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Urge Labor Man For Ontario Board

Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress, returned from Toronto. On Tuesday he waited on Premier Drury and asked, among other things, that a labor man be appointed to the vacancy on the Workmen's Compensation Board and also once more requested that a labor man be appointed on the Hydro Commission.

But it was on the matter of un-mployment that Mr. Moore sought impress the Outario premier. He ointed out that the time had gone y for academic discussions and con

come.

"Unemployment is severe," said Mr. Moore. "I told Premier Drury that the time had come for action. One of the most serious aspects of the situation is that thousands of men have been unemployed for a long time and are now passing the period when they normally would be employed.

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'The folly of reducing wages to bring 'prosperity' is also beginning to show. The idea that by reducing wages, and therefore the purchasing power of the workers, you can help industry is fallacious.'

Mr. Moore added that unemployment, by all accounts; would be one of the outstanding topics at the congress which opens in Winnipeg aext Monday week. Resolutions on the subject are coming in and some drastic proposals are expected to be made when the workers' parliament gets going.

Will War Profiteers Escape Loot Taxes?

Washington. — Will the extreme wealthy in this country escape the tax burden so heavily borne by others?

others?
Will the tax now levied on the extreme wealthy be shifted to others?
And will the war profiteers escape with their loot?
A highly organized propaganda to abolish excess profits and reduce the surtax feature of the income tax law has been conducted. The reduction of the surtax—or the cutting down has been conducted. In reduction of the surtax—or the cutting down of the additional income tax on large incomes—will effect but a few thousand people. This group, while small, represents the plutocracy of our ountry.

Organized labor demands that the excess profits and surfaxes be re-

excess profits and surfaxes be retained.

It is stated that administration leaders have agreed to abolish the excess profits tax, dating back to the first of the year. This means a loss of half a billion dollars. Another 99,000,000 will be lost through reducing the surfaxes, and \$50,000,000 will be lost through reducing the surfaxes, and \$50,000,000 will be lost by sepealing the aufisance tax and the tax on haury clothing. To offset this loss it is proposed to increase the income tax on all corporations. It is claimed that large corporations will profit by this plan at the cost of small business. Drastic cuts in expenditures are also proposed.

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Numerous kites are sent up to sound public opinion on additional taxes that are given the soothing term, "tax readjustments." One kite will tell us that all eheeks will be taxed, but this "feeler" brings such a storm of protest that the kite falls to the ground.

The next day another kite is sent up to find out how a tax of \$10 on automobiles will "take." The plan is to assess every auto a like amount, whether it be fliver or touring ear. The roars of protest drives this kite into cold storage. No one seems willing to assume the burden that is intented to be shifted

drives this kite into cold storage. No one seems willing to assume the burden that is intented to be shifted from the backs of the wealthy and war profiteers.

Organized labor is urging Congressman Keller's plan to tax land values on the millions of acres of land held out of use by large comporations and land-owing interests. This plan borders on treason to the patriots who want income tax diluted. They don't want their land holdings taxed no more than their war loot. They don't want their land holdings taxed no more than their war loot.

In addition the railroads want \$500,000,000 that the government owes them while they insist that the millions they owe the government be overlooked for a few years. The rallroads want the government to O. K. bonds for this amount. The shipping board would be thankful for a couple of hundred millions, while other millions are being called for by the army, navy and other defensive processes. About the only thing that seems certain is that the "little fellow" will be lucky if he escapes as he is. The situation is distracting some congressmen, who have in mind next year's elections. They want to favor the proficers and they fear the wrath of the vast majority who demand that the war loot be taxed. The situation may result, in the said wing all applearing in the daily pless:

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Pass Packers' Bill

Washington.—By a vote of 48 to 38 the senate necepted the conference report on the bill to regulate the packing industry. Bills passed by both houses were thrown into conference, where the matter was discussed for over a month by representatives of both branches. The senate receded from its position on practically every point. It was charged in the senate that several provisions in the house bill were written by attorneys for the meat precises. One of the most important of these takes from the federal tradecommission its power of investigation unless ordered by the secretary of agriculture. In this case the packers have won a distinct gain over the commission, whose investigations have opened the people's cyres on methods by the packers. Another senate proposal would establish uniform systems of accounting. This also was defeated.

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