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Trades and Labor Congress of Canada Requests Canadian Government to Invite Provincial Premiers to Meet With Them and Reach a Common Understanding as to the Obligations Canada Has Resumed in Becoming a Member of the League of Nations.

Labor's legislative demands have rederal measure possible under the been presented to the Canadian residuary legislative power with relation to the peace, order, and good government by the Trades and government of Canada. If any argument were needed as to its necessity it has been fully furparting before the Cabinet the legislative programme has been printed and copies sent to the Government accompanied by a letter from Mr. Tom Moore, president of unemployment insurance embodying

pearing before the legislative programme has been printed and copies sent to the Government accompanied by a letter from Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, asking that a conference be held between the Cabinet and the Executive Council of the Congress to discuss the programme.

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Under the new arbitration is we of the Quebec Provincial Government, which will compel all municipalities and their employes to settle their disputes. Hon. A. Galipeault, Minister of Labor, informed a delegation of policemen from Montreal, last week, compulsory arbitration will be provided between cities and municipalities employing at least ten men in the police, fire, waterworks or incineration departments, and their employes. If any employes go on strike before the dispute has been adjudicated by the arbitration board they will be liable to a fine of from \$19 to \$100 a day, while if any municipal corporation declares a lockout in aimilar cases they will be fined from

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Membership in the United Textile Workers' Union Proves Beneficial.

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CANADIAN PARLIAMENT FORMALLY OPENED ON MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Unemployment Insurance and Old Age Pensions Amongst Bills to Be Introduced.

With much gold lace, etc., etc., the Fifth Session of the Eleventh Parliament was formally opened on Monday. The Speech from the Declares British Empire Self-Throne, not unlike previous ones, Textile workers employed in the outlines some of the proposed legis Guelph factory of the Dominion tation to be introduced by the Gov-Linen Company, Limited, have won ernment during the session. In a complete victory against a reduc-tion in wages and increased hours these measures are included unemof toll after a strike of some two or playment insurance and old age

Governing Units Are Entitled to National Status.

Defending the grant of a separate vote to each of the British Do-minions in the Assembly of the League of Nations, Samuel Gom-

8-hr. Workday Bill Introduced in Ontario House

Eight-hour working-day legislation was introduced into the Ontario Legislature last week by Sergt-Major J. McNamara, Soldier - Labor member for Riverdale, and M. M. Mac-Bride, Independent Labor member for South Brant.

Not only does the bill propose penalties for employers, but also for employees who work more than eight consecutive hours in one day. The fine proposed for wilful neglect to comply with the eight-hour law is \$1.000.

Exceptions to the terms of the bill are those engaged in agriculture, superintendents, foremen, time-keepers, pump, men, elevator assistants, tuaris, watchmen, hospital and nursing attendants, and those employed in work affectle ghuman life. Overtime shall be legationly in cases of necessity, and then not more than ten hours shall be worked.

The day, it is set out, chall be considered to be the 24 hours beginning at six o'clock each calendar day. Between each working day of eight hours there must be eight consecutive hours of rest.

bor organ, Will Crooks, Labor mem-ber of the British Parliament for Woolwich, will give up his seat on account of ill-health. The Independent Labor party has chosen J. Ramsay MacDonald, former member of Parliament for Leicester and former chairman of the Labor party, to run for the seat of Mr. Cooks.

Trades Congress Opinion Reiterated By Premier Norris in Manitoba Legislature.

In the Manitoba Legislature this week Mr. J. F. Dixon, one of the Labor members for Winnipes, in-troduced a resolution requesting the Manitoba Legislative Assembly

WILL CROOKS TO RESIGN
SEAT IN BRITISH HOUSE
OF COMMONS.

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Labor Congress of Canada hap be perfected to point on as the Manitoba Primiter. The Winnipes strike a prefer to follow the advice of Defence Committee, which is concerned in the destruction international Trades Union ment than in securing the restriction of the convicted men.

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A WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMME.

LSEWHERE in this issue is published the legislative programme of the Trades and Late tive programme of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. There is nothing unreasonable about it. Indeed all of the legislation sought will materially assist in the progress of Canada. The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada make it quite plain that the Canadian Government has a greater duty to perform than merely passing on to the competent authorities the recommendation of the Washington Conference of the International Labor Organization. The Canadian Government participated in the Washington Conference and had advisors from each of the various provinces. In due course the findings of this International Labor Conference were forwarded to the Canadian Government and on November 6, 1920, by order-in-council,

The Dominion Government, in our opinion, has a much greater duty to perform than merely carrying out the letter of the law by transmitting the findings of these International Labor Conferences to the several Provincial Governments who seem unwilling to accept the responsibility for action thrown upon them,

"And request that the Dominion Government invite the Premiers or other Provincial representatives with full authority to meet with them and reach a common understanding as to the obligations Canada has assumed by becoming a member of the League of Nations, and secure their co-operation to the end that these and future findings of the international labor body, may be dealt with as Treaty obligations if such authority does not at present exist."

