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The Department of External Affairs announced today the appointment of Major-General L.R. LaFlèche, D.S.O., as Canadian Ambassador to Argentina.

General LaFlèche was born in Kansas, U.S., in 1888 and was educated at Sorel and Montreal, P.Q. During the First World War, he served in France with the Royal 22nd Regiment. He entered the Cabinet in 1942 as Minister of National War Services and served as Member for Outremont in the House of Commons.

In 1945, General LaFlèche became first Canadian Ambassador to Greece, a post which he held until 1949 when he was appointed High Commissioner for Canada in Australia. He relinquished this assignment in 1951. General LaFlèche is married and has five children.
