

a private dinner by leading state officials and businessmen. A visit was paid to Mahabalapuram, south of Madras, an ancient centre of Hindu culture. Mr. Fleming was the first Canadian minister to have visited South India.

Ceylon

He was also the first Canadian Finance Minister to visit Ceylon, where the party were state guests from October 24 to October 28. In Colombo, Mr. and Mrs. Fleming stayed at "Temple Trees", the residence of the Prime Minister, Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike. Over the weekend, the Minister and Mrs. Fleming were guests of the Governor General, Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, in the King's Pavilion, Kandy. While in Kandy they called on Sir Nicholas Attygalle, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ceylon, to which Canada donated two buildings under the Colombo Plan. In Colombo, Mr. and Mrs. Fleming were entertained at a luncheon given by the Prime Minister and attended by members of the Cabinet, and at a reception and dinner given by the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. Nik Cavell. Mr. Fleming inspected the fish refrigeration plant, the aerial survey project, and the Katubedde technical school, all Canadian Colombo Plan undertakings. He announced at a press conference that Canada was prepared to provide an additional \$1.2 million to continue the aerial survey of Ceylon in 1958-59 and 1959-60.

Singapore

While in Singapore, the party were guests of the United Kingdom Commissioner-General for Southeast Asia, Sir Robert Scott. Mr. Fleming had talks with Sir William Goode, Governor of Singapore, Tun Lim Yew Hock, Chief Minister, and the Honourable T. M. Hart, Financial Secretary, and visited the Singapore Polytechnic where Canada equipped the machine shop. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming were entertained at luncheon by Mr. M. P. Carson, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner and at a dinner given by the Chief Minister and attended by leaders of the three other political parties in the Assembly.

Malaya

Mr. and Mrs. Fleming were guests of the Government during their brief visit to the Federation of Malaya, October 30 and 31. In Kuala Lumpur, they were received by Their Majesties, the Yang di-Pertuan Agong and Raja Permaisuri Agong. Accompanied by the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. A. R. Menzies, Mr. Fleming had talks with the Deputy Prime Minister, Dato Abdul Razak, Sir Henry Lee, Minister of Finance, and Mr. Tan Siew Sin, Minister of Commerce and Industry. He urged upon the Government of the Federation the relaxation of discriminations against Canadian dollar imports. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming were entertained by Sir Henry and Mr. Tan and toured the Aboriginal Research Centre.

Thailand

October 31 to November 3 was spent in Bangkok, where the British Ambassador, Sir Richard Whittington, acted as host to the Minister and Mrs. Fleming. The Minister had talks with, and was given a luncheon by the Acting Minister of Finance, Dr. Serm Vinichakul. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming were honoured at a reception given by Mr. C. V. Narasimhan, Executive Director of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, with whom the Minister had discussions respecting the Lower Mekong River power