

close to Messrs. Duncan and Ambridge. Mr. Chateaubriand rode on the Mission plane on its flight from Rio de Janeiro to Sao Paulo. Every phase of the Mission's activities, and statements of purpose, were widely publicized. One of Mr. Chateaubriand's papers photographed Mr. Howe with the subject title "The Churchill of Canada".

Very fruitful discussions by individual business men were held in Brazil, and the Secretary of the Wheat Board concluded substantial sales of wheat to the Brazilian Republic.

Careful discussions were held with the Brazilians on the matter of possible future purchase by Canada of Brazilian cotton. Questions of the grading of peanuts and other similar commodities were also reviewed. In a word, a foundation was laid, which if properly followed through upon by Canadian industry, should result in larger two-way trade with Brazil.

### *Argentina*

A cordial reception was given the Mission by the Argentine Government. An interesting visit was had with President Juan Perón, and full meetings were held with leaders of government, banking, industrial and commercial circles in Argentina.

After two difficult crop years, the present year promises a bountiful crop for Argentina, which will go far to re-establish her international purchasing power.

The economy of Canada is somewhat more competitive with Argentina's than with those of the more tropically situated republics. Nevertheless, a large field for trade exists, and there are reasonable opportunities for building back Canadian-Argentine interchange to a considerably larger figure than that prevailing today. Argentina is keenly interested in expanding its commercial and cultural relations with Canada.

### *Uruguay*

Here again there is some competition between the animal husbandry and agricultural production of Uruguay with that of Canada, but there are many fields in which two-way trade can be developed, and these were explored in interesting meetings with various sections of business and industry in Uruguay. The Mission had the pleasure of meeting the President of the Governing Commission of Uruguay. The two day and one night stay in Uruguay was busy, interesting and productive.

From Uruguay the plane flew all afternoon, with a one hour refuelling stop at Rio de Janeiro, and thence all night to Belem, Brazil, where a five-hour operational stop was had.

A take-off was then made for Port-of-Spain, Trinidad.

### *Trinidad*

The Mission spent two days and one night here on an unofficial call. Fruitful discussions were held with Mr. Gomes, the head of the elected government, and with the alert and well-informed Sir Hubert Rance, Governor of Trinidad. Interest-