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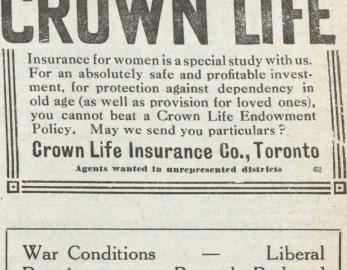
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activities of the International Nickel Corporation and the increased production of the metal to be looked for from the completion of the new British American Nickel Company's plants.

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CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE PROPOSED

The Honorary Advisory Council for Scientific and Industrial Research has recommended that the government should erect a central research institute at an initial cost of \$600,-000. It is intended that this institute should correspond to the Bureau of Standards at Washington, in so far as it makes investigations into subjects which interest the nation at large; and to the Mellon Institute at Pittsburgh, which supplies research facilities for firms or groups of firms who desire to experiment for the purpose of their own particular industry.



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NEW IMMIGRATION SYSTEM IN CANADA

The new system under which Canada is divided into three districts for the purpose of the operations of the Immigrant Department, has just been completed. W. R. Little, of Ottawa, has been appointed commissioner for the eastern division, extending from the Atlantic coast to the Lake of the Woods, Percy Reid, an officer of the Immigration Department, has been sent to Winnipeg to take charge, temporarily, in the district comprising the territory between the Lake of the Woods and the Rocky Mountains. Bruce Walker, who has been commissioner of immigration at Winnipeg for some years, has been placed in control of publicity work for the Immigration Department. In the Pacific coast division, A. L. Joliffe, who has been immigration agent at Vancouver, will be commissioner.

The commissioners will look after admissions and rejections of immigrants on their respective districts and generally supervise the work of the department there, reporting to Ottawa. Hitherto, there has been a commissioner at Winnipeg, but there has been none in Eastern Canada or on the Pacific coast. Certain of the Vancouver officials were under the direction of the Winnipeg commissioner.