

reserve force unit of the army with both infantry and artillery components, and set up Reserve formations of the RCAF.

Senior officers to represent the three Services in Newfoundland have already been appointed and it is expected that they will fly to St. John's on April 7 to set up headquarters. Small staffs will follow later.

For the Navy, Commodore V.S. Godfrey, OBE has been appointed Commodore Newfoundland, and the liaison officer for the Air Force is Wing Commander E.L. Wurtele, Brig. M.S. Dunn, OBE, ED, promoted from the rank of colonel, will command the new army area.

Graham Towers, Governor of the Bank of Canada, on March 29, announced the appointment of The Eastern Trust Company, St. John's, as Agent for the Bank in Newfoundland for the purpose of effecting transfers and exchanges of Government of Canada bonds in that province. Chartered banks and the public in Newfoundland will be able to make use of these facilities in St. John's for the transfer or exchange of Government of Canada bonds. P.B. Rendell, Manager of the company's St. John's office, has been appointed Agent and Officer in Charge for the purpose of providing facilities for the registration by chartered banks of notices of intention by borrowers to pledge security for loans made under Section 88 of The Bank Act.

The appointment of Victor Calver, former officer of the Newfoundland Department of Finance, as Manager of the Newfoundland office of the Foreign Exchange Control Board, was also announced by Mr. Towers.

**IMMIGRATION DISTRICTS:** The Immigration Districts of Canada have been increased from four to five in a re-arrangement coinciding with the entry of Newfoundland into Confederation, it was announced on March 20 by the Minister of Mines and Resources, Mr. MacKinnon.

The boundaries of the former Atlantic and Eastern Districts have been changed and a new District created which includes Newfoundland. The Western and Pacific Districts remain unchanged.

The areas included in the five Districts are as follows:

**Atlantic District** - Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island, with headquarters at Halifax.

**Eastern District** - New Brunswick and Quebec, with headquarters at Ottawa.

**Central District** - That part of Ontario lying east of a line running north from Schreiber, with headquarters at Ottawa.

**Western District** - That part of Ontario lying west of a line running north from Schreiber; Manitoba; Saskatchewan; Alberta; that part of British Columbia east of a line running north from and including Kingsgate; and the Northwest Territories, with headquarters at Winnipeg.

**Pacific District** - That part of British Columbia lying west of a line running north from Kingsgate, and Yukon Territory, with headquarters at Vancouver.

**NEWFOUNDLAND SERVICES:** The Postmaster General, Mr. Bertrand, in welcoming Newfoundland into the Canadian postal family, remarked that Canada's tenth Province, from April 1, would enjoy the same postal rates and privileges as the rest of the country.

Chief among these is All Up Mail Service, which was established in the rest of Canada on July 1, last year. As the result, when posted in Newfoundland to Canadian addresses, ordinary letter mails up to one ounce will be given transmission by air, without Air Mail charge whenever delivery will thus be expedited.

Newfoundland's Telegraphs, which were formerly operated by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs will, under Confederation, be operated by the Canadian National Telegraphs. The Canada Post Office is co-operating in having Postmasters at certain Newfoundland points continue to undertake telegraph duties.

## LATE NEWS

**MR. BRADLEY JOINS CABINET:** The Prime Minister, Mr. St. Laurent, announced on April 1 that the Honourable Gordon Bradley of Newfoundland had been sworn in that day to the Privy Council and had become Secretary of State of Canada.

**BUDGET DEBATE:** Motions of want-of-confidence were presented in the House of Commons on March 31 by the Progressive Conservative and C.C.F. parties when the Budget Debate resumed.

**SENATE APPROVES PACT:** The Senate, on March 31, endorsed the North Atlantic Security Pact unanimously, on a standing vote.