

of the implications of the action which the United States was taking, and at one point went so far as to make the statement - which I discovered later was completely erroneous - that the new regulations would mean that United States citizens entering Canada would have to have passports.

12. Mr. Long contended that unless the United States adopted these regulations it would be impossible for them to prevent fifth column agents from entering the United States from Canada. He indicated strongly his belief that it was in Canada's interest to adopt similar regulations, in order to prevent saboteurs from entering Canada from the United States. I said that Canada had been at war for nine months, and had not found it necessary to institute such drastic controls along the border between the United States and Canada, and that it would consequently be difficult to persuade the Canadian people that it was necessary for the United States to institute such controls while it was still at peace.

13. During the course of the conversations, I reminded Mr. Long of the representations which we had made last September, and handed him a copy of the memorandum which we had at that time left with the Department of State. I said that the Canadian Government still stood by these objections. I drew particular attention to one of the points made in the memorandum - that it would be tragic if, as a result of these regulations, one of the last civilized frontiers which now

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