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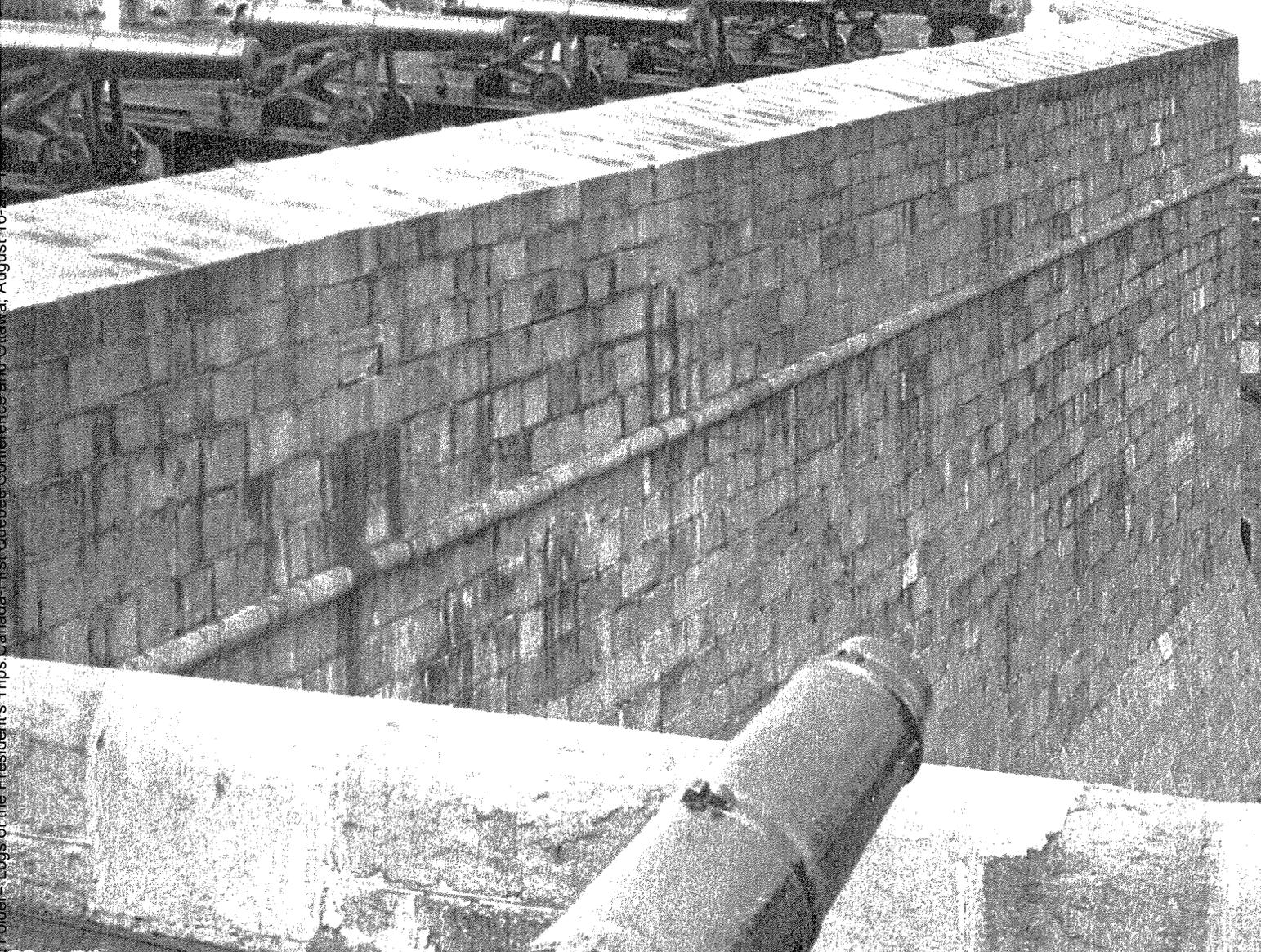
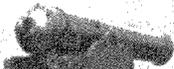
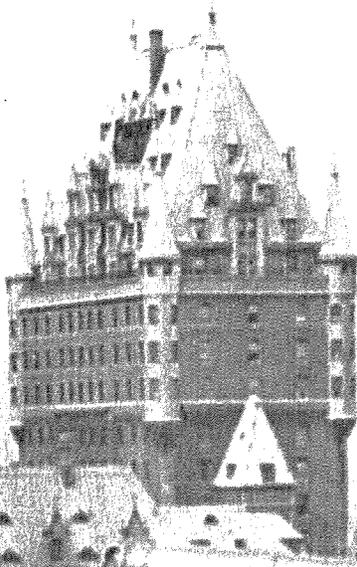
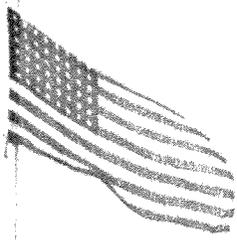
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The LOG of  
THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT  
to  
CANADA

16 August 1943 to 26 August 1943



17-24 August—"QUADRANT" CONFERENCE at QUEBEC

25 August — VISIT to OTTAWA

## THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY

## The PRESIDENT.

Hon. Harry L. Hopkins.  
 Hon. Stephen T. Early.  
 Rear Admiral Wilson Brown, U.S.N.  
 Miss Grace Tully.  
 Lieut-Comdr. George A. Fox, (HC) U.S.N.  
 Chief Ship's Clerk William M. Rigdon, U.S.N.  
 Mr. Dewey Long.  
 Mr. John Cook.  
 Mr. John Romagna.  
 Miss Louise Hachmeister.  
 Master Sergeant Montford Snyder, U.S.A.  
 First Sergeant Nicholas Hoch, U.S.M.C.  
 Sergeant Henry W. Combs, U.S.A.  
 Arthur S. Pretzman, steward first class, U.S.N.R.

