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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, today announced the appointment of Mr. H. F. Feaver as Canadian Ambassador to Switzerland. He succeeds the late Mr. Edmond Turcotte, who died in Berne last November.

Mr. Feaver was born at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, on June 18, 1907, and was educated at King's College, Dalhousie University, and the Harvard Law School. He joined the Department of External Affairs in 1930 and has served in Washington, Tokyo, London, and The Hague. He has also attended sessions of the United Nations General Assembly. He was Canadian Minister to Denmark from 1954 until 1956 and Canadian Ambassador there from 1956 until his return, in August 1958, to Ottawa where he has since been the Department's Chief of Protocol.

During the Second World War, he was Head of the Department's Prisoner of War Section, in which capacity he was in close touch with representatives of the Government of Switzerland as protecting power for Canadian interests in Germany and German interests in Canada. He also had close relations with the International Committee of the Red Cross whose headquarters are in Geneva. He has visited Switzerland on many occasions and has always maintained an interest in Swiss Affairs.

On the occasion of the Queen's Visit to Canada in 1959 he was Deputy Commissioner of the Royal Tour.

Mr. Feaver is married and has four children.