

attended the Parliamentary Session at Cape Town, where the war legislation introduced by the Union Government was closely followed. At the same time, the High Commissioner has worked in cooperation with the Public Information authorities at Ottawa and at Pretoria to maintain a full exchange of information concerning the Canadian and South African war efforts. Throughout the period, the Office was in close touch with the Canadian Trade Commissioners' Offices in Johannesburg and Cape Town.

Office of the High Commissioner for Canada, Ireland

The first High Commissioner for Canada in Dublin, Mr. John Hall Kelly, who arrived in Dublin on March 8, 1940, passed away on March 9, 1941, following an operation. Mr. E. J. Garland carried on the work of the Office as Acting High Commissioner, until the appointment of Mr. John Kearney, which was announced by the Prime Minister on July 31, 1941. The new High Commissioner arrived in Dublin on August 26, when he was received by the Prime Minister, Mr. de Valera, and the President, Mr. Douglas Hyde.

Throughout the period, the Office was in close touch with the various Departments of Government, and full reports were forwarded dealing with the various defence measures, labour problems and legislation, trade and financial measures that came before the Irish authorities, as well as with the movements of public opinion following the war developments of the year under review.

Office of the High Commissioner for Canada, Newfoundland

In July, 1941, the Government decided, in view of the war conditions and the share which Canada had assumed in the defence of Newfoundland, upon the advisability of appointing a High Commissioner for Canada to Newfoundland.

Mr. C. J. Burchell, K.C., who had been appointed as the first High Commissioner for Canada to Australia on November 1, 1939, was designated as High Commissioner in Newfoundland on July 31, 1941.

Mr. Burchell arrived in St. John's on September 11, 1941. He was accompanied by Mr. H. A. Dyde, Secretary of The Defence Council of Canada, and by Mr. A. J. Pick, Third Secretary.

The Office has become the channel of communication between the Newfoundland and Canadian Governments on matters relating to the prosecution of the war and on other questions of mutual interest. Close cooperation has been established with the Canadian Naval, Army and Air Force headquarters in Newfoundland and problems relating to each of these Services in Newfoundland and Labrador have been taken up with various Departments of the Newfoundland Government.

Canadian Consulate, Greenland

Friendly relations have been maintained between the Consulate in Greenland, which was established in June, 1940, and the Greenland Administration. Canadian purchases of cryolite continue to increase and during the year Greenland obtained a considerable part of its imports from Canada.

A building for the Canadian Consulate was erected during the year and the Consulate moved into the new building in September.

On July 4, Mr. K. P. Kirkwood, the Consul, left Greenland for Canada. Mr. A. E. Porsild, who had arrived in Greenland on June 23, became Acting Consul. Mr. M. J. Dunbar, who had been appointed Vice-Consul, arrived in Greenland on October 22. When Mr. Porsild sailed on December 8 for Canada, Mr. Dunbar became Acting Consul.