

ANOTHER FULL DAY FAILS TO UNRAVEL THE LABOR PROBLEM

Industrial and Agricultural
Men Thinking Hard.

MAY UNFOLD PLAN TODAY

Matters of Transportation,
Financing, Labor Bother
Westerners.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—Representatives of organized labor, now in Ottawa, spent the day in discussion of the labor situation as outlined to them by members of the Government yesterday. The labor men have been put into possession of the facts and invited to make suggestions as to the solution of the problem. It was expected that they would again meet the war cabinet today, but this course was found to be impracticable. In all probability, however, they will meet the war cabinet again tomorrow afternoon, and the situation will then be further discussed. Suggestions for increasing the production of foodstuffs in the Dominion and for obtaining sufficient labor to insure this greater production were offered at this morning's session of the farm labor conference in the Chateau Laurier.

Westerners Have the Floor.
Western representatives had the floor for the greater part of the morning's sitting, and the needs of British Columbia and the prairie provinces were set forth in concise form by the speaker.

ers. The problems connected with the transporting and storing of wheat, and the financing of the western producer of foodstuffs were considered, and the labor situation in British Columbia discussed. T. H. Auld of Saskatchewan suggested, among other things, nationalization of coal mines, packing plants, storage houses and possibly railways. At the conclusion of the morning's sitting a committee consisting of Mr. Auld, convener, and C. F. Bailey, M. T. Carey and Dean Howe was appointed to consider suggestions and report to the conference. The committee spent the afternoon and evening in consultation, and will probably present a report to the full meeting tomorrow.

NOTORIOUS SUBMARINE COMMANDER PRISONER

Von Spiegel Admits He Lied About
Hospital Ships.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Baron von Spiegel and Zu Peckelsheim, commander of German submarine U-202, who wrote the widely circulated narrative of a voyage of that undersea boat, has been a prisoner in England for some time, it became known today. Von Spiegel, who in his book said he himself had seen British hospital ships carrying arms and munitions, admitted to the British authorities that he never had seen anything of the kind.

BOMB IS ADDRESSED TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR

Second Deliberate Attempt To "Get"
W. D. Stephens.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 17.—A bomb addressed to Governor William D. Stephens' mansion at Sacramento, has been intercepted here, it became known today. The package contained several sticks of dynamite. The executive mansion was damaged December 17 last by an explosion of dynamite.

UNIFICATION OF CANADIAN LINES CABINET'S IDEA

Hon. Arthur Meighen Assigned
to Canada's Railway
Problem.

NATIONALIZATION COSTLY

Later Scheme Would Add a
Billion Dollars to the
National Debt.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—A problem pressing for solution at Ottawa is that of the railways. Upon consideration of it, there is engaged at the present time a sub-committee of the cabinet, under the chairmanship of Hon. Dr. Reid. In reality the dominating figure in the committee is Hon. Arthur Meighen, minister of the interior, who is the author and sponsor of practically all railway legislation enacted since 1911. Mr. Meighen has temporarily handed over the administration of his department to Hon. J. A. Calder, and while he is detaching most of his time to consideration of the railway problem. Meanwhile railway magnates are hovering in the offing, striving to ascertain what is in contemplation for their respective systems, and there are pending before the supreme court and the privy council appeals from the west against the recent order of the railway commission increasing freight and passenger rates on all railroads. The hearing before the privy council takes place on January 24, just a week before the new rates are booked to go into force.

Cost of Nationalization.
There is little doubt that the sub-committee of the cabinet is now seeking an alternative solution to the railway difficulty, which will obviate the order of the railway board. There appears to be a fairly strong body of opinion even in the east in favor of nationalization of all three railways, but from present indications any such proposal has little hope of acceptance. It is pointed out that the requirement of the Canadian Pacific alone would add over a billion dollars to the gross debt of the Dominion, which has already reached the somewhat staggering total of \$1,838,000,000.

Further nationalization, it may be said, is not being seriously contemplated by the Government at the present time. It has been suggested that if the Government would relieve the Grand Trunk of the burden of the Grand Trunk Pacific the former road could get

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Men's size, 34, Fine Silk Mixture Combinations; 5 quality; about one dozen garments. A snap\$2.89
50c and 65c Neckwear39c
Special values in better lines.
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Shirts, sale\$1.15

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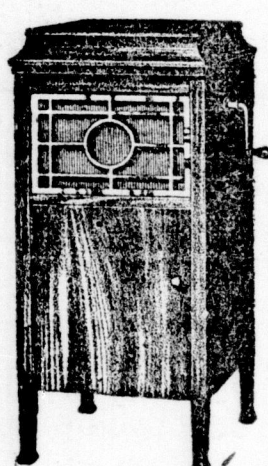
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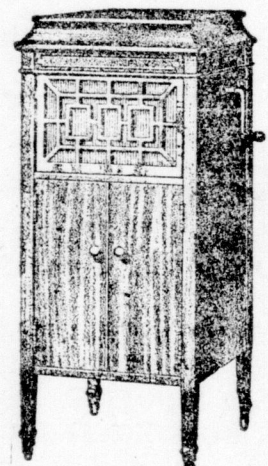
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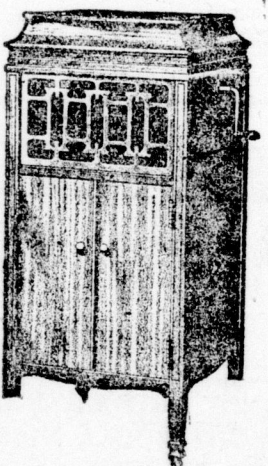
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Poisonous Pollen Sent By Germany To Kill U. S. Crops

Scheme Arranged to Render
California Utterly
Barren.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—Germany's latest attempt to destroy the wheat crop of California and other states has taken the form of shipment to this country of powerful poisonous pollen to be distributed by German agents here in such a manner as to kill the entire output of this state, according to a bulletin issued today by the state council of defence.

