

CALL FOR ARBITRATION

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MEETING OF BUSINESS MEN

Governor of Pennsylvania and National Civic Federation Asked to Take Action By Strikers and Business Men.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The call for arbitration of the differences between the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company and its four thousand or more striking employees, has become insistent.

From quarter after quarter in Philadelphia and outside of it, the demand for predatory measures was voiced. Everywhere it was recognized that the failure to arrive at any arbitration agreement was the only thing that stood in the way of a speedy calling off of the general strike in this city, which practically has paralyzed the city's industrial life and which the labor leaders made renewed threats to spread if the deadlock continued.

The threats, perhaps, were the very things which most stood in the way of an amicable adjustment. The "vested interests," as they are sometimes alluded to by partisans, but which, nevertheless, under present conditions are a decidedly real factor in the situation, dislike and resent the hint of coercion.

Under the present conditions of the present conditions of consideration, there came to the surface forces which those who, for good or bad reasons, can see nothing but a prolonged struggle as the outgrowth of the existing complications, will seemingly find it hard to resist.

At a representative meeting of business men the call for arbitration was the keynote from beginning to end of a long debate, which culminated in demands upon both local and national influences for the setting in motion of forces which would work to bring the traction dispute before mediatory tribunals for settlement.

Local financial, commercial and official bodies and the federal authorities, as well as the salutary influence of the national civic federation, were appealed to to step in and end the difficulty.

CAUSE OF HIGH PRICES.

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Washington, D. C.—Retail meat dealers placed upon the farmers and the packers responsibility for the higher prices of meat in testimony given before the select senate committee, which began its inquiry into the increased cost of living.

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REPORTS ON WEATHER.

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Washington, D. C.—In response to the request of the fruit growers of several southern states, Senator Clay has finally won the consent of the senate committee on agriculture to agree to an emergency appropriation of \$40,000 to permit the weather bureau to resume its full weather report service.

JAPANESE ARE ANGRY

Anti-Americanism Is Rampant Throughout Japan.

Recent Statement of Russian-Japanese Alliance Against America Arouses Nipones.

Tokyo, Japan.—The struggle of interest has become serious. Japan is obliged to remember that her failure is due to her disregard of others' rights.

IMMIGRANTS FOR FARMS.

Government Officials Would Place All Foreigners on Farms.

Washington, D. C.—Co-operation between the federal government and the several states in the matter of placing immigrants on farms was urged by Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor at a conference held at the home of Representative Dwight of New York, in which Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and others participated.

CURE FOR POOR MEMORY.

Judge Jails Witness for Saying "I Don't Remember."

New York City.—That a judge may summarily punish a witness who answers "I don't remember" to most of the questions that are asked him, and commit him to jail for contempt of court, is a perjury. Judge Holt ordered his arrest and committed him to Ludlow street jail for six months for contempt of court.

MORE MONEY FOR R. F. D.

Over \$1,000,000 Added to the Appropriation by House.

Washington, D. C.—Over \$1,000,000 was added by the house to the appropriation recommended by the committee on postoffices and postroads for the rural free delivery service for the year ending June 30, 1911. The appropriation, it was stated, would be sufficient to permit the establishment of 3,000 new rural free delivery routes, as it would make available for such extensions about \$1,500,000. During the current fiscal year \$660,000 was available for extension of this service.

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RUN ON BANK STOPS.

Cleveland, Ohio.—After as vigorous a run upon a banking house as has ever been known in Cleveland, the stamped depositors of the Society for Savings regained their equilibrium and the panic was over. In the two days and a half that the run lasted \$1,250,000 was withdrawn at the rate of \$1,225 a minute.

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