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- No. 55/22—*Tenth Anniversary Meeting of the United Nations*, statements made by the Secretary of State for External Affairs, and President of the seventh session, Mr. L. B. Pearson, at the Tenth Anniversary meeting of the United Nations, San Francisco, June 24 and 26, 1955.

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- No. 55/20—*Employment and Unemployment in the Canadian Economy*, an address by Minister of Labour, Mr. Milton F. Gregg, to the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, at Montreal, May 25, 1955.

ENGINEERING AGREEMENT SIGNED

The Department of External Affairs announced on July 6 that a detailed engineering agreement was signed recently, on behalf of the Canadian and Pakistan Governments, for the provision under the Colombo Plan of a steam power plant, boilers and generators at Hardinge Bridge, East Pakistan. The Canadian Government is also providing certain building materials, including structural steel, for the construction of the power house in his Ganges-Kobadak project. The total external cost is estimated at \$1,800,000. All local costs and labour will be financed by Pakistan. An agreement in principle was signed on March 10, 1955, and during the short time that has elapsed since then, all the machinery for the plant has already arrived from Canada and is being transported to the site ready for erection after the monsoon season.

The steam power plant will provide 10,000 k.w. of energy for use in pumping water from the Ganges River into canals and channels for the irrigation of a large area in the districts of Kushtia, Khulna and Jessore.

The steam power plant forms part of a large irrigation scheme which is an outstanding example of international co-operation. The general plan of the irrigation scheme was worked out by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations under the direction of Mr. Van Blommenstein. Pumping equipment is being provided by the Foreign Operations Administration of the United States. The Chief Engineer, Irrigation, of East Pakistan is in charge of construction of the extensive civil works. The Canadian Government is providing the steam power plant, design drawings and specifications, and building materials not available locally, as well as the technical personnel required for supervising the erection of the power house steam plant, and generators.

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