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The Department of External Affairs today announced the posting of Mr. George S. Patterson as Consul General in Boston, succeeding Mr. James A. Strong, who has returned to Ottawa for duty in the Department.

Mr. Patterson was born in Moncton, N.B., on August 22, 1887. He studied at Mount Allison University, the Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University, 1926-28, receiving the degrees of Bachelor of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy. From 1936 to 1943 he was General Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in Toronto.

Mr. Patterson joined the Department of External Affairs as Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Chungking, in February 1943, and was Chargé d'Affaires, 1944-45. He then served in Ottawa, 1945-47, and in Nanking, 1947-48. He served as Acting Head of Mission in Tokyo from August to November, 1947. After a short term of duty in Ottawa, he was appointed Consul General in Shanghai, and served in that capacity from 1949 until the beginning of 1952.

Mr. Patterson has attended several international conferences, including the Far Eastern Commission, Washington, 1946; the United Nations Temporary Commission on Korea, Seoul and New York, 1948; the General Assembly of the United Nations, Paris, 1948.