## Secret Service Detail:

Mr. Frank J. Wilson, Chief of U.S. Secret Service.	Mr. Walter Haman.
Mr. Michael F. Reilly, Supervising Agent, White House Secret Service Detail.	Mr. Roy Kellerman.
Mr. Guy H. Spaman.	Mr. Neil Shannon.
Mr. James J. Rowley.	Mr. Vernon Spicer.
Mr. Howard S. Anderson	Mr. Jack L. Willard.
Mr. John Gorman.	Mr. Elmer Hipsley.
Mr. Charles Fredericks.	Mr. Wilmer K. Deckard.
Mr. Burrill Peterson.	Mr. Robert Hastings.
Mr. James Beary.	Mr. John Marshall.
Mr. Roland Savage.	Mr. James Griffith.
Mr. John Campion.	Mr. Frederick M. Clark.
Mr. Robert Holmes.	Mr. Robert Lowery.
Mr. George Schnelbach.	Mr. Edmund Waters.
	Mr. Andrew Daigle.
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	Mr. Frank B. Wood.

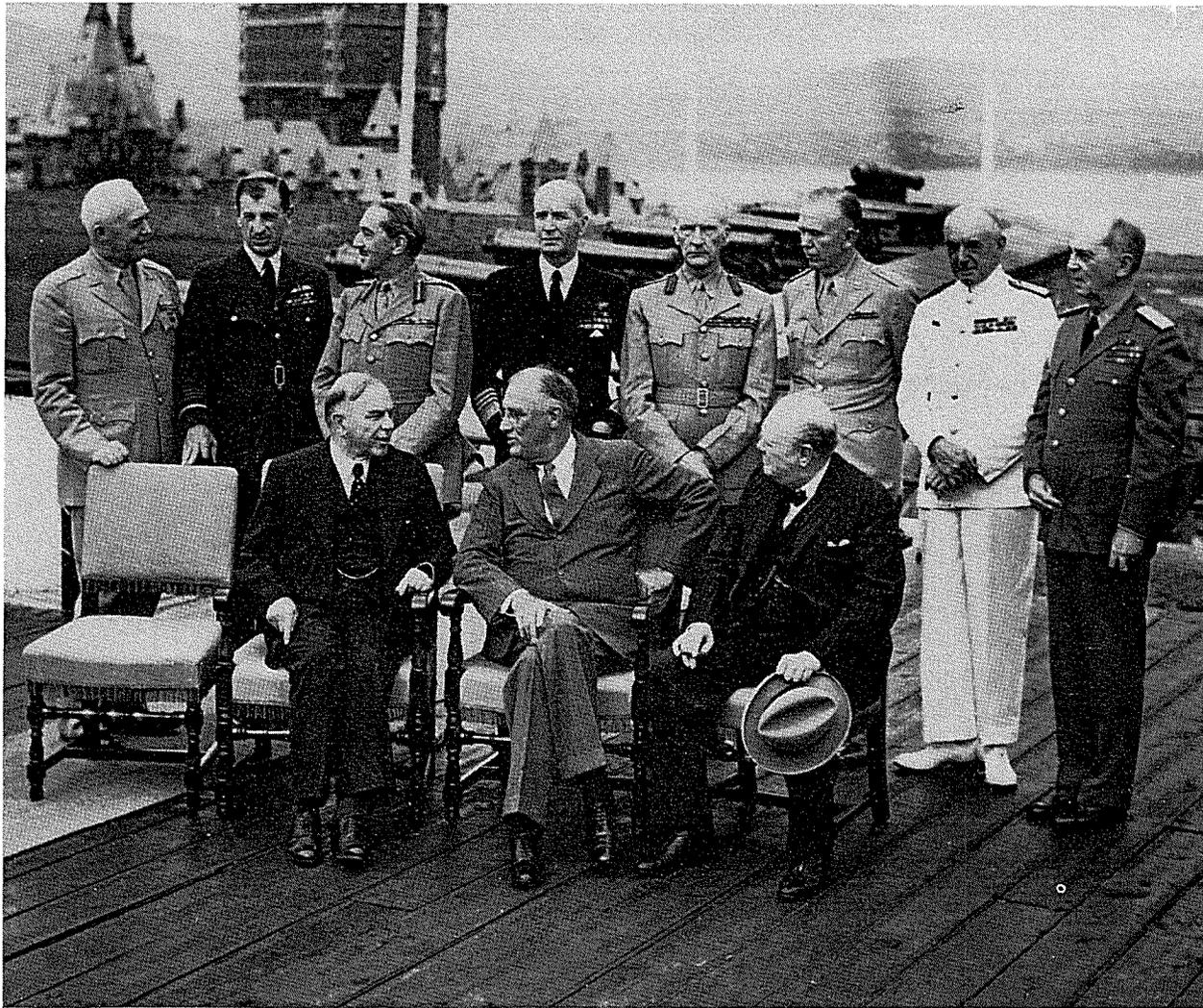
Mr. D. L. Moorman, General Passenger Agent, Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co.

Mr. H. H. Harwood, Special Passenger Agent,  
 New York Central Railroad ----- Washington to Montreal; Ottawa to Weehawken.  
 Major General T. T. Handy, U.S.A. ----- Washington to Quebec.  
 First Lieutenant Wayne Hawks,  
 Signal Corps, U.S.A. ----- Washington to Quebec.  
 Mr. Harry Lee, General Passenger Agent,  
 Canadian Pacific Railroad ----- Washington to Ottawa.  
 Mr. M. E. Doke, General Tourist &  
 Convention Agent, Canadian  
 National Railways ----- Delson to Quebec; to Ottawa; to Delson.  
 Admiral William D. Leahy, U.S.N. ----- Quebec to Washington.  
 Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntire (MC), U.S.N. -- Quebec to Washington.  
 Major DeWitt Greer, Signal Corps, U.S.A. -- Quebec to Washington.  
 Mr. Leo DeWaard, U.S. Postal Inspector -- Quebec to Washington.

