

APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

NEW APPOINTMENTS :

Frederick Martyn Meech has been appointed as an Administrative Officer in the Consular Division. Mr. Meech was born at Windsor, Ontario, in 1915. He received his education in Windsor schools, and was graduated from the University of Western Ontario with a B.A. degree in 1937. In 1938 Mr. Meech joined the staff of the British Consulate in Detroit where he served as Vice Consul until early in 1942. From 1942 until 1944 he served in the British Naval Control Service in various ports in Texas, New Orleans, and Norfolk, Virginia. During this time he also did considerable liaison work with the Royal Navy. Mr. Meech saw service in the Mediterranean theatre and in the United Kingdom. Shortly after being repatriated to Canada in 1946, Mr. Meech was appointed Assistant Trade Officer at the British Consulate General in Chicago. He served in this capacity until he joined the Department of External Affairs.

TRANSFERS:

James Scott Macdonald, one of the most senior Canadian career Foreign Service Officers, has been appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Canada in Brazil. Mr. Macdonald was born in 1896 in Goldenville, Nova Scotia. He attended public and high school in Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia, and served in France and Belgium in the First World War 1916-18. Following demobilization he entered Queen's University and graduated with degrees in Arts and Commerce. Mr. Macdonald entered the Department of External Affairs in 1928 and has served in Paris, Geneva and Washington. He acted as secretary of the Canadian Delegation at the Imperial Economic Conference of 1932, and has given special attention to trade and general economic questions. In May 1944, he was appointed Canadian High Commissioner in Newfoundland, being the first career officer to be chosen as head of a Canadian mission. He left to take up his new duties in Rio de Janeiro on May 22nd.

Paul A. Bridle, Foreign Service Officer, has been transferred from the Commonwealth Division to St. John's, Newfoundland, where he will be Acting High Commissioner. Born in Toronto in 1914, Mr. Bridle was educated at Parkdale Collegiate and at the University of Toronto, from which he graduated in 1937. Before joining the Department, Mr. Bridle was a reporter with The Toronto Daily Star in 1937 and schoolmaster at Upper Canada College, Toronto, from 1937 to 1940. From 1938 to 1939 he was an exchange master at Bedford School, England. During the war, Mr. Bridle served with the R.C.N.V.R.

B.G. Sivertz, Foreign Service Officer, has been sent to San Francisco to make preliminary arrangements for the opening of the Canadian Consulate General in July.

Alfred J. Pick, Foreign Service Officer, has been transferred from the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada in New Delhi to the Commonwealth Division. Born in Montreal in 1915, Mr. Pick was educated at McGill University, from which he graduated with a scholarship which enabled him to study in Paris from 1936 to 1937. He later obtained his M.A. in Political Science from McGill. In 1940 he received