## MAKE LONDON PHONE RATES \$48 AND \$30

Chicago Expert Would Have Toronto Pay Heavily.

INCREASE BEING OPPOSED

Toronto Expert Says Bell Company Should Use Its Depreciation Account.

OTTAWA, Feb. 12.—A proposal by Mr. Hagenah, the Chicago telephone expert, that Toronto should pay approximately one-half of the increased earnings which he proposes that the Bell Telephone Company of Canada should be permitted to earn evoked considerable interest at the resumed telephon inquiry today. This intrest was enhanced perhaps by the circumstance that Mr. Hagenah has been engaged as an expert by the city of Montreal. While he thinks that the Bell Telephone Company should be given an increase in rates sufficient to increase earnings by \$1,000,000 per annum, he maintains that the twenty per cent general advance asked for by the company is too much because it would enhance earnings of the company by over two million dollars per annums.

Mr. Hagenah's reason for suggesting

Mr. Hagenah's reason for suggesting that Toronto should bear \$457,000 of the burden, as compared with \$100,000 by Montreal, \$77,000 by Ottawa, \$27,000 by Hamilton, and \$21,000 by Quebec, is that Montreal, as compared more particularly with Toronto, has been discriminated against in the past.

Six to Two Dollar Jump.

Increases proposed by Mr. Hagenah in business telephone rates run from \$10 in Toronto down to \$2 in smaller cities, and in residential rate from \$6 in Toronto to \$2 in smaller places.

Anther feature of today's inquiry was the presentation of the report of Mr. Prancis B. Daggar, telephone expert for the city of Toronto. Mr. Daggar disagreed with Mr. Hagenah's opinion that the Bell Telephone Company should be given a temporary increase in rates. He maintains that the company could be tided over the difficulties by calling upon its depreciation and assets accounts to the extent of \$1,000,000. He suggests that there should be no temporary increase in rates, but that

stock has taken a decided rise, and spent on the company made by Mr. W. J. Hagenah, the American telephone expert, based upon the company's own figures. In this report Mr. Hagenah made the general recommendation that the company should be granted a temporary increase in rates such as would increase its earnings by one million dollars per annum, and that a further inquiry be held to by one million dollars per annum, the rura nt basis.

Rates Proposed.

The present rates and Mr. Hagenah's proposed rates, in the larger centres

Stratford .

## HEARST FEARS DEFEAT IN TWO BY-ELECTIONS

600. He suggests that there should be no temporary increase in rates, but that the whole question should be approached from the standpoint of permanent rate fixing.

At the previous hearing W. H. Butler, chief solicitor of Moning W. H. Butler, ch

# GERMANY WILL BE MADE

hostilities.

It is pointed out that the enemy countries are preserving war material, permitting them to equip very rapidly an army of at least 3,000,000 men.

The council decided secondly, according to Havas, "to make Germany realize that we are the conquerors and that it is not Rhubarb, per doz... 100 Rhubarb, per doz... 100 Rhubarb, per doz... 100

Ministers Rush to St. Cathar- the Entente's works of peace for the benefit of Germany.

### CLASH OF COUNSEL MOST INTERESTING PART OF HEARING

Legal Representatives Stage Wordy Battle at the Bell Telephone Inquiry.

EXPERT IS EXAMINED

Submitted to Combat Report of Fellow Chicagoan.

In answering the statement that has been made, that he is not a returned soldier, Mr. Longden declared that he is now receiving a pension, showing beyond a doubt that he was rejected as medically unfit. He declared that he had served with five drafts, but was refused for active service each time.

"If the other party is so sure of their candidate's election, why is it necessary for them to bring in cabinet ministers to further his cause??" queried Mr. Longden. "Is not the Hearst Government most anxious to secure this seat?"

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## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

THE LOCAL MARKET

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WOULD PREVENT ALL UNEMPLOYMENT BY DISTRIBUTION OF

> Commission on International Labor Legislation Agrees on Vital Issue.

**GOVERNMENT WORK** 

Chicago Professor's Evidence SWEEPING BRITISH PLANS

Proposals Would Provide For General Improvement of Conditions Among Workers.

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Inter. Paper. 381/2 391/4 385/2 391/6
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LIVE STOCK.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—Few good cattle were offered at the Union stockyards this morning, and trade was slow, with prices steady for good to choice stock, Sheep, lambs and calves were steady and hogs sold 25c higher than yester-layer than yes a yester-laye

The state of the control of the cont East Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 150; steady.
Calves—Receipts, 200; market firm, at East Solution Consols.

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### **COUNTY JUDGES** MAY DECIDE WHO ARE UNDESIRABLE

Government Favors Judicial Inquiry of Enemy Alien Question.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The demand on the Government for speedy on the Government for speedy action with the enemy alien within the Loominion gates are insistent and have not been allayed by the statement of policy recently announced by the acting prime minister, Sir Thomas White. The Hamilton delegation representing the G. W. V. A. and other city organizations which met the Government yesterday is still here, and appears disposed to remain until it receives an answer in the shape of some definite declaration on the part of the definite declaration on the part of the Government.

Meanwhile the Government is close the guestion. It is considering the question. It is believed to be disposed to have matter in the hands of indivi-

matter in the hands of individual citizens' committees, as suggested by Hamilton, but is said to favor a uniform system for the whole Dominion.

A suggestion said to be under serious consideration by the cabinet is that county court judges be empowered to act as tribunals to decide who ed to act as tribulars to decide is undesirable and who is not. city councils in large centres appoint committees to assist appoint committees to assist the tribunals by bringing men beture them, but not by acting as prosecutors in the real sense of the word. In other words, it is said that the Government favors judicial inquiry. In the meantime representations are being made to the overseas authorities to have facilities for deportation expedited.

> NILESTOWN, Feb. 12.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Sutton went to Lucan to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sutton's sister's nusband, who passed away after a pro-Miss L. Hodgins is to take part at

pedited.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR It has been said that there is r

hardly a city, town or village in London, Feb. 13.—The weekly state-country wherein some woman of fellowing about the Bank of England shows the fellowing about the Bank of England shows the shows the not reside who has found health in that good, old-fashioned remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Therefore, if you are suffering from some ailment, and hardly know what to do for it, and have tried other remedies without help, ask your remedies without help, ask your neighbor if she has ever used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound 1,841,000 If she herself has never had the need creased ... 1,341,000
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