## COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES IN CANADA

- 1. On May 6, the first Mexican Ambassador to Canada, Dr. Francisco del Rio, presented his letter of credence to the Deputy Governor General. The Embassy staff will consist of Mr. Antonio Mendez, Counsellor of Embassy, and Mr. Crisoforo Peralta and Mr. Jose Cavello, Secretaries. A Chancery has been established at 87 Sparks St., Ottawa.
- 2. Mr. Bo Jarnstedt replaced Baron H. Ramel as Attache at the Swedish Legation. Mr. Jarnstedt took up his duties on May 6.
- 3. At the United States Embassy, the following changes occurred during May: Mr. R. English, Consul at Edmonton, was appointed Second Secretary and Consul at Ottawa on May 23; Captain W. Hastings assumed his duties as Assistant Military Air Attache on May 29; Miss K. O'Connor was promoted to Second Secretary; Mr. J. E. Horner and Mr. J. N. Greene, Third Secretaries, have been transferred from Ottawa.

## VISITS BY COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN MONITARIES AND OFFICIALS

- 1. Mr. Pierre Mendes France, Commissioner of Finance of the French Committee of National Liberation, Visited Ottawa on May 15.
- Rt. Hon. John Curtin, Prime Minister of Australia, arrived in Ottawa on the night of May 30th, where he was met by Mrs. Curtin. He was accompanied from the United Kingdom by General Sir Thomas Blamey, G.B.E., K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Military Forces, and Sir Frederick Shedden, K.C.M.G., Secretary of the Department of Defence. While in Ottawa, Mr. Curtin addressed the Senators and Members of Parliament and held a press conference. He and his party left on June 1.

## CHANGES IN THE CANADIAN EXTERNAL

- On May 8 Wing Commander Jean Paul Desloges, Air Attache at the Office of the Canadian Representative in Algiers, was killed in an aeroplane accident at Casablanca, Morocco.
- The Prime Minister, accompanied by the Under Secretary of State for External Affairs and by Mr. W.J. Turnbull, arrived back in Ottawa from the London Conference on May 21. Mr. J.W. Pickersgill returned earlier, and Mr. J.W. Holmes shortly afterwards.
- Mr. J. S. Macdonald was appointed High Commissioner in Newfoundland on May 4.
- During May, Major G. J. Okulitch, Assistant Military
  Attache at the Embassy in Moscow, visited Ottawa. Mr.
  L. Mayrand, First Secretary at the Embassy in Brazil,
  returned to his post following a short stay in Canada.