

George Drew Challenges Prime Minister On Retention of Farm Price Supports

By The Canadian Press

Prime Minister St. Laurent and Hon. George Drew, Progressive Conservative leader, trade territories this week. Mr. St. Laurent heads west from Ottawa while Mr. Drew returns from the west to stump Northern Ontario, parts of Quebec and the Maritimes.

Winding up his western tour at Saskatoon during the week-end, Mr. Drew challenged Mr. St. Laurent to say whether the Liberal government, if re-elected Aug. 10, will repeal farm price support legislation.

He said at a press conference that Mr. St. Laurent described price support as "socialism" in an Ontario campaign speech. A Progressive Conservative government would establish a producer-represented agricultural board to determine fair farm prices on the basis of a "scientific day-to-day analysis."

Referring to trade, Mr. Drew said the dollar-sterling problem is an artificial barrier which could be broken by "making money the servant of trade, not the master." A PC government would make a concerted effort

to improve trade with Commonwealth countries which were the "obvious outlets" of Canadian farm produce.

In Ottawa, Mr. St. Laurent will meet with his cabinet, probably to set an initial price for wheat for the new crop year opening Aug. 1. Agricultural Minister Gardiner also is expected to bring up Liberal policy on the South Saskatchewan dam project, on which the Liberals have not made a firm commitment and which Mr. Drew said Saturday a Progressive Conservative government will build.

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Buffalo Hit By Bus Strike

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)—This industrial area of 1,000,000 population felt the full impact of a transit strike in the morning rush hour today as bus drivers prepared to vote on a new company offer.

The 1,800 drivers, mechanics and clerical workers were called to a morning union meeting to consider an offer by the Niagara Frontier Transit Corp. to end the four-day strike.

The drivers' old pay scale was \$73.74 for a 44-hour week. Other scales varied.

More Than 100 Engineers, Men Make Preliminary Survey of Seaway Project

TORONTO (CP)—Experts babbled in astronomical figures in estimating the power potential of the St. Lawrence seaway project.

Robert Saunders, chairman of the Ontario Hydro Commission, says the increased power capacity to Canada from the seaway would be equal to 28,000,000 men working eight hours a day for 300 days a year. Technically speaking, Canadians would have an additional 6,300,000,000 kilowatt hours at a cost of nearly \$19,000,000 each year. The United States would receive the same.

Two large dams across the international portion of the river will produce this tremendous amount of electricity. One will incorporate a powerhouse 3,500 feet long, containing 36 generating units. The units would produce 2,200,000 horsepower.

The dams would raise the level of water 80 feet. The project calls for the moving of at least eight Ontario communities to higher ground. In addition some 30 miles of railway would be relocated and 45 miles of highway rebuilt.

Already about 120 engineers and men are on the banks of the historic river engaged in preliminary planning.

More than 70,000 tons of reinforcing steel will be needed as well as some 108,000 tons of structural steel, 4,400 tons of copper, more than 7,630,000 barrels of cement and 118,000 board feet of lumber. This is exclusive of requirements for machinery and equipment in the powerhouses.

Ammunition Dump Hit By Lightning

CHICAGO (AP)—Lightning set off a fire in an ammunition dump on the northwest side Sunday morning, rocking a half-mile-square with a tremendous display.

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