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# Before the War: The Life of a U.S. Ambassador in the Soviet Union

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In Nov.16, 1936, Joseph Edward Davies was appointed to be the U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union by President Roosevelt. Davies was the only western diplomat in the Soviet history who was honored with the Order of Lenin in May, 1945.

These photographs from his daughter's archive show his work, life, family and Moscow during the last peaceful days before the war comes to the country.

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