

LABOR SHORTAGE: CONFERENCE TO-DAY

Ministers of Immigration and
Agriculture to Participate
—Grain Men Meet, Too

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—An important conference, in which Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Immigration and Colonization, and Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Agriculture, will participate, will take place here to-morrow in connection with the problem of labor shortage in Canada. The matter is one which has been engaging the attention of these two departments for some time, and it is understood that some concrete proposals will be considered to-morrow. Last year Canada turned to the United States for a supply of labor to meet the necessities more particularly of the Canadian West. This cannot be done to such an extent now that the United States is in the war.

The Capital is also the scene this week of a conference of Canadian millers and grain men who are considering the question of wheat and flour distribution in Canada. This conference is being participated in by representatives of the Board of Grain Supervisors and the Food Controller.

Brazilian Naval Aviators Leave for Britain

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 9. — Brazilian naval aviators, who will form the first Brazilian contribution to the fighting forces of the allies, have departed for England.

A despatch from Rio Janeiro early in December said that on invitation from the British Government twelve Brazilian naval aviators would soon leave for Europe to complete their course of instruction in England.

CHARGE OF HELPING ALIEN ENEMY TO LEAVE

TWO MEN ACCUSED OF AIDING
A GERMAN IN OBTAINING A
PASSPORT.

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Windsor, Jan. 9.—John E. Warren, real estate operator, with offices at 104 Book Building, Detroit, and Frederick Cote, who is employed in a Windsor real estate office, are being detained by Canadian immigration officials here on charges of having violated the Canadian order in Council passed to prevent men of military age from leaving the country without a permit.

It is alleged the accused men assisted Bernhardt Litfin, a subject of Germany, in obtaining a passport at Windsor.

Litfin, who was arraigned to-day on a perjury charge, came to Windsor in October of last year from Kitchener. Magistrate Leggatt deferred further hearing of the case until Thursday of next week.

PRINTING PLANT DESTROYED.

Vancouver, Jan. 9.—The printing plant of A. H. Timms, considered one of the best on the Northern Pacific coast, was completely gutted by fire yesterday. The loss will reach \$30,000.