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WEEK'S EVENTS IN REVIEW

APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS: The Department of External Affairs announced on January 12 the following appointments and transfers:

Mr. D.M. Johnson, now head of the American and Far Eastern Division, is being posted to Dublin as Acting High Commissioner in the absence of the Honourable W.F.A. Turgeon who was recently appointed Chairman of the Royal Commission on National Transportation.

Mr. A.F.W. Plumptre will join the Department on January 17. He will be head of the Economic Division. This post has been vacant since October, when Mr. H.O. Moran was appointed Special Assistant to the Acting Under-Secretary.

Mr. Leon Mayrand, who is now Head of the European Division, will become the Head of the American and Far Eastern Division. He will be replaced as Head of the European Division by Mr. T.W.L. MacDermot, the Head of the Personnel Division.

Mr. M. Cadieux, of the Personnel Division, has been appointed Acting Head of the Personnel Division.

Following are brief biographies:

DAVID M. JOHNSON

Born at Lachine, Quebec. Graduated from McGill and Oxford (B.A., with honours in jurisprudence, and B.C.L.). He was with a legal firm in Montreal, then joined the Depart-

ment of Finance as Solicitor to the Treasury. In 1941 he was seconded to the Department of External Affairs and Served in the Office of the High Commissioner in London. In 1943, he joined the Canadian Army and served overseas. On demobilization, he returned to the Department of Finance and joined the Department of External Affairs in January, 1947. In his latest appointment he was head of the American and Far Eastern Division.

A. F. W. PLUMPTRE

Born in Montreal, 1907, Graduate of University of Toronto (B.A.) and Cambridge, England (M.A.). On economic staff of University of Toronto, 1930-41. Representative of Wartime Prices and Trade Board and Financial Attaché to the Canadian Embassy, Washington, 1942-45. Secretary, Wartime Prices and Trade Board, 1945-47. Associate Editor, Saturday Night, Toronto, 1947-49.

HERBERT OWEN MORAN

Born at Peterborough, Ontario, 1908. Graduated from University of Toronto and studied at Osgoode Hall. Called to the Ontario Bar in 1935, and practised in Toronto. Served overseas for five and a half years. In 1945 he became Officer I/C, Canadian Section Head-