

The Department of External Affairs announces the appointment of Dr. Arthur Blanchette as Head of the Department's Historical Division, in succession to Mr. A.A. Day who retired from the Public Service recently. Previously he was Head of the Division dealing with relations among French-speaking states. At various times since entering the Foreign Service in 1947, he has taught at the University of Ottawa in the field of modern history and political science. He is at present a Visiting Professor in the University's Institute for International Cooperation.

ARTHUR BLANCHETTE

Mr. Blanchette was born in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1921 and attended the University of Ottawa (M.A., 1943, Ph.D., 1945). He served in the Wartime Information Board (later the Canadian Information Service) before joining the Department of External Affairs in 1947. He has served since then in Mexico City, Cairo, Pretoria, and Lisbon, in addition to being Acting Canadian Commissioner with the International Supervisory Commission in Cambodia. He was also Chargé d'affaires in Athens during 1966 and 1967.

At various times since 1942 he has lectured at the University of Ottawa in the field of modern history and political science. At present he holds the rank of Visiting Professor in the University's Institute for International Cooperation, where he has been lecturing since his return from Greece in 1967. He is married to the former Marcelle Montreuil of Ottawa and they have two children.