

Both massive U. S. Seaway locks are nearing completion. They are 860 feet long, gate hinge to gate hinge, 80 feet wide and 30 feet deep over the sills. A million cubic yards of concrete went into the locks. Perini Corporation of Framingham, Mass., headed a combine of construction firms which built the Snell Lock, whose total cost is \$30.6 million. Another Perini accomplishment in 1957 was bringing the World Baseball Championship to Milwaukee.

Other firms in the joint venture were Walsh Construction Co., New York, N. Y.; Morrison-Knudsen Co., Boise, Idaho; Utah Construction Co. of San Francisco, Cal.; and Peter Kiewit and Sons' Co., Omaha, Nebr.

One-half million cubic yards of concrete went into the walls of Snell Lock, which will raise and lower ships 45 feet in their transit of the lower Wiley-Dondro Canal, bypassing the power structures. Eisenhower Lock has a similar lift capacity, and is unique in the United States in that it is provided with a tunnel under the upper gate to accommodate uninterrupted vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

Four months hence, in early July, Wiley-Dondro Canal with its Eisenhower and Snell Locks will be opened on a toll-free basis for the remainder of the 1958 navigation season to serve 14-foot draft shipping due to the raising of the power pool and resultant flooding of the existing Canadian 14-foot canals at and above Cornwall, Ontario.

Opening date for the completed 27-foot draft international Seaway, Montreal to Lake Erie, will be in the Spring of 1959.

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Following is the language of Mr. Snell's 1917 bill "authorizing a preliminary examination of the Saint Lawrence River."

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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MR. SNELL introduced the following bill: which was referred to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A BILL
Authorizing a preliminary examination of the Saint Lawrence River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to make such preliminary examinations as can be made from available data, without making field surveys, touching the creation of conditions