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Mr. Charles M. Spofford To Visit Ottawa: Ottawa, January 3 (CP) -- Charles M. Spofford, American Chairman of the Atlantic Council of Deputies, will visit Ottawa shortly to discuss with the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Pearson, plans for the forthcoming meeting in Lisbon of the Atlantic Council of Foreign Ministers.

Mr. Pearson is Chairman of the Foreign Ministers Council.

An External Affairs Department spokesman declined to comment on reports from London and Paris that France has asked that the Lisbon meeting, scheduled for February 2, be postponed for two or three weeks. He said that if such a postponement is sought, the announcement should come from the French Government.

In confirming the forthcoming visit of Mr. Spofford, the spokesman said it was only natural that the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Deputies would want to meet to plan for the next regular meeting.

Montreal Contractor to Supervise Canadian Defence Construction in Europe: Ottawa, January 3, (CP) -- Albert Deschamps, well-known Montreal contractor, has been appointed by the Defence Production Department to look after Canada's interests in defence construction in Europe.

A Production Department official said today that Canada, with Army and Air Force units already in Europe, will have some interest in defence construction there. Mr. Deschamps will "look after those interests, whatever they may be," said the official.

Mr. Deschamps is expected to leave shortly to take up his new assignment.

The Minister of National Defence, Mr. Claxton said during a recent trip to Europe that airports will be needed in Europe to accommodate Canadian squadrons serving in North Atlantic Treaty forces. Canada plans to send a total of 11 squadrons, but some of them may use wartime airfields which have been rehabilitated.

Barracks may also be built for the Canadian army brigade now stationed at Hanover, Germany.

Prime Minister Churchill's Visit: Ottawa, January 4, (CP) -- Prime Minister Churchill's forthcoming visit to Washington and Ottawa is primarily to tell the United States and Canadian Governments his intimate and frank ideas on the problems threatening the peace and stability of the world. The British Prime Minister will also ask for similarly frank and considered viewpoints from Washington and Ottawa officials responsible for foreign and economic policy.

This was indicated here yesterday by those close to the arrangements for Mr. Churchill's visit. So far as is known here he will bring no specific problems to Ottawa. But he will hold conversations with Prime Minister St. Laurent and his Ministers in the privacy of Cabinet Council, and with Mr. St. Laurent at a luncheon arranged at the latter's residence for Sunday, January 13.

Primarily Mr. Churchill is crossing the Atlantic to talk with President Truman and his colleagues on all the problems threatening world peace and economic progress.

Strength Of The Canadian Dollar: Ottawa, January 3, (Globe and Mail) -- Ottawa is watching the marked strength of the Canadian dollar in New York with a feeling of satisfaction on the one hand and on the other a realization of the marked