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8-17-43 6:00 p.m.	Quebec, P.Q., Canada	8-24-43	11:00 p.m.
8-25-43 11:25 a.m.	Ottawa, Ont., Canada	8-25-43	7:00 p.m.
8-26-43 1:30 a.m.	Rouses Point, N. Y.	8-26-43	1:30 a.m.
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QUEBEC: THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF CALL AT THE CITADEL

## Foreword

When the President and the Prime Minister parted in Washington in May 1943, they agreed to meet together in the late summer to discuss again the leading military and diplomatic problems of their allied nations. They had long hoped to meet with Marshal Stalin and they wished that the next meeting might find him a partner in discussion. For some weeks this hope dominated their plans, but when it seemed more feasible for the President to meet Premier Stalin in private conference, without Mr. Churchill, plans were laid for a later assembly of the British and American Leaders and their staffs to follow the proposed Russo-American meeting.

Late in June the President recommended to the Prime Minister that this Anglo-American Conference be held in Quebec, a happier place in summer than Washington. Quebec offered the advantages of a delightful climate and appropriate and comfortable quarters at the historic Citadel and the Chateau Frontenac. By mid-July when it seemed likely that Marshal Stalin would be unable to leave his armies, even briefly, during their first summer offensive, the President suggested to Mr. Churchill that time would be ripe for their conference around the first of September.

The very rapid changes on the several fronts and, in particular, the overwhelming success of the Sicilian campaign made it imperative to hold the meeting earlier. The degeneration of Italian resistance and the possibility of complete Italian collapse, greatly increased by the unexpected fall of Mussolini on July 25th, gave birth to new problems

## THE LOG

Monday, August 16th

President Roosevelt and his party left Washington, by rail, at 8:20 p.m. for Quebec, P.Q., Canada, where he was scheduled to meet the Right Honorable Winston L. Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain, for their Sixth War Conference. Our departure was delayed for 20 minutes because of the exceedingly full day put in by the President, extending him to the limit. The President had just returned to Washington at 7:40 a.m. from Hyde Park where he had held important preliminary discussions with the Prime Minister.

Our route to Quebec was as follows: Over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad system to Claremont, N.J.; thence via the New York Central (West Shore line) to Albany, N.Y. At Albany we were to be taken over by the Delaware and Hudson Railroad, over whose scenic route we were to travel to Montreal. From Montreal to Quebec the facilities of the Canadian Pacific Railroad were to be used.

Tuesday, August 17th

We crossed the International Border into Canada at Rouses Point, N.Y., at 12:30 p.m. At 1:00 p.m. we made a brief stop at Delson, Quebec, to embark the following members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, who accompanied the President's party to Quebec: Assistant Commissioner Kemp, Corporal G. M. Glanville, Constables R. W. Storie, A. R. Nelson, and J. L. Raymond. Corporal Glanville and Constables Storie and Raymond were old friends to us as they had been with us

during the President's fishing trip to McGregor Bay, Ontario, a few weeks previous.

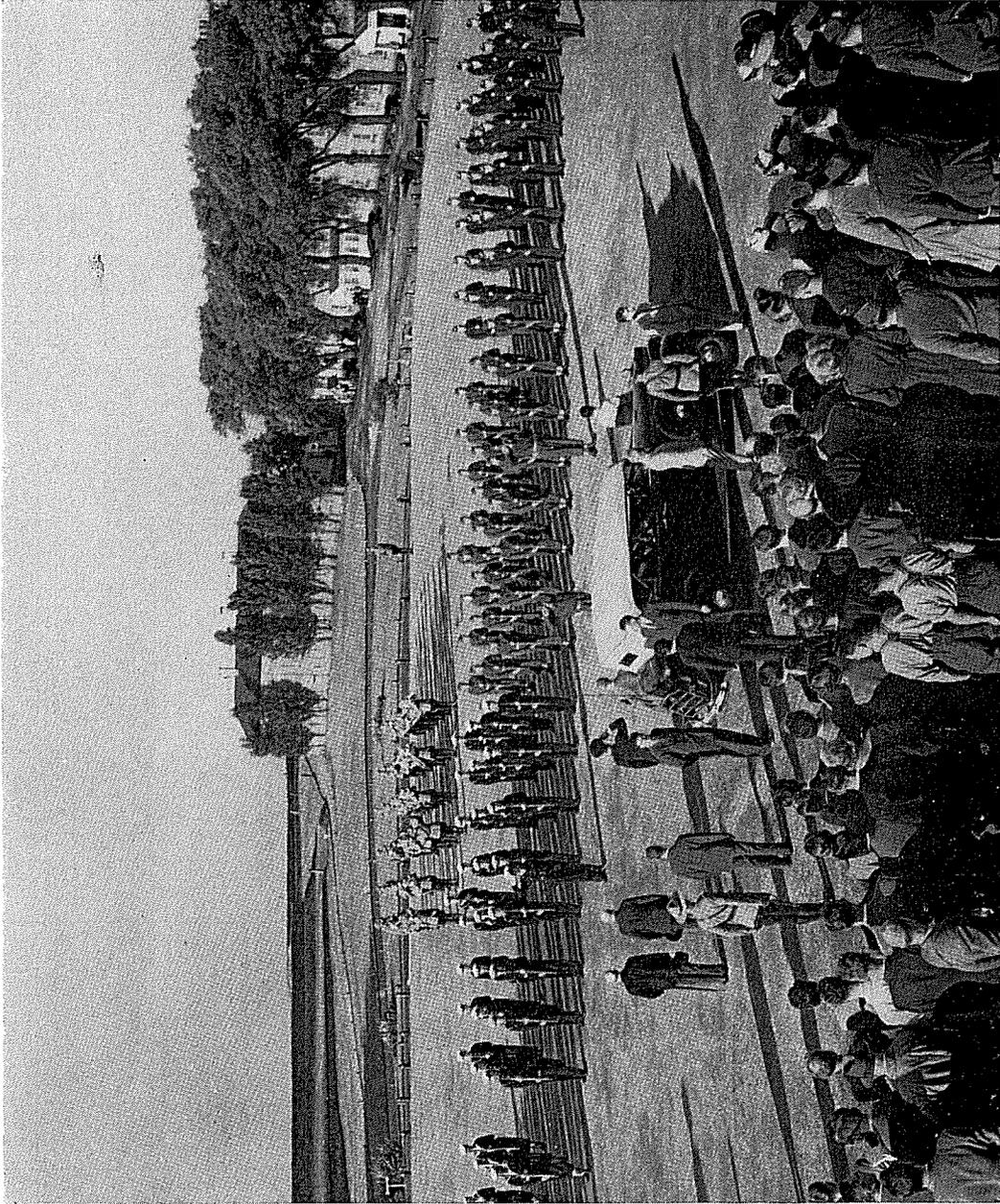
Our next stop was at 1:30 p.m., when we made a brief operating stop at the Park Avenue station in Montreal. A fair sized crowd of curious people gathered outside the station to see what was happening, attracted, no doubt, by the very strict precautions imposed by the Canadian authorities to insure the President's safety, and the presence of so many of our burly (as the Canadian press described them) Secret Service operatives. However, Fala's appearance on the station platform for a limbering up seemed to dispell most of their doubts as to whom Canada's distinguished visitor was.

