

ST. LAURENT: Well, Mr. Fisher, when people or organizations face and deal with real problems, they add substantially to their stature and to their own reputation and it seems to me that the United Nations at its last Assembly meeting did just that.

FISHER: I wish you'd tell us what you think the major accomplishments of the session were?

ST. LAURENT: Perhaps the most important single accomplishment was the resolution unanimously adopted by the Assembly on the principles governing the general regulation and reduction of armaments. Although Article 26 of the Charter provided for the eventual establishment of a system for the regulation of armaments, it is, I think, a most important and significant achievement that before the close of the first session of the General Assembly agreement was reached on some practical measures to attain that end. More significant still, perhaps, is the atmosphere of international co-operation and understanding which developed toward the end of the session when agreement on the disarmament question was reached. It was demonstrated at this assembly that when men want to agree they can usually find some way to compose their differences. If it be true that a will to co-operate was born at the Assembly, then that is the most important accomplishment of all.

FISHER: That is a feeling that seems to be shared by many of the leading delegates, Mr. St. Laurent. Senator Austin specifically singled it out for comment, just as you have. Ordinarily, Gentlemen, we close this program with one of our guests. But on this broadcast we are on two networks. So I would like to take this opportunity to thank you both for coming on this program. I have been your host on the broadcast. But you have been my hosts in the sense that I am broadcasting on your soil. I think that's a minor instance of the happy relationship between our two countries. And I hope that this will not be the last program on which Canadians and Americans will discuss together problems of foreign policy. Thank you very much, Mr. St. Laurent and Mr. Claxton.