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WORKERS AND PROHIBITION.

THE Ottawa Citizen has attacked Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, for expressing his views on prohibition at a meeting of the Citizens' Liberty League in the Russell Theatre, Ottawa, on Sunday evening last.

The editorial writer in the Citizen interjects the inference that President Moore was not speaking for the Labor movement. Mr. Moore made it perfectly clear that he was speaking as a private citizen and not as president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

Another red herring is being drawn across the trail by the writer of the Citizen's brain-storm. For such an "advanced thinker," who has written as much on labor matters, he knows more about the "open shop" than appears in his editorial.

NATIONAL AGREEMENTS ON RAILWAYS.

STRENUOUS efforts are being made in the United States by the railway operators to break away from the United States Railway Labor Board.

LABOR LEGISLATION ASSOCIATION.

THE American Association for Labor Legislation are considering holding their next annual convention in Canada.



POLITICS AND PEOPLE THROUGH THE TELESCOPE OF LABOR

J. A. P. Haydon. The International Trade Union Movement was assembled in the House of Commons on Wednesday afternoon by Mr. Ernest Lapointe, Quebec East.

Railway matters were again considered by the House of Commons during the past week. On Monday Hon. A. K. MacLean (Halifax) introduced a resolution to allow a disputation on the question of appointment of a special Parliamentary committee to investigate the affairs of the Canadian National Railways.

All but five states in the Republic to the south now enjoy some measure of Workmen's Compensation. In Canada the Provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia now enjoy Workmen's Compensation laws with state funds.

THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

TWENTY-FIVE years ago, according to the Montreal Gazette, the Government consented to the restriction of hours of labor in Government establishments to eight in a day.

Ottawa.—The Government have practically consented to make the experiment of restricting the hours of labor in Government establishments to eight hours a day.

When the executive of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada waited on a committee of the Canadian Cabinet a few weeks ago, they again requested the Government to carry out this proposal.

Progress of a permanent nature is at all times slow, but Canadian workers had expected that by the entry of Canada into the labor section of the League of Nations that progress would come even more rapidly than heretofore.

point in an endeavor to find a solution of the problem. Hon. T. A. Crerar, the Agrarian leader, also participated in the debate. He supported the amendment of the Liberal leader and offered some constructive suggestions.

WILL LEAGUE MAKE WARS IMPOSSIBLE?

GENERAL SMUTS IS CONFIDENT LEAGUE OF NATIONS WILL DEVELOP AND ATTAIN FUNDAMENTAL IDEALS OF ENDING WARFARE

JOHANNESBURG, Transvaal.—"The League of Nations has not sprung from the thoughts of arbitrary workers or thinkers. It did not stand by itself. It has been born out of the events, great losses and sufferings of the war. It is an idea born out of the hearts of the people," declared General Smuts, in addressing a recent meeting of the League of Nations Union at Johannesburg.

At a certain time of the war, when they were in the trough, said General Smuts, there came in those days among the armies and people one inspiration—"Never again." It was the feeling upheld by the boys at the front. This consciousness, this determination, was one of the deepest inspirations which came out of the League of Nations originated.

It was great ideals that they were fighting for. It was for a better world, freedom, equality and the betterment of men, with a great moral peace and peace worthy of their heroes. Those were the two great inspirations that possessed their armies and people.

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