Weekly News Letter.

Prices Coming Down

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Thursday.

His advent was immediately followed by a slump in provisions and grain, as well as cattle and shieps. Meat products on the board of trade increased sharply in price, but the declines were not evident in the retailmarket!

In His Labor Dan Address Con-Evolution.

A distinct warning to the workers of Canada that reforms cannot be brought about by violence, and that the only way in which anything can Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Frades and Labor Congress of Canda, in the course of an address be es of various labor organizations methods of progress, Mr. made it quite plain that the



ple would lead us to believe, for, in his opinion, the crisis has passed. No one is going back to the conditions of 1914, and what both workers and employers must realize, and what the Government already appreciates, is that the struggle "is not for material gain, but is a spiritual objective alming for higher civilization. It is on the same principle as the demands of the old slaves for freedom. You must remember that though there were some good slave-owners, there were also many bad ones, and the fact that there were some good ones did not save either themselves or the others. It is much the same principle which exists today in the labor world."

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"I believe some of the employers realize the present situation." Mr. Moore continued, "and there are some workers as well who appreciate it. While there may be some workers who are willing to kick over the traces, these are the men who must be made to realize that there can be no progress but the orderly one which is based on evolution. We can spin the wheel of progress, but there is no use spinning it until it files off the axle and destroys everything around it.

As an illustration of the growing importance of labor, the speaker believes that there destroys and the way in which it was francism proton in conservates that there is no use spinning it in the feater recognized at the Feace Conference, and the way in which it was francism proton in conservates showed that the old spirit of class warfare has given way to co-operation. The agitation of labor, he continued, has become more than national. It is international, for he felt it would be quite impossible to attempt to solve any of the troubles in Canada without taking into consideration the conditions in other labor markets the world over. As an example he pointed to the fact that there was a time when Canada exported certain articles to China and Japan, which articles can no longer he exported because of the fact that there countries are now manufacturing the goods themselves. On the whole, Mr. Moore had every confidence that the people can look forward to a prosperous Canada, and he appreciated the great good done by the Exhibition in showing both workers and employers how impossible it is for either to get very far without co-operation.

Labor Biarter

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Samuel G. S. president of Labor, in a ment to the League to Enforce Peace, criticizes opponents of the Laber articles of the Peace Treaty. He says of the Labor charter:

This first international charter for the rights of Labor should be adopted without delay. It begins among the nations the great and subling tissk of raising the level of the conditions of Labor the world over. Every workman in the world, wherever he may be, is put in peril by every workman whose hours are long, whose pay is in-adequate, whose conditions of Labor are dangerous and whose standard of life is low. Every child at work at too early an age makes it more difficult to maintain the age standard for the labor of childhood. This is 14 years in many of our states. It should be 15. Children working at a lower age make it harder to improve and keep the present child standards. So with the women. Every woman toiling 12 to 14 hours a day renders it harder for every woman working eight hours a day—it should be six—to, keep her hours secure.

"The world needs to be made safe for Labor as well as for democracy. The world cannot he safe for Labor as well as for democracy. The world cannot he safe for Labor. The only sure protection for any Labor anywhere is universal justice to all Labor everywhere."

CONCILIATION **BOARD'S AWARD**

Toronto Electrical Workers to Enjoy 8-Hour Day-New Schedule.

Both the Toronto Iron Molders' Union and the Pattern Makers' League, international organizations, who came out on strike with the metal trades on May 1st, are maintaining an effective battle.

Both express greatest confidence of winning out. The iron moiders are greatly encouraged that in St. Catharines, Welland and other places in the province the employers have come to terms and have conceded the 44-hour work week and a minimum wage of 75 cents an hour, and it is now confidently predicted Toronto employers will soon follow suit. As regards the pattern makers, not a single striker has quit, and every man can be placed in union jobs at \$1.25 an hour if they desire of three doilars and a quarter representatives of several loss with a present cost of coal can be considered to the suit. As regards the pattern makers, not a single striker has quit, and every man can be placed in union jobs at \$1.25 an hour if they desire Conciliation appointed by the Minis-ter of Labor to investigate the dis-Denton, and by H. W. Harper, repre

clared that gassy mines were never impected.
Fallure of the Government to properly inspect the Allan shaft mine was perhaps the main cause of the disaster at that mine, according to Delegate Chabaseol. The mining law of this province has been used as a whip on the miners." declared Delegate Rennie. "We have hever got fair treatment from the present Deputy Commissioner Hiram Donkin, but now it is time we changed the tables."

"It's useless to talk to the present commissioner of mines for any improvement in the mining laws of this province," said Sliby Barrett. "He doesn't know a mine from a steel plant and gets all his knowledge from Mr. Donkin."

Mr. Barrett suggested the appointment of an inspector by the U. M. W., this official to be paid out of the funds of the district. He told to the difficulties of the U. M. W. officials in securing fair freatment from the Murray government, despite the fact that the demands were not in the extreme radical. "Today the lives of the miners of Nova Scotla are not being protected." said Mr. Barrett. "The deputy inspectors in Cape Breton south, see the laws broken every morning, but they pass it by, but what is the use of talking to the Government, I would like to talk to them with machine guns."



PRESIDENT CHAS. C. SHAY, of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employes and Motion Picture Machine Opertors, whose organization is earn will be sent for, and next week a strike in New York.

