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The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today the appointment of Mr. Ray Lawson, OBE, former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, as Canadian Consul-General in New York. Mr. Lawson will replace Mr. K.A. Greene, OBE, who will be retiring early in the new year.

Mr. Lawson was born in 1886 at London, Ontario, where he received his education. He became prominent in Canadian business circles as President of Lawson and Jones, Limited of London, Ontario, and of Lawson Litho and Folding Box Co., Limited of Montreal. In addition, Mr. Lawson has been serving on the Board of Directors of a number of Canadian industrial and financial firms.

He was appointed Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Ontario in December, 1946 and in this capacity he received the then Princess Elizabeth and Duke of Edinburgh on behalf of the Province of Ontario during their tour of Canada last year. In 1943, Mr. Lawson was awarded the Order of the British Empire. He holds an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the University of Western Ontario.

Mr. Lawson is married to the former Helen Newton of Sarnia, Ontario and has five children.
