

These were some of the fruits of the guidance and training undertaken by Dr. Skelton during his sixteen years, which he was able himself to see. Others of his officers subsequently rose to be High Commissioners, Ambassadors, Ministers and Consuls-General. His was a fructifying influence.

#### Internal Organization

Although the Department, prior to 1941, was still too small for much functional sub-division, which took place later, some specialization developed, - the germ of functional and political and administrative divisions. A Legal Adviser, John E. Read, was appointed to replace Loring C. Christie. A Counsellor was assigned to specialize on League of Nations work. Another officer attended to the increasing matters of local diplomatic relations and protocol. A reference library took shape, and information work was undertaken as a specialized activity. The Passport Office already had a separate cadre of staff. The administrative work resulted in the rise of a special section. The duties of registry, records and files became better organized. Coding and communications were transferred from the Governor-General's Office to the Department. Thus, there grew up the nucleus of a Department of various sections or future divisions, a "house of many mansions" which was to take more formal shape in the years subsequent to Dr. Skelton's