

F.W. Gray of Victoria, B.C., formerly of the Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation, will represent employers, while Freeman Jenkins of Glace Bay, N.S., President of District 26 of the United Mine Workers of America, will be the workers' representative.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss and adopt a draft model code of safety regulations for underground work in coal mines.

Studying Cortisone: The Department of National Health and Welfare is maintaining close contact with the latest developments in the manufacture and use of the new compound, cortisone, now being used experimentally in the United States in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, the Minister of National Health and Welfare, Mr. Martin, stated on September 2.

Unveil Tablet To Pioneer Jurist: A bronze tablet in honour of Sir William Buell Richards, K.B., first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, was unveiled on September 3 at his birthplace, Brockville, Ontario.

A noted jurist and legislator, Sir William, who was born in 1815, was Attorney-General for Canada West from 1851 to 1853. In 1875, eight years after Confederation, he was named to head the Supreme Court. He retired from the Bench in 1879.

The tablet was erected on the outer wall of the Court House Building in Brockville.

Crude Petroleum: Reversing the upward movement shown since the beginning of this year, Canadian production of crude petroleum and natural gasoline in May decreased seven per cent from the all-time monthly high reached in April, but showed a sharp advance of 87 per cent as compared with May last year. The decline in the month was principally due to reduced output from the Turner Valley field and in the North-west Territories. Production from the Leduc and Redwater fields of Alberta rose sharply.

Across Canada: Hubert Guerin, former French Ambassador to Brazil, was reported to be appointed French Ambassador to Canada....Canada's death toll from the Labour Day week-end was reported to be 38.... The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Pearson, announced today in Ottawa that Canada will extend most-favoured-nation tariff treatment to Austria with effect from September 7, 1949.