The statement read: "This office is in receipt of reliable information from Washington that there has been prepared in Germany for the purpose of shipment to the United States a quantity of pollen to be used by the German Government to destroy the wheat crops of the United States. Two litres have been delivered already and a part of this is believed to have been placed already in the hands of German agents."

"Because of the nature of this information and its reliability all peace officers and all county councils of defence are urged to utilize every agency at their command to prevent the spread of the pollen and to warn the farmers to be on their guard."

FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE OF MANITOBA OPENS

WINNIPEG, Jan. 17.—The third session of the fifteenth legislature in Manitoba was opened this afternoon by Sir James Aikens, lieutenant-governor. The speech from the throne made little reference to coming legislation, and it is thought the session will be a short one. The speech emphasized the need for thrift at home. Bills designed to increase the revenue of the province are the principal ones forecast.

GERMAN PRISONERS FREED; UKRAINIANS NOW REPLACE THEM

Bolshevik Tearing Up Rail-
ways to Capture Ukrainian
Troops Coming North.

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 17.—The local Ukrainian information bureau announced that it is in possession of information showing that the Russian Bolshevik troops are tearing up railroads, destroying stations and undermining bridges in order to capture or disperse Ukrainian troops coming northward.

The bureau says the Bolshevik troops repeatedly have lured Ukrainians into a trap near Minsk, disarmed them, committed various deeds of violence and sent them north as prisoners. The announcement adds that great numbers of German prisoners are returning from Siberia and that the Ukrainians are taking their places.

PAYMASTER'S BODY DISCOVERED HANGING; UNDOUBTEDLY MURDER

THREE RIVERS, Que., Jan. 17.—The corpse of Mr. Robillard, aged 40, paymaster for the construction of the bridge over the Godfroid River between Doucet's Landing and St. Gregoire, was found hanging outside a freight car on the Grand Trunk track at Doucet's Landing. Mr. Robillard had gone to pay the men working on the bridge. It is believed Mr. Robillard was murdered and then hanged.

M. S. A. APPEALS KEEPING DUFF OFF SUPREME COURT

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—It is announced for the information of the bar that, owing to the increasing volume of appeals reaching the office of the central appeal judge, Justice Duff will be unable to take his place as a member of the supreme court of Canada during the February sitting.

TWO ITALIAN STEAMERS TORPEDOED LAST WEEK

ROME, Jan. 17.—An official communication issued today says that shipping losses last week were two steamers of more than 1,500 tons sunk. One steamer and one sailing vessel were unsuccessfully attacked.

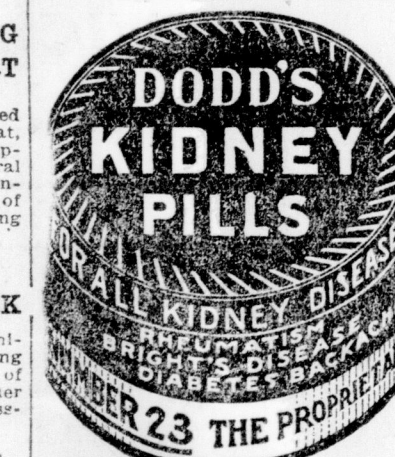
PROMOTION FOR ADVERTISING MANAGER.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Certain-teed Products Corporation, St. Louis, Robert M. Nelson, advertising manager, was elected secretary and treasurer to fill the vacancy created by the election of John C. Collins to the position of vice-president. Mr. Nelson is a graduate of Harvard College, and has been connected with the Certain-teed Company since February, 1914. A dividend of \$1 per share was declared on the first preferred stock, payable January 23, to stockholders of record January 17. All dividends on the first preferred stock are cumulative stock and second preferred 7 per cent cumulative stock have been paid to date, and the sinking fund for the redemption of first preferred has been declared on all outstanding shares. The corporation has just closed a very successful year, and unless coal shortage or transportation troubles arise, the officers are looking forward to 1918 business as another record breaker.

LATE DR. BROWNLEE CAME FROM LUCAN

DETROIT, Jan. 17.—Death claimed Dr. James J. Brownlee, a well-known Detroit physician and a native Canadian, at his home here today after a

short illness. Dr. Brownlee was a son of Mrs. Mary B. Brownlee of Lucan, Ont. Mrs. Brownlee was in London, Ont., at the time of his death. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been completed.



Don't Spoil Your Hair
By Washing It

When you wash your hair, be careful what you use. Don't use prepared shampoos or anything else, that contains too much alkali, for this is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle. The best thing to use is just plain mulled coconut oil, for this is pure and entirely greaseless. It's very cheap, and beats anything else all to pieces. You can get this at any drug store, and a few ounces will last the whole family for months. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in, about a teaspoonful is all that is required. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, cleanses thoroughly, and rinses out easily. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and is soft, fresh-looking, bright, fluffy, wavy and easy to handle. Besides, it loosens and takes out every particle of dust, dirt and dandruff.—Adv.