In the Speech from the Throne on the opening of Parliament on Monday, it is intimated that unemployment insurance and old age pensions will be among the progressive measures introduced during the session. These are two of the requests of Labor.

With regard to the amendments to the Immigration Act, enacted during the Winnipeg strike, the Trades and Labor Congress request that these amendments be discussed on the floor of the House of Commons. Last session the Minister of Labor attempted to have them abolished in the Senate, but without success. Labor demands that they be discussed on the floor of the House of Commons when the Members elected by the people will have an opportunity of expressing their

dispute at the Toronto shipyards demonstrates more clearly than anything else the necessity for some definite declaration as to the meaning of the Fair Wage Law. The Labor Department, which should know the should have unrestricted authority in determining fair

Immigration changes are requested and we will

deal with this phase in another article.

Affairs in the Civil Service of Canada are entirely unsatisfactory and the Trades and Labor Congress demand that democracy enter the Civil Service by the introduction of Whitley Councils, which will eliminate waste and will re-organize the service in an efficient

newspapers are calling for a halt. The Christian ditions. A little effort directed to the "christianizing" political strings, expresses the opinions of the work- without results at this time. ing classes of all countries in a recent editorial under the heading "Vulcan's Marathon."

The editorial states:

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The present expenditure of the United State is ninety-three cents out of every dollar for past and present war services. What will be left for such insignificant requirements as education, or art, or trade, with the birth of the new battle-ship, it is difficult to see. At the present rate at which things are going, the prophecy of General Pershing seems likely to be rapidly realized, that so-called military security will be bought at the price of the obliteration of civilization.

"There is no reason to suppose that the e.mor barons are less active today than they were in the past. The doctrine of Admiral Sims that armaments are a question of relative efficiency, and that it is unnecessary to have on the spot a force greater than an enemy 3.000 miles away, for the purpose of defense, is not in the least likely to find favor with them. Mr. Daniels demands the greatest navy in the world, very much as the Kalser once demanded the greatest army. He does not say whom it is to be used against, and there is no reasons to suppose that he believes it ever will be used. The demand provex, however, that the war passions of Armageddon were not extinguished by the Peace of Versailles, and Mr. Daniels, as Secretary of the Navy, should know that the only man who ever built up a great military force, purely as a plaything, which he could not bear to see damaged, was the inventor of the Potsdam Giants. General Pershing and Admiral Sims, who have seen war, the greatest war the world has ever seen, face to face, and not only read about it in the newspapers, are unalgerably opposed to the building of great military machines, which in the end always become uncontrollable. Nothing in the world is playing into the thands of the Bolsheviki and the anarchist like the overgrown military estimates of civilized Cristian powers. The men who do st like the overgrown military estimates of civilized Christian which produces the causes and means. If Mr. Harding wishes to introduce a period of real progress and of true reform, he will set his face steadfastly against this Vulcan's Marathon race, and he will find that he is doing so at a time when the common people of all nations are prepared to listen to him."

American workers' opinion, expressed by the the Canadian Government defined its position in regard American Federation of Labor, is unanimous for the League of Nations. Workers in the United States, as The Trades and Labor Congress in this respect in all other countries, see in the League the preventative for future wars. The United States armor barons cause. want the great southern republic to remain outside so that they can continue to gouge the workers and build up immense fortunes at the expense of civilization. HE One Big Union that was launched amid a blare Workers in the United States are unanimous in their protest against the building of immense navies.

IMMIGRATION CHANGES NECESSARY.

OR some months the Canadian Labor Press has been pointing out the defects in our present system of recruiting immigrants in Great Brit-In submitting the legislative programme of the workers of this country the Trades and Labor Congress

"Continual misrepresentation of booking agents and other interested parties in Great Britain as to conditions and opportunities in Canada show the ever increasing importance of the establishment of a Central Immigration authority."

The Trades and Labor Congress also protest against the practice of employers recruiting labor outside of Canada through private agencies and demand its abolition.

Vice-president H. J. Halford, who recently returnd from Europe, where he attended the convention of The action of the Government during the recent; the International Federation of Trade Unions and the Governing Body of the International Labor Office, states that 70 per cent. of the people accepted for emigration to Canada had selected Ontario as their destination. This statement was so important that the Canaprevailing rates of wages, in all districts, in our opinion, dian immigration authorities have issued an official statement on the question and are endeavoring to affix the blame to the Ontario Government. It makes little difference to the Canadian workers upon whom rests the responsibility, but it does concern Canadian workers when thousands of immigrants come to Canada at a time when grave unemployment is prevalent.

