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Across Canada: In the general election campaign, the Prime Minister, Mr. St. Laurent, spoke yesterday at Noranda, Que.; the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, Mr. Drew, spoke at Biggar, Sask.; and the Leader of the C.C.F. Party, Mr. Coldwell, spoke at Brantford, Ont....Scots from across Canada are preparing to answer the call of the Overseas Scots' Reunion Club for the first organized return to the old country since 1938, the Canadian Press reports from Winnipeg. More than 100 from Canada alone, it was stated, will make the journey, the Scots from Canada making the trip this week-end, in three chartered aircraft....After visiting agricultural areas in the Maritimes and Quebec, 65 members of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers left Montreal last night for Ottawa, preliminary to attendance at the International Federation's Conference at Guelph on May 31, The Montreal Gazette reported.

Industrial Disputes: Time loss due to work stoppages arising out of industrial disputes during April was little changed from the previous month, according to the monthly summary of strikes and lockouts issued by the Minister of Labour, Mr. Mitchell.

Three strikes accounted for more than 93 per cent of the total time loss-asbestos miners and millworkers at various centres in Quebec, bakery workers in Winnipeg and Selkirk, Manitoba, and seamen in Canadian and foreign ports.

Preliminary figures for April, 1949, showed 18 strikes and lockouts in existence, involving 7,877 workers, with a time loss of 139,500 man-working days, as compared with 10 in March, 1949, with 5,978 workers involved and a time loss of 135,725 days. In April, 1948, there were 18 strikes involving 4,678 workers with a time loss of 51,269 days.

International Trade Fair: Imagine a department store selling everything from costume jewellery and pocket combs to diesel engines and dockside cranes, gathered from 35 different countries throughout the world and spread out on counters and in display groups along a distance of four miles! That in effect is what the Canadian International Trade Fair will resemble most on opening day, May 30, the Trade Fair authorities report. The goods are grouped into 21 trade classifications so that they may be compared and inspected without the potential customers performing a marathon tour.

A delegation of Shanghai merchants has arrived in Toronto to display their products at the Trade Fair. Despite the Civil War raging in China they have advised that they were able to get 36 cases of their wares shipped and arrange their visas and passages.

Cabbage Imports: Effective May 26 and until further notice, cabbage may not be imported under open general permit into the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, the Emergency Import Control Division of the Department of Finance announced on May 25.

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