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ROWLAND, GOURLUCK GET EXECUTIVE POSTS

Two senior appointments to the premier's office were established Tuesday by order-in-council.

The two are:

- . Douglas Charles Rowland, 29, as special assistant and associate secretary of the executive council.
- . Russ Gourluck, 27, as executive assistant -- a position he will hold during the initial period of the new government and forthcoming legislative session before returning this fall to a vice-principalship at Garden City Collegiate.

Doug Rowland, who has an extensive background in political science, was educated in Regina and East Kildonan, graduating from the University of Manitoba (St. John's College) with a B.A. in 1961 and an M.A. in 1961, specializing in political science and international relations. He presently is working on his Ph.D. from McGill, having completed his residency there and now is working on this thesis on Canadian Government and International Relations.

While at St. John's, he was president of the college's student's union, member of the Dingwall champion debating team and winner of the James Frost Cross Memorial Trophy as the outstanding graduate of the college. He was a graduate assistant in political science and international relations and senior reader in history and political science.

He was a representative on the University of Manitoba Students' Union and NDP leader in the U of M mock parliament.

At McGill, he was a McGill research fellow, and awarded a Canada Council grant to complete his studies. He returned this grant in April, 1968, on joining national NDP leader T.C. Douglas as his executive assistant, a post he held until his present appointment.

In a parallel naval career, Mr. Rowland was appointed an officer cadet in 1958, twice winning the outstanding naval officer cadet trophy, and chief cadet captain at HMCS Chippawa. He was appointed sub-lieutenant in 1961, lieutenant in 1963, and for 14 months (1963-64) served full time as communications officer on a frigate with the Atlantic fleet.

In 1964-66, Mr. Rowland was director of research and urban organization for the Manitoba NDP, and executive assistant to the then leader, A.R. (Russ) Paulley. During these years, he also lectured in political science at St. John's. He directed the 1965 federal election campaign for the NDP in Manitoba and the 1966 Manitoba provincial campaign. He was seconded from Mr. Douglas' office to serve as provincial campaign director in the recent provincial election.

Mr. Rowland is married to Hope, daughter of Canon and Mrs. L.F. Wilmot, formerly of Winnipeg. They have a five-year-old son, Paul.

Winnipeg-born Russ Gourluck was educated at Gordon Bell and United College, winning his B.A. with English and philosophy majors in 1965, during his teaching years. He is presently completing work for his B.Ed.

Mr. Gourluck began teaching at Riverton (1962-64), followed by a year at Jefferson High School in Seven Oaks division and the past four years at Garden City Collegiate, where he is second vice-principal.

Since 1967 he has been on the provincial executive of the Manitoba Teachers' Society, and has held the chairmanship of the leadership and public relations committees. He is immediate past-president of the Seven Oaks Teachers' Association.

In 1965 the federal health department assigned Mr. Gourluck the task of researching and producing a source guide on smoking education. The resulting publication from his part-time effort, "Smoking and Health", has been accepted by all provinces as the official guide for teachers in smoking education.

Mr. Gourluck has written commentaries for the TV series "View From Here", principally in educational matters. In 1966-68 he served on the executive of the Manitoba NDP.