## DEATH OF MR. PHILIPPE ROY

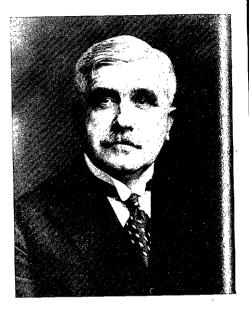
The Prime Minister issued on December 10 the following statement on being informed of the death of the Honourable Philippe Roy:

My colleagues and I have learned with the deepest regret of the death of Mr. Roy, and we extend to his widow and to the other members of his family our sincere sympathy.

Mr. Roy had a long and distinguished career in the service of Canada, both at home and abroad. He was a member of the Senate of Canada until 1911 and represented Canada in Paris for twenty-seven years, first as Commissioner General and later as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary. As a mark of the esteem in which he was held in France, he was named an Honorary Citizen of Paris.

Mr. Roy also represented Canada on numerous occasions at the meetings of the Assembly and of the Council of the League of Nations.

In recognition of Mr. Roy's distinguised service, he was appointed in 1926 to the King's Privy Council for Canada.



Mr. Philippe Roy

## APPOINTMENTS OF MR. W. F. A. TURGEON AND MR. S. D. PIERCE

The Office of the Prime Minister made public on December 29, the text of an Order in Council appointing a Royal Commission on Transportation. The Chairman of the Commission is Mr. W. F. A. Turgeon, Canadian High Commissioner to Ireland. Mr. Turgeon remains as High Commissioner but is recalled to Ottawa for temporary duty as Chairman of the Commission.

The Office of the Prime Minister also announced on December 29, that Mr. S. D. Pierce, Canadian Ambassador to Mexico, had been transferred from the Department of External Affairs, and appointed Associate Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce as and from February 1, 1949.

The Department of Trade and Commerce is charged with the responsibility for procurement for the armed forces, which necessarily involves close relations with Canadian industry and with the procurement agencies of the United States Government. Mr. Pierce will be concerned, primarily, with the activities of the Department in this field.