTERNAL RELATIONS.

(a) Statements in the House of Commons.

1. Reply by the Prime Minister to questions concerning the possibility of Canadian representation at the London meetings of the Council of Foreign Ministers. Sept. 6 and Sept. 27.
2. Reply by the Prime Minister to a question as to whether or not representations had been received by the Canadian government indicating that the United States was seeking to have Empire Preferences abandoned. September 7.
3. Statement by the Minister of Finance concerning cessation of Mutual Aid and subsequent means of ensuring the flow of essential supplies to our Allies following the end of hostilities. September 7.
4. Statement by the Prime Minister on the establishment of Canadian military courts and the procedure to be followed in connection with trials of war criminals. September 13.
5. Reply by the Prime Minister to a question on the procedure to be followed in the trial of Japanese war criminals. September 14.