The Quadrant Conference had officially convened at Quebec on August 11th. Major General T. T. Handy, U.S.A., had been in attendance there since the opening and had come to Washington by air Monday, August 16th, to accompany the President to Quebec. During the day he informed the President of the progress of the conference discussions to date.

Today was Mr. Hopkins' birthday and he observed it by treating members of the party to "Old Fashions."

After a very pleasant trip from Washington, we arrived in Quebec at 6:00 p.m., exactly on schedule. Our train was parked at the Wolfe's Cove station, on the banks of the majestic St. Lawrence about two miles by auto from the Citadel, Canada's historic fortress.

The President was met at the train by the Governor-General of Canada (The Earl of Athlone), the Prime Minister of Great Britain (The Right Honorable Winston L. Churchill), the Prime Minister of Canada



THE PRESIDENT (SEATED IN HIS CAR) ARRIVES AT THE CITADEL IN QUEBEC

(The Right Honorable W. L. Mackenzie King), the Canadian Minister to the United States (Honorable Leighton McCarthy); Admiral William D. Leahy, U.S.N. (President Roosevelt's Chief of Staff); Mr. W. Averell Harriman (Lend-Lease Coordinator in London for Combined Production and Resources Board), and Mr. Lewis W. Douglas (Deputy U.S. War Shipping Administrator). As the President walked from his train he was greeted with enthusiastic and resounding cheers by the crowd gathered at Wolfe's Cove. He acknowledged these greetings with his characteristic smile and wave.

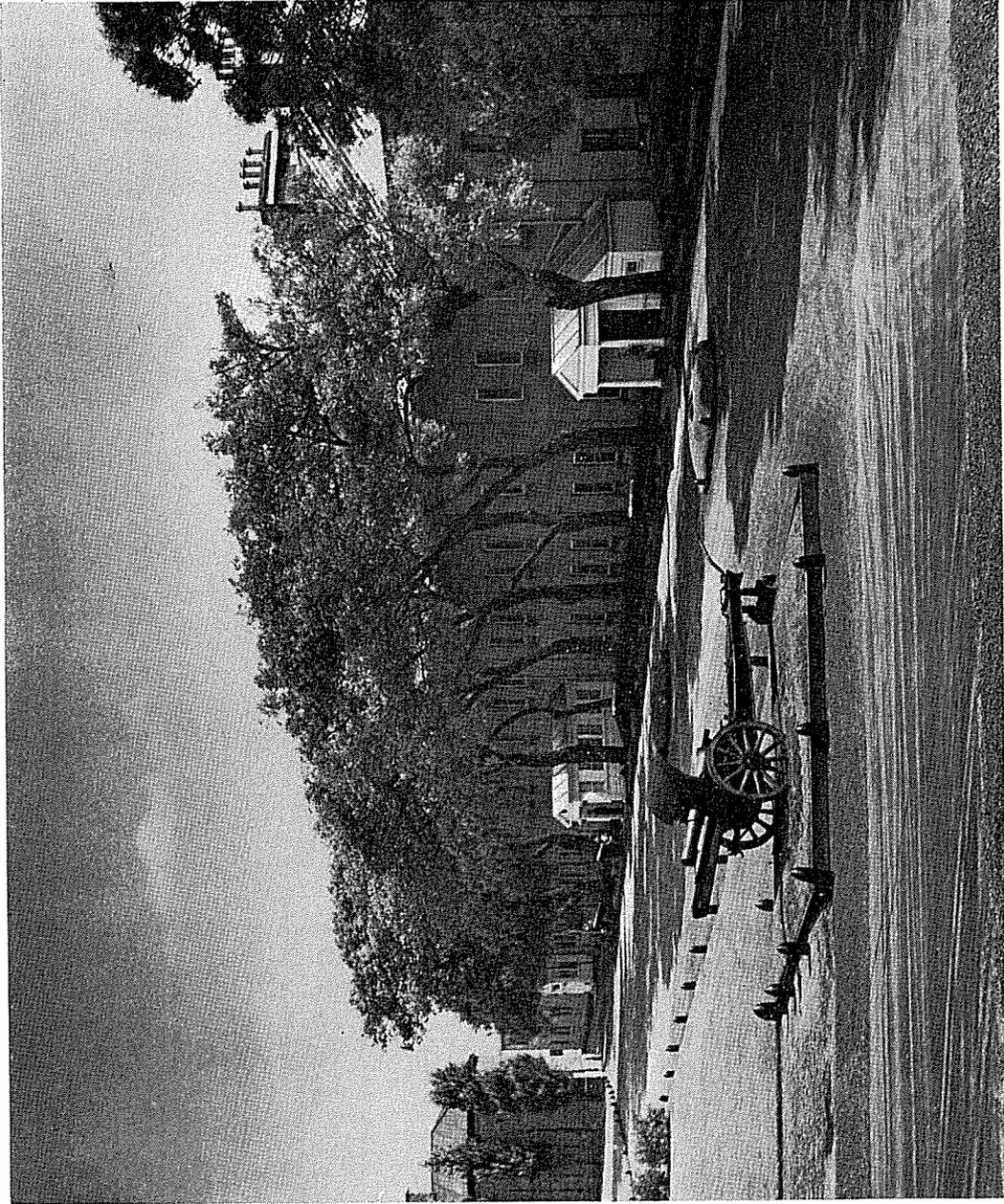
For the drive to the Citadel the President was accompanied by the Governor-General. The party was driven directly to the Citadel where honors were rendered by a combined honor guard composed of units of the Royal Marines (members of Mr. Churchill's guard who accompanied him from England), the Royal Canadian Army, Navy, and Air Force, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police band from Ottawa. As our national anthem was being played the Stars and Stripes was hoisted to the peak on a third flagpole alongside and to the left of the British and Canadian colors. This was the first time these three flags had ever flown together over this famous fortress.

