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## NEW MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Prime Minister Diefenbaker announced in the House of Commons on June 4 that Mr. Howard Green had been sworn in that day as Secretary of State for External Affairs, succeeding the late Mr. Sidney E. Smith. Mr. Green will continue as Minister of Public Works for the present.

Of United Empire Loyalist descent, Mr. Green was born in Kalso, British Columbia in November 1895. He graduated from the University of Toronto with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915.

Mr. Green served overseas with the Canadian Army in the First World War, was mentioned in despatches and returned to Canada with the rank of Captain. He resumed his studies and graduated in law from Osgoode Hall, Toronto. In 1922 he was called to the Bar of British

Columbia, and has practised law in Vancouver, B.C., ever since.

Mr. Green has been a Member of Parliament continuously for the past twenty-four years. He was first elected to represent Vancouver South in 1935 and he was re-elected in 1940 and 1945. Between the federal elections of 1945 and 1949, a redistribution of electoral districts resulted in an increase in the number of Vancouver seats. The bulk of the Vancouver South constituency became Vancouver Quadra, where Mr. Green was the successful candidate in 1949 and in each subsequent election.

Mr. Green was sworn into the Privy Council and appointed Minister of Public Works on June 22, 1957.

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## GIFT TO NATO

Prime Minister Diefenbaker announced on June 1 in the House of Commons that Canada would give \$10 million worth of flour as a contribution to NATO food stockpiles in Europe. This will be provided for by an item in the supplementary estimates and is subject to parliamentary approval.

Mr. Diefenbaker recalled that at the meeting of heads of government of NATO countries in December 1957 in Paris, he had proposed the establishment of a food bank among the NATO countries, for use particularly in the event

of any outbreak of hostilities. He said that since then discussions had been going on in NATO, and directly with interested countries, to determine under what conditions a Canadian contribution might be made.

## GIFT OF DRIED SKIM MILK

The Prime Minister also said that the Government had decided to make available free of charge an additional 20 million pounds of dried skim milk to relief agencies, both national and international, for distribution to needy people in other parts of the world, the bulk of which will be used to provide

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