That many immigrants are brought to Canada by misrepresentation is established, but if there is more proof required we submit the following from the Toronto Telegram of February 9:

manner.

Many other demands are made on the Government and we venture to say that not one of the requests will retard the progress of Canada. We are convinced that if the whole programme were put into effect at once that we will have a better Canada and a more contented and happy working class with renewed faith in constituted authority.

Constituted authority.

RED OF AFFILIATION.

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A. H. BLACKBURN, Circulation Mgr. tions. This perhaps has much to do with the con- dustrial history of all civilized countries, nor is there struction of armaments in the Republic to the South. Some of the most influential of the United States to maintain these (to them) highly satisfactory con-Science Monitor, an international newspaper, with no of European employers in India might not be entirely

SOLIDARITY.

RITISH Building Trades Unions refuse to hang Canadian doors unless they bear the Union Label or unless they are accompanied by a certified statement under the seal of the Carpenters' Union that the doors were made under strictly union conditions. The British Health Ministry has notified importers of this action and has instructed them to supply doors made under union conditions. Already many Canadian firms have received orders from Great Britain with the clause regarding union conditions contained therein One Ottawa firm is amongst those who have received

The action of the British Building Trade Unions again demonstrates the solidarity of Labor.

WAGES AGAIN LAY BEHIND.

TON. T. H. Johnson, Attorney-General of the Province of Mahitoba, in his report of the operation of the Manitoba Government telephones during 1920, lets in some more light as to the increase in wages and materials. Wages, as in almost every other industry, did not increase in proportion to the increased cost of materials. In the Attorney-General's report it is stated that wages increased 110 per cent. as against materials which increased 160 per cent. Yet we still have politicians, editorial writers, and employers tell us that labor and labor alone is responsible for price advances. We again repeat that wage advances have been an effect of price advances, not a

O. B. U.'S FADE AWAY.

of trumpets nearly two years ago at Calgary has been dealt another smashing blow by the withdrawal of the British Columbia loggers, who announce they will be independent.

The One Big Union has now less than 5,000 members, mostly in Winnipeg, with small groups scattered throughout several cities in the northwest.

When the O.B.U's. organized their wild claims alarmed some trade unionists who overlooked former over-night attempts to uproot the International Trades Union movement.

WATCH CHILD LABOR CHAMPIONS.

PPOSITION to the Adolescent School Attendance Act of Ontario, 1919, has developed. The press that always does the master's bidding is raising very strenuous opposition in Toronto to the carrying out of the act. In a bulletin issued by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada in November of last year, it was stated that this very thing would hap-Trades and Labor Councils were requested "to take such action as may be necessary to keep the question to the forefront in the minds of the workers.'

Organized Labor has persistently requested that the school age be raised to sixteen years and while the Adolescent School Attendance Act of Ontario, 1919, does not meet this demand, it does to a great extent. That many employers would be opposed to the carrying out of the act was expected as it will take out of industry many children between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years of age. Workers in all centres should insist that the spirit and letter of the law is carried out in the stages provided for under the act.

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Underestimate Real Value of Newspapers

"Too many manufacturers and others in various lines of business enterprise under-estimate the real value of newspapers as divertising mediums," asserted A. P. Sandles, with emphasis, at the closing session of the National Crushed Stone Association, in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto. Mr. Sandles, who halls from Columbus, Ohio, feared that many men engaged in the crushed stone business did not realize to the full extent the magnitude of the wave of business swaying towards the industry. He advised strongly that the present time was most opportune for members of the association to inaugurate an advertising campalgn on a gigantic scale.

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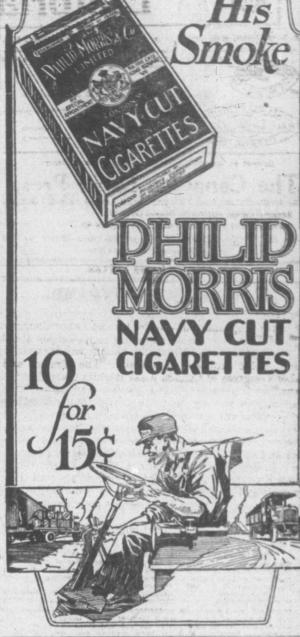
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ons arrived at by the investigators of the Industrial Research Fatigue Board, who have been making inould be fornfed.

A great improvement of output the appear possible," mays their repert, "If the employers and men coterate thoroughly to that end,
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are given by workmen and manpers, new methods of working were
scussed and suggestions found to
of practical value were permantly adopted."

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In consequence of these improvements and the extra keenness of the men in working the furnaces the output of the handcharged furnaces gradually increased by about 70 per cent.
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