After honors, the combined Roosevelt-Churchill-King party posed for the army of photographers who had been waiting for some hours for what had been described to them as a "very special occasion." Then the President and Prime Minister Churchill retired to the Governor-General's summer residence, within the Citadel compound, where they were to reside during their stay in Quebec by special invitation of King George VI. The Governor-General and his wife, Her Royal Highness

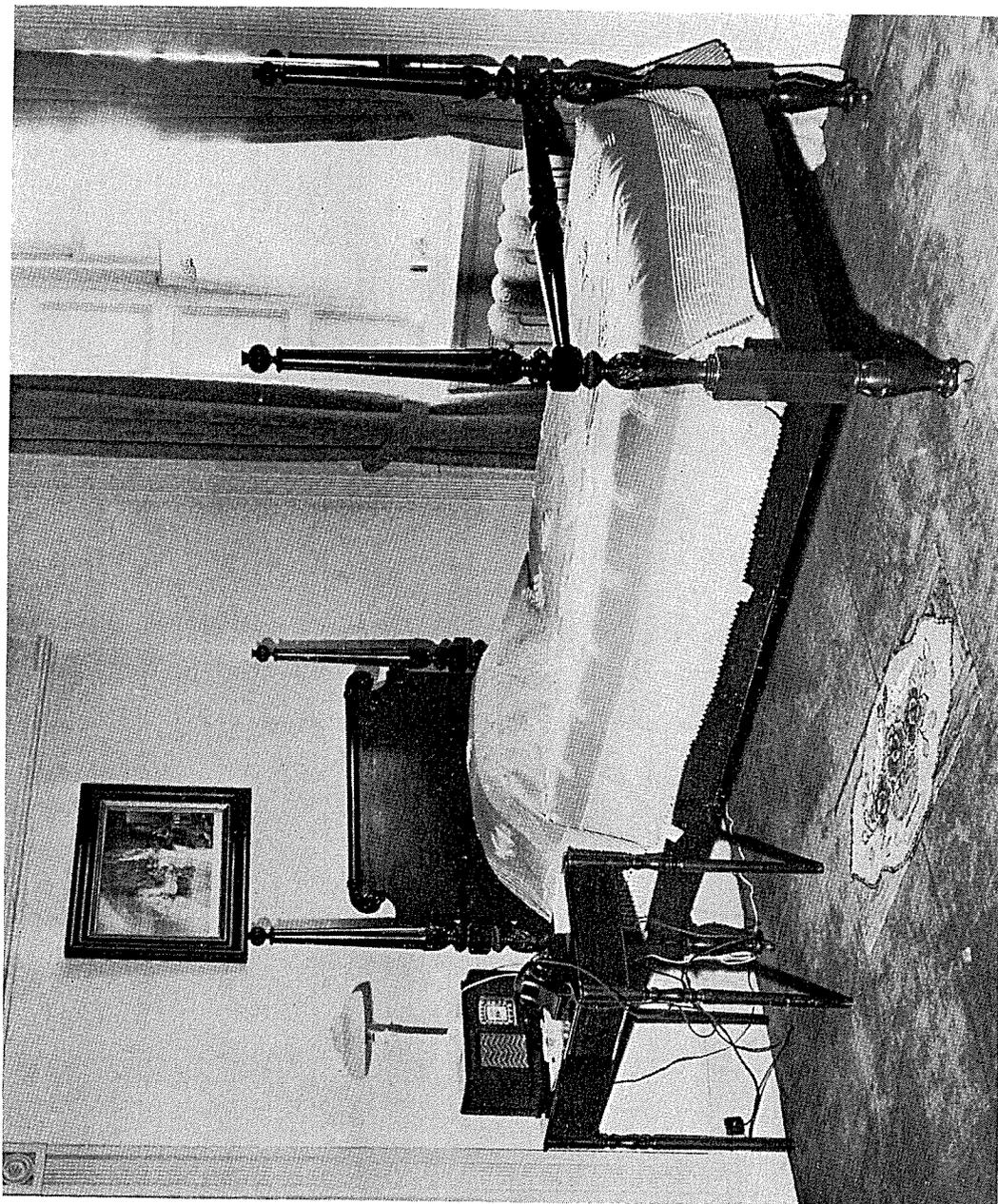
Princess Alice, who had come from Ottawa for the day, maintained quarters in their private railroad car. Mr. Harry Hopkins, Admiral Leahy and Rear Admiral Brown occupied quarters at the Governor-General's summer residence in the Citadel. All other members of our party were quartered at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec's world famous hostelry, as the guests of the Canadian Government. Here also were quartered all other members of the Canadian-British-American Quadrant Conference party. The Chateau, having been taken over by the Canadian Government, was closed to the general public during the conference. Here was the official conference headquarters and it was at the Chateau that the various Staffs met daily for their momentous conferences. Plenary reports by the Combined Chiefs of Staff were made to the President and the Prime Minister at the Citadel as occasion demanded.

