

CU... PRODUCTION... BLAMED ON LABOR

Workers to Be but 60 Per Cent Efficient.

THOUSANDS OF MEN IDLE

Manufacturer Says Pinch Must Be Felt Before Living Cost Problem Will Be Solved.

NEW YORK, May 30.—(Special)—Lack of transportation facilities and decreasing efficiency of labor are given as the chief reasons for the curtailment in production...

Workers Held Inefficient. S. H. Gardner of the American Hardware Manufacturers' association...

Money Is Tied Up. The members of our association complain bitterly about transportation conditions...

Fling Taken at Tax. Mr. Gardner took a fling at the excess profits tax, saying it takes double the capital to manufacture...

Parts Not Obtainable. That condition does exist at present, but not to the extent that there is or is likely to be a 50 per cent curtailment...

Trucks Aid Transportation. Motor trucks have been utilized to move parts of all kinds and a big percentage of production is being driven to dealers on the highways...

Garment Industry Quiet. The women's garment industry is practically at a standstill. Less than 20 per cent of the members of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' union are employed...

GENERAL DECLINE IN PRICES SCOUTED

Cost of Living Declared Out-distancing Wages.

BASIC CONDITIONS SAME

Both Commercial Paper and Call Money Affected by Wide Revision of Interest Rates.

Why have the retailers slashed women's garments 20 and 25 per cent, if it is not because they know they can sell at this cut price at a reasonable profit...

Elbert H. Gary, president of the American Iron and Steel Institute, and several other members of that organization, denied emphatically yesterday anything like a curtailment in any line of their industry...

Less Loading Needed. Any movement to curtail production in raw materials or any of the essential articles of manufacture would be a move in the wrong direction...

Hoarding Is Encouraged. It was decided that the banks throughout the country would inaugurate a policy of curtailing loans on non-essentials...

Profiteers Are Stamped. The bankers went home from Washington determined to break up all these practices by curtailing credits and refusing to renew loans on hoarded goods...

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low efficiency or small output per unit of labor is prevalent and the difficulty of getting skilled labor in some of the more highly developed lines of manufacture is now very considerable.

"The disturbing factors" have materially affected many lines of manufacturing, although general manufacturing continues in substantial volume.

"No. 1 (Boston)—There is noted a trend toward greater discrimination and economy in buying, but there is also noted very great difficulty in the way of actual deflation."

"No. 2 (New York)—Price reductions are noted in retail stores, as well as in the cost of doing business, great reduction in securities prices, but nevertheless a continued high demand for goods and activity in trade."

"No. 3 (Philadelphia)—The congestion of freight, a quieter state of the markets and a large relative public demand for medium and lower priced goods tend to alter in some respects the general drift of development."

"No. 4 (Cleveland)—An orderly movement back toward a more solid and substantial footing is noted, although not all business men are agreed on the outlook."

"No. 5 (Richmond)—Unrest and uncertainty in commercial fields have continued and agitation against high prices has led to some curtailment in purchasing."

"No. 6 (Atlanta)—The peak of high prices has been reached in most lines and the tendency is downward. Unrest still prevails on account of high prices."

"No. 7 (Chicago)—Decided readjustment in economic conditions is anticipated, one factor in which is the growth of indications of a general reduction of prices."

"No. 8 (St. Louis)—The volume of business is enormous, the total in both manufacturing and distribution showing broad gains over the corresponding period last year."

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STILL 'SPOTTED' FROM AIR. Birdseye Photograph Used to Guide Raiders Into Hills.

DENVER, Colo., May 30.—A moonshiner raid by airplane was accomplished yesterday when officers of the Colorado state constabulary confiscated a "still" located in the mountains near Idaho Springs, Colo. The plant had a capacity of 100 gallons a day.

Soaring high above the lofty peaks of Mount Evans, Colonel Clifton Wilder, superintendent of the constabulary, and Walter Byron, an assistant, located the plant on Wednesday and photographed it. With the developed photographs as a guide the officers today made their way over the trailless hills disguised as fishermen, reached the plant and brought its supplies and paraphernalia back to Denver tonight. The owners escaped.

Toledo has about 45,000 telephones and 60,000 persons are said to be seeking the service.

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