The coal wagon drivers of Hamilton have organized a local union, have organized to the teamsters together, and, after hearing a well-counselled talk, the men each paid one dollar on account of initiation fee. A charter will be sent for, and next week a count of initiation fee. A charter will be sent for, and next week a operation.

LABOR TRUCE FOR SIX MONTHS TO GIVE PRESI-DENT A CHANCE.

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ORGANIZED LABOR AND WAR LOANS.

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in Canada, issued by the Department of Labor, which says:
"The efforts of the Canadian and United States Governments in raising money for the furthering of their war activities have also been supported by the labor organizations operating on the North American continent. From returns received in the department it is learned that the international bodies subscribed \$753,600 to Canadian war leans and \$37,496,388 to United States bonds, a total of \$38,249,988. Two of the purely Canadian labor bodies subscribed for a total of \$14,700 of the Dominion issues.

AND PATTERN MAKERS

STAND FIRM.

NOVA SCOTIA MINERS MAKE SERIOUS CHARGES

VANCOUVER POSTAL WORK-ERS AGAINST O. B. U.

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HAMILTON COAL WAGON DRIVERS FORM UNION.



FROM COAST TO COAST

DENT MOORE.

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men because of their activities
in the unions.
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TORONTO IRON MOULDERS | NOVA SCOTIA MINERS' CON- | KITCHENER HEARS PRESI-

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HAMILTON ENGINEERS AT STEEL PLANT WANT

SARNIA'S LABOR CHOICE.

With the announcement of James Crawford, ex-Mayor of the city S. Crawford, ex-Mayor of the city, and prominent labor man, that he would contest the riding of "West Lambton in the interests of labor, at least a three-cornered fight is assured for that riding. Some time ago ex-Mayor Crawford told a delegation from the Trades and Labor Council that if certain conditions were met he would stand as their candidate, and when the Labor Council at a meeting Priday night unanimously gave Mr. Crawford the choice as nominee his acceptance was practically assured.

INCREASE.

were not evident in the retailmarket.

Corn and oats felt the effect
of hog and provisions decline,
but butter, eggs and poultry in
large or small amounts were unaffected by the stock yards drop.

A continuance of the decline
in live hog prices was looked
for by traders, who pointed out
that 13,000 of the 25,000 animais received at the stock yards
Thursday were unsold. Cattle
of the higher grades were 25
cents less per hundredweight
and sheep and lambs were fully
fifty cents cheaper.

The drop in hog prices was
the greatest since 1907, and
traders who look for still lower
figures pointed out that eastern
storage houses are believed to
be already crowded with meat
products, leaving only a domestic outlet.

ARE DESCRIBED

By Officials of British Co-operative Society-Ontario

A conference which is calculated to have a considerable influence upon the development of the co-operative movement in Canada was held at the Labor Temple, Toronto, on Wednesday. It was convened by the Co-operative Union of Canada, and consisted of the Ontario Co-operative societies at Guelph, Galt, Hamilton, Kingston, Gananoque, Georgetown and Brant Farmers. Brantford, and also from the co-operative committee of the Civil Service Association of Ottawa.

The immediate occasion of the

the immediate occasion of the conference—one of several arranged by the Co-operative Union of Cantada in different parts of the Dominion—was to meet a delegation from the Co-operative Wholesale Science of England, consisting of Messrs. Moorhouse (director), and Gibson (chief of the export department).

present positions a serious deadlock is inevitable.

The convention was attended by
approximately 100 delegates, who
included representatives from all the
Nova Scotia locals and one or two
from the Minto fields in New Brunswick. Conditions at Minto, where
the miners are at odds with the
management, made up one of the
subjects of discussion at the sessions; and the action of the district
executive in demanding a board of
conciliation in order to obtain better
working conditions, and increased
wages for the Minto men was unanimously endorsed.

The convention went on record as
favoring the use of electric lamps
in the pits, though stipulating that
they should not be installed until
the completion of negotiations in
this regard by the locals of the several districts. The safety question
came up also in connection with the
operation of the mine boxes and all
the operators in the district will be
notified that after January first next
the men will not push mine boxes.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA LONG-SHOREMEN'S NEW AGREE-MENT.

critish Columbia, Washington and Oregon ports for the first time in Oregon ports for the first time innorthwest history and granting increases up to 15 cents an hour on
straight time work and 30 cents an
hour on overtime work a new agreement has been signed by representatives of the Northwest Waterfront
Employers' Union and the Pacific
Coast District Council of the International Longshoremen's Association. The agreement is retroactive
to 8 o'clock the morning of August
12. This is the first time a uniform
agreement over has been signed by ers, President Tom Moore, of the Labor Congress of Canada, at a big

an hour overtime.

Lumber handlers under the old scale received 30 cents an hour straight time and \$1.15 an hour overtime. Under the new agreement they get 95 cents an hour straight time and \$1.40 an hour overtime.

This announcement means that for the first time in maritime history union longshoremen of Washington, Oregon and British Columbia are now working under an agreement covering the entire Pacific northwest, and for the same wage scale in all-ports.

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CONGRESS METHOD

President Moore Explains How Delegates to Industrial Conference Were Chosen.

Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Can-ada, in giving his views of the Na-