Lieutenant Colonel Chester Hammond, U.S.A., assisted by Captain Ogden Kniffin, A.U.S., Lieutenant (junior grade) George M. Elsey, U.S.N.R., and Warrant Officer (junior grade) Albert M. Cornelius, U.S.A., who had come to Quebec earlier to establish a map room in the Citadel for the President, were standing by the President's map room on his arrival at the Citadel to acquaint him with all the latest developments of the war. War reports had been radioed to the train during our trip up from Washington, but a more complete picture was available here for the President. The Prime Minister had his own map room in another part of the Citadel. His staff had arrived a week earlier than Lieutenant Colonel Hammond.

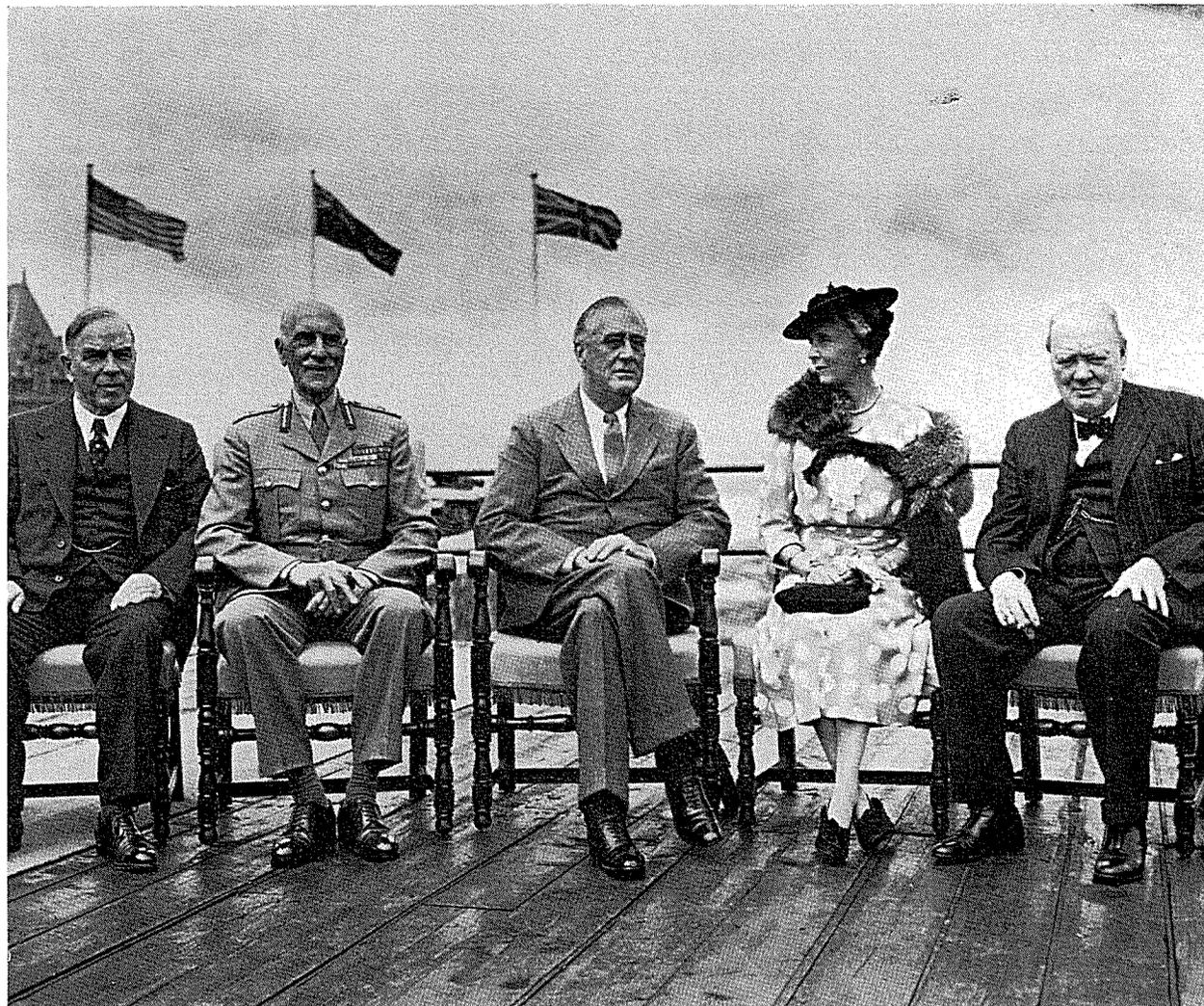
Major DeWitt Greer, Signal Corps, U.S.A., who had also preceded the President's party to Quebec, had the communications set-up functioning



THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SUMMER RESIDENCE (RIGHT)



THE PRESIDENT'S BEDROOM, AT THE CITADEL



THE PRESIDENT CHATS WITH (LEFT TO RIGHT) PRIME MINISTER MACKENZIE KING, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL,  
PRINCESS ALICE AND PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL

perfectly on our arrival, so that the President was never out of instantaneous communication with Washington. At the Citadel we had our own telephone exchange, called AMCO. At the Chateau the U.S. Army maintained a private exchange, called BOSCO. Both exchanges had direct wire service to Washington and the White House. Direct telegraph wire service was available between the Citadel and the White House.

At 6:30 p.m. the Governor-General entertained at a small reception in honor of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill.

At 8:30 p.m., the Governor-General and Her Royal Highness Princess Alice were hosts at a dinner in honor of Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt. Both the reception and the dinner were held at the Governor-General's summer residence in the Citadel.

After dinner the President held discussions with the Prime Minister until a late hour.

Wednesday, August 18th.

During the forenoon the President saw General George C. Marshall, U.S.A., Admiral William D. Leahy, U.S.N., Rear Admiral Wilson Brown, U.S.N., Brigadier General A. C. Wedemeyer, U.S.A., Mr. Harry Hopkins, and Mr. Stephen T. Early, at different times, for discussions.

