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The Department of External Affairs announced to-day that Mr. George Bernard Summers will be posted in March to the Canadian Legation in Prague as *Chargé d'Affaires* a.i. to succeed Mr. J. M. Teakles who will be returning to Canada for duty in the Department.

Mr. Summers was born in St. Johns, Newfoundland, and he practiced law there for five years until his appointment in 1934 as Assistant Secretary for Justice, Department of Justice, Newfoundland. He was created Q.C. in 1940 and held the position of Deputy Chief Censor for Newfoundland between 1939 and 1944. He joined the Newfoundland Regiment as Captain in 1944 and held various staff appointments overseas during and after the Second World War. Upon his discharge from the Army with the rank of Colonel in 1946, Mr. Summers was appointed Legal Adviser in the Control Commission for Germany. He held this post until he joined the Department of External Affairs in September, 1950.

Mr. Summers is married and has two children.

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