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MINIMUM WAGE SOUGHT FOR MEN

Sympathetic Hearing Given Appeals by Labor Minister

Appeals for establishment of a minimum wage for men have received sympathetic hearing from Hon. Dr. J. M. Robb, Provincial Minister of Health and Labor. "This is a matter we ought to keep in view, to see what steps are possible," said Dr. Robb yesterday.

It is understood the Ministry has viewed with concern a phase of the present labor situation, in which men who do not belong to union organizations are accepting pitifully small wages perforce, or else refusing them, preferring to live on relief. The understanding is that no legislation to meet the situation is contemplated this session, but the matter will be under continued consideration.

Dr. Robb's statement on the subject was prompted yesterday by a visit of a delegation from Kitchener, headed by Mayor Sturm of that city. This delegation supported the move for a minimum wage.

SINCLAIR TO SEEK DIVORCE CHANGE

Notice of Amendment to Act Is Given in Legislature

W. E. N. Sinclair, K.C., M.P.P., former Leader of the Liberal group, has given formal notice in the Ontario Legislature of an amendment to the Divorce Act, which, in his opinion, will rectify an injustice in disposing of such cases.

He contends divorce actions should be launched and completed in the locality in which the plaintiffs reside.

This amendment is the first of three bills, notice of which was filed with the Clerk of Assembly yesterday. He is also advocating abolition of the present practice of compelling municipalities, at considerable expense, to advertise their tax sales in the Ontario Gazette. The other measure sponsored by Mr. Sinclair would correct, he contends, an abuse in the registration of mortgages and also abolish a certain portion of the revenue assessed by registry offices upon full registrations.