

Kenneth P. Kirkwood, by Treasury Board Minute P.C. 6/1789 of September 29, 1928, was "appointed to the Department as Second Secretary from the 1st of September, 1928", and was "assigned to the staff of the Canadian Legation at Washington for a short period." He was transferred back to the Department in Ottawa on April 1, 1929, but a few months later (August 14) he was posted to the new Legation in Tokyo as Third Secretary (shortly afterwards re-instated to Second Secretary) where he remained until December, 1938, when he was transferred to The Hague.

John E. Read held a temporary appointment as First Secretary (without examination) in 1928, from June 16 to September 30. He returned on May 20 (or 28) 1929, as Legal Adviser, remaining in the Department until 1946.*

Judge John Erskine Read, Q.C., B.A., D.C.L., LL.D.,
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was a Maritimer, born in Halifax on July 5, 1888; he received his education at Dalhousie University (B.A. 1909), Columbia University and Oxford University (B.A. 1912, D.C.L. 1913). He was called to the Bar of Nova Scotia in 1913, and was created a K.C. in 1925. From 1913 to 1920 he practised law, and in 1920 became Professor at Dalhousie Law School, where he became Dean from 1924 to 1929. He served in the First World War with C.F.A. 1914-18, was wounded and was invalided out of the service with acting rank of Major. From 1929 to 1946 he was Legal Adviser to the Department of External Affairs,

* (His son, T.H.W. Read, joined the Department in July, 1947)

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