

1949 and has made frequent visits. In January, the Canadian Government informed the Austrian Government that it was ready to proceed with the accreditation of the Canadian Minister to Switzerland as Minister to Austria. Credentials were presented in Vienna on September 9.

When Mr. Asgeir Asgeirsson was inaugurated as President of Iceland on August 1, Mr. William M. Benidickson, M.P., attended the ceremony as special representative of the Canadian Government.

Goodwill visits of the Royal Canadian Navy included calls at the ports of Antwerp, Dieppe, Toulon and Istanbul. The Swedish cruiser *Gotland*, first Swedish warship to visit Canada, put in at Halifax in March to return the visit paid by H.M.C.S. *Magnificent* to Gothenburg in 1950.