The President was a guest at luncheon at the Citadel at 1:30 p.m. There were approximately 25 other guests including Prime Minister Churchill. The Governor-General and Princess Alice were again the hosts. Their original plans to return to Ottawa yesterday evening had been altered to permit them to remain in Quebec to give this luncheon. After the luncheon, a very large group of photographers took pictures of

the party, which included the Governor-General, Princess Alice, the President, Mr. Churchill, Mr. King, the Combined British and American Chiefs of Staff, and various members of the Churchill and Mackenzie King families. The battlements of the ancient Citadel, the harbor, and distant views of the city of Quebec were used as background for the pictures taken.

Shortly after luncheon, Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Brendan Bracken, British Minister of Information, and Sir Alexander Cadogan, British Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, arrived from England via clipper and were received at the Citadel.

During the afternoon the President saw Major General Handy and Mr. Harry Hopkins. Prime Minister Churchill accompanied Wing Commander G. P. Gibson, R.A.F. (the "dam buster") and Brigadier Wingate (British Army) for separate interviews with the President.

The President, this afternoon, sent a personally worded message of congratulations to General Eisenhower and his forces for their fine accomplishments in Sicily.

At 8:30 p.m. the President attended a dinner at the Citadel given by Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada. The guests included Prime Minister and Mrs. Churchill; Subaltern Mary Churchill; the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, Sir Eugene Fiset and Lady Fiset; Cardinal Villeneuve; the Lord Bishop of Quebec and Mrs. Carrington; the Premier of Quebec, Honorable Adelard Godbout and Mrs. Godbout; Honorable Leighton McCarthy, the Canadian Minister to the United States; Mr. Ray Atherton, the United States Minister to Canada; the Right Honorable Anthony Eden, British Foreign Minister; the Right Honorable Brendan Bracken, British Minister of Information; Justice Minister St. Laurent



THE RIGHT HONORABLE ANTHONY EDEN IS WELCOMED TO QUEBEC



THE SUN ROOM ON THE TERRACE OF THE CITADEL, OFTEN USED BY THE PRESIDENT AND MR. CHURCHILL FOR THEIR CONFERENCES

(Canada) and Mrs. St. Laurent; the Right Honorable Malcolm MacDonald, British High Commissioner to Canada; Miss Sheila MacDonald, Malcolm MacDonald's sister; Mr. Harry L. Hopkins, Chairman United Nations Munitions Assignment Board; Mr. W. Averell Harriman, of the Lend-Lease Administration; Admiral William D. Leahy, Chief of Staff to President Roosevelt; Field Marshall Sir John Dill, head of the British Chiefs of Staff Mission in Washington; General Sir Alan Brooke, Chief of the Imperial General Staff; General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, Chief of the British Naval Staff; Admiral Ernest J. King, Chief of the U.S. Naval Staff; General H. H. Arnold, Commanding General, U.S. Army Air Forces; Air Marshal Sir Charles Portal, Chief of the British Air Staff; Vice Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, Chief of Combined Operations; Lieutenant General Sir Hastings Ismay, Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Churchill; Rear Admiral Wilson Brown, Naval Aide to President Roosevelt; Lord Moran, the Prime Minister's physician; Sir Alexander Cadogan, British Permanent Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs; Mr. Norman Robertson, Canadian Undersecretary of State for External Affairs; Mr. Stephen T. Early, President Roosevelt's Press Secretary; Mr. D. C. Coleman, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway; Mr. R. C. Vaughan, president of the Canadian National Railways, and Mrs. Vaughan; Mr. J. W. McConnell, publisher of the Montreal Star, and Mrs. McConnell; Brigadier Edmond Blais, District Officer Commanding Military District No. 5 (Quebec), and Mrs. Blais; Lieutenant Colonel L. Patenaude, governor of the Citadel; and Colonel Willis-O'Connor, principal aide-de-camp to the Governor-General.

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Churchill until another late retiring.

The President announced today that he would visit Ottawa next Wednesday after the close of the Quebec Conference.

