as Minister and Ambassador Brazil/and Italy as Ambassador.

The first to join the Department under the new system examination/was E. D'Arcy McGreer, on August 22, 1927, as Second Secretary. He was later posted to the Canadian Advisory Office in Geneva, under Dr. W.A. Riddell, in August, 1928, and to Paris in October, 1929. McGreer had studied at McGill University, and after military service in the First War, had studied at Edinburgh University in Economics and Literature, and again at McGill, where he took his B.A. and M.A. in 1923, and took a diploma on a Province of Quebec Scholarship at the Institut des Hautes Etudes Internationales, University of Paris, in 1925, and at the Academy of International Law at The Hague in 1926. He had been an Assistant High School Master in Montreal (1926-27) before joining the Department.

J. Scott Macdonald, who had been in the Department of National Revenue, 1914-26, and the Department of Trade and Commerce (Tariff Section), 1926-28, joined the Department of External Affairs on January 16, 1928, as Third Secretary; and on August 1st, 1929, he was promoted to Second Secretary. He had taken a B.A. at Queen's University in 1923, followed by a B. Com. in 1927. His special knowledge of tariff and related economic aspects of external business resulted in his specializing in this field of the Department, and he became chief of the Economic Division set up in 1946.

In the (second) 1928 departmental examination, out of some sixty candidates, three successful ones received immediate appointments.