

I would like to dwell on another important project of the Government. The review of the Canadian Constitution.

The report contained in the Speech from the Throne points out the progress made at the conference on the Constitution. The last meeting has already given rise to fruitful exchanges. So much the better for Canada. It is to be hoped that the overlapping of jurisdictions between the federal and provincial governments will disappear as much as possible. That is where most of the difficulties crop up, but the task of establishing a new allocation of jurisdictions is still the one which will require the utmost diplomatic skill.

We were glad to have it confirmed that no effort would be spared to ensure the success of the Constitutional Conference.

With respect to labour-management relationships, satisfactory relations between labour and management are of critical importance to our social and economic progress. It is a good thing that government will take a growing interest in the intricate problems of today.

It has become quite urgent to tackle the matter of the disputes that increase by leaps and bounds between labour and management.

Realizing that nowhere in the world is there a magic formula and although it cannot on its own push through broad legislations applying to the whole of Canada the Government will study the report from the task force on labour relations which will be used if necessary as a base to the bill to be tabled next session.

The problem of liquidating Canada's surplus of wheat will receive special consideration. More aggressiveness will be shown in finding out new openings. The Canada Grain Act will be amended and extended so that we may have access to a greater number of markets and that our products may be more competitive in world markets.

During the new session we will be asked to amend the Criminal Code again. This session Criminal Code amendments will be submitted to you that would regulate wire-tapping and other invasions of the individual's privacy, and reform the present law governing detention before trial.

Those amendments will help ensure the respect of individual freedom.

Other remarks might be made concerning those proposed amendments on other occasions.

Honourable Senator Argue has informed the Senate of his intention to advocate the

granting of franchise to those of 18 years of age. This is one of the important matters to be found in the Speech from the Throne.

Senator Argue will want no doubt to bring up this matter again. I shall therefore refrain from making any comments for the time being.

Other bills will be introduced, such as an act to establish a corporation for the marketing of freshwater fish, in order to assist the western fishing industry, measures to further help the fishing industry on the Atlantic coast, to create a new department of communications with a view to consolidating the responsibility of the Government of Canada in this field, and several others that I might add.
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It will be an eventful session, and it may be said with certainty that Parliament, and in particular the Senate, will accomplish much for the good and the advancement of the Canadian people during the second session.

I am grateful for the courtesy of all senators for bearing with me during this lengthy address in French.

Hon. Douglas D. Everett: Honourable senators, in rising to second the motion for an Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, I should like to refer briefly to a speech that I made in a similar debate in the last session. I said at that time that the Government had laid the legislative groundwork for the just society. I think the evidence of the last session is that that groundwork was well laid, and that this Speech from the Throne announces a legislative program that will bring about the just society for which this Government received a mandate. Not only has the Government laid before Parliament and the people its legislative program, it has disclosed or proposes to disclose its thinking and future plans in many aspects of the public undertaking. In a form of participatory democracy it proposes to produce for parliamentary and public consideration white papers on external affairs, defence, tax reform, citizenship, social security, information, and postal service.

Honourable senators, I congratulate the mover of the motion, Senator Desruisseaux, who whenever he speaks demonstrates the brilliance that he brings to the Parliament of Canada, and especially to this chamber, on the fullness of his coverage.

Honourable senators, in an effort to avoid redundancy, I propose to deal with only one aspect of the Speech from the Throne, but one that I think will demonstrate the fact that