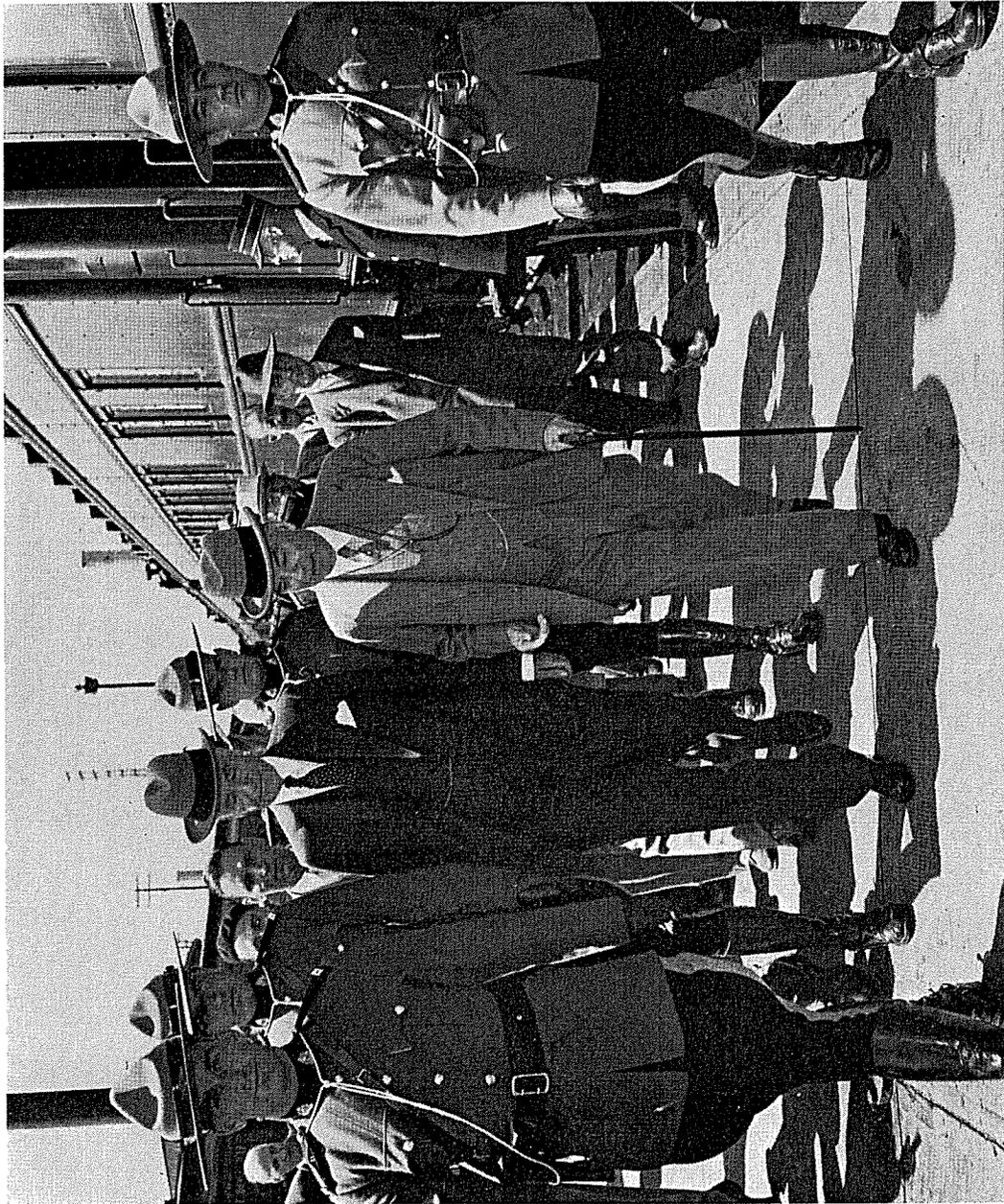
Thursday, August 19th.

During the forenoon the President saw General H. H. Arnold and various members of General Arnold's staff, Mr. Harry Hopkins, Mr. Stephen T. Early, and Rear Admiral Wilson Brown for discussions.

The President attended a luncheon on the terrace of the Citadel at 1:30 p.m. Others attending were Prime Minister Churchill, Mr. Anthony Eden, Mr. Harry Hopkins, Mr. Averell Harriman, and Mr. Ray Atherton.

During the afternoon the President held discussions with Prime Minister Churchill, and, at 5:30 p.m., the Combined British and American Chiefs of Staff came to the Citadel to hold a plenary session with the President and Prime Minister Churchill. The Combined Chiefs of Staff reported the results of their conferences to date and their schedule for future meetings. The President and the Prime Minister made informal comments about some of the decisions reached and outlined various measures that they wished to have studied and made the subject of further reports. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. with the agreement that the President and the Prime Minister would be notified when the Combined Staffs are ready for further discussions with the Heads of State.

At 9:30 p.m. the President had dinner at the Citadel with the Churchill family and Mr. Harry Hopkins. After dinner he and the Prime Minister were again closeted for several hours of discussions before he retired.



THE HONORABLE CORDELL HULL ARRIVES

Friday, August 20th.

Their work caught up for the moment, the President and the Prime Minister observed today as a holiday. At 10:20 a.m. a party consisting of President Roosevelt, Prime Minister and Mrs. Churchill, Commander C. R. Thompson, R.N., Mr. Harry Hopkins, Mr. Averell Harriman, and Rear Admiral Wilson Brown left the Citadel by auto for Lac de E'Paule for a fishing and picnic party. Lac de E'Paule was selected for fishing because of its nearness to the city (Quebec) rather than for its known quality of fishing. It is a beautiful little lake, surrounded by hills, in a portion of the Quebec Park System. A very comfortable lodge is maintained. The air was cool and stimulating and the day was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The trout caught were very small but the entire party brought home 50 or more. All fishing was done with a wet fly from small rowboats. The expedition provided a very pleasant break in the routine of conferences and, at the same time, enabled the President and the Prime Minister to discuss many details during the drive to and from the fishing grounds.

The Honorable Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, and Mr. James Dunn, political advisor to Mr. Hull, arrived in Quebec at 1:30 p.m., from Washington.

At 9:30 p.m. the President had dinner at the Citadel. Other diners were Prime Minister and Mrs. Churchill, Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Anthony Eden, and Mr. Harry Hopkins.

The President and the Prime Minister held their usual lengthy discussions after dinner and both retired very late.

Saturday, August 21st

During the forenoon the President saw Mr. Stephen T. Early, Major General A. R. Surles, U.S.A., Rear Admiral Wilson Brown, U.S.N., and Captain Leland P. Lovette, U.S.N., for discussions. He approved the joint Roosevelt-MacKenzie King press release concerning our reoccupation of Kiska in the Aleutians. He also conferred with various members of the American delegation to the Conference during the forenoon.

Mr. Lewis W. Douglas and Lord Leathers, British Minister of Transport, had luncheon with the combined Roosevelt-Churchill party (President Roosevelt, Prime Minister and Mrs. Churchill, and Subaltern Mary Churchill.)

During the afternoon the President, accompanied by the Right Honorable Malcolm MacDonald and his sister, Miss Sheila MacDonald, visited nearby Montmorency Falls and then returned to the Citadel for tea.

The President and the Prime Minister had a long talk before dinner. Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntire, (MC), U.S.N., President Roosevelt's personal physician, who arrived from Washington this afternoon, was the only guest outside the household for dinner this evening. After dinner Mr. Anthony Eden and Prime Minister Mackenzie King joined the President and Prime Minister Churchill and discussed affairs of state until a late hour.

Sunday, August 22nd

During the forenoon the President and Miss Tully worked on his correspondence.

Honorable Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, and Dr. T. V. Soong,