that too of the 1930's), and looking forward to the problems which lie ahead, we can, I think, feel measured confidence that the general lines of the policies pursued by the Western democracies are sound. If complacency is unjustified, so too is defeatism or despair.

"If the free nations, together, with patience and persistence, follow the lines of international policy now laid down, 1954 may bring us closer to the kind of world for which all right-thinking and peace-loving men and women pray."

GOUZENKO, INTERVIEW: The Department of External Affairs announced on January 5 that in accordance with arrangements made between the Canadian and United States Governments before Christmas, a meeting was held on January 4 at which representatives of the United States Government interviewed Mr. Igor Gouzenko. The meeting was presided over by Chief Justice James C. McRuer of the High Court of Ontario, who presided at the request of the Canadian Government. The United States Government was represented by His Excellency the United States Ambassador to Canada, Mr. R. Douglas Stuart, Senator William E. Jenner, Senator Pat McCarran and Mr. J.G. Sourwine. Mr. D.W. Mundell, Q.C., represented the Attorney General of Canada. Representatives of the Departments of Justice and External Affairs and of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police were also present at the meeting.

T. & C. DEPT. POSTINGS: The following postings were announced at the year-end by the Department of Trade and Commerce:

Mr. Donald Mackenzie Holton, of Toronto, has been posted to Bombay as Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, and succeeds Mr. Bruce I. Rankin in that port city.

Mr. Charles Reid Gallow, M.B.E., of Toronto, Commercial Secretary for Canada in Rio de Janeiro since 1951, has been transferred to New York as Consul and Trade Commissioner, succeeding Mr. Holton.

Mr. Clarence Joseph Van Tighem, of Strathmore, Alta., Consul for Canada and Trade Commissioner in Sao Paulo, Brazil, is being transferred to Rio de Janeiro as Commercial Secretary for Canada, effective early in the New Year. He will succeed Mr. C.R. Gallow, who has been transferred to New York.

BEST WISHES TO HAITI: The Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. St. Laurent, has addressed a letter to the President of the Republic of Maiti, His Excellency General Paul E. Magloire, conveying to him the best wishes of the Government and people of Canada on the occasion of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of Haiti.

APPOINTMENTS: The Department of External Affairs on January 4 announced the following

appointments effective immediately:

Mr. R.A. MacKay, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, to be Deputy Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs in succession to Mr. C.S.A. Ritchie who will accompany the Prime Minister on his forthcoming tour.

Mr. J.W. Holmes and Mr. Jean Chapdelaine, to be Assistant Under-Secretaries of State for External Affairs in succession to Mr. Jules Leger (who has been appointed Ambassador to

Mexico) and to Mr. R.A. MacKay.

Robert Alexander MacKay, who was born at Woodville, Ont., on January 2, 1894, joined the Department in 1943 having previously been Professor of Government and Political Science at Dalhousie University. He served as a member of the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations, 1937-40. He was President of the Canadian Political Science Association. 1943-44 and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada. He served as Deputy Chairman of the Committee of officials on Union of Newfoundland with Canada, 1948-49, and since 1950 has served as External Affairs member of the Canada-United States Permanent Joint Board on Defence.

John Wendell Homes, who was porn in London, Ontario, on June 18, 1910, joined the Department in 1943. He has been acting as Assistant Under-Secretary since his return to the Department last October following a two-year assignment as civilian member of the Directing Staff of the National Defence College, Kingston. He has also served as Chargé d'Affaires in Moscow and as Acting Permanent Delegate of Canada to

the United Nations, New York.

Jean Chapdelaine was born in Montreal on July 12, 1914, and joined the Department in 1937. He has been serving as Head of the European Division following his return from Germany where he was Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy. Previously he was Chargé d'Affaires in Dublin. He has also served at Washington and Paris, and attended a number of international conferences.

CONSUL AND TRADE COMMISSIONER: Mr. Arthur Evan Bryan, of Ottawa and Winona, Ont., has been appointed Consul of Canada and Trade Commissioner in Detroit, Mich., where he will continue to promote interest in the United States market among Canadian businessmen, the Department of Trade and Commerce announced on December 29. Mr. Bryan, who is being transferred from New York early in the New Year, will succeed Mr. Bertram C. Butler, who is proceeding to Paris as Commercial Counsellor.

Construction of wholesale and retail stores will cost an estimated \$87,455,000 in 1953, nearly three times as much as in 1952.