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## TAFT WOULD OPEN COURTS TO NATIONS

### Solution of Canal Situation Offered.

## MESSAGE SENT TO CONGRESS

### President Explains He Desires to Sign Bill.

## GOOD FAITH TO BE SHOWN

### Congress Receives Assurance That Exemption of Coastwise Vessels Is Regarded as Not Violation of Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—President Taft closed a day of conferences on the Panama Canal bill with a special message to Congress suggesting the passage of legislation which would permit American ships to travel the canal toll free, and which would also allow foreign nations to test the legality of this provision by suits in United States courts.

The President discussed the message with Senators and members of the House, and its wording finally was decided upon at a Cabinet meeting. The message was read in Congress soon afterward and will be taken up tomorrow by committees of both houses.

**Leaders May Meet Wishes.**  
It was the belief here tonight that an effort would be made to meet the President's wishes, although some leaders, particularly in the House, were inclined to believe the message meant no further canal action at the present session.

Mr. Taft explained he desired to sign the present bill, but wished to assure other governments of the spirit of fairness on the part of the United States. The President was told that an act of Congress would have the effect of abrogating any treaty previously agreed to, and the decision of the Supreme Court in the Chinese exclusion act was given as authority for the statement. His suggestion to Congress for additional legislation designed to prevent any such construction as that of the Supreme Court in the Chinese case would allow foreigners to try their case in the United States courts.

**Taft Suggests Remedy.**  
The President suggested the following:

"That nothing contained in the act entitled 'An act to provide for the opening, maintenance, protection and operation of the Panama Canal and the sanitation and government of the Canal Zone,' shall be deemed to repeal any provision of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty or to affect the judicial construction thereof or in any wise to impair any rights or privileges which have been or may be acquired by any foreign nation under the treaties of the United States relative to tolls or other charges for the passage of vessels through the Panama Canal, and that when any alien, whether natural person, partnership, company or corporation considers that the charging of tolls or the enforcement of any other regulation under and pursuant to the provisions of this act violates in any way such treaty rights or privileges, such alien shall have the right to bring an action against the United States for a redress of the injury which he considers himself to have suffered, and the district courts of the United States are hereby given jurisdiction to hear and determine such cases and to decree the appropriate relief, and from the decision of such district courts there shall be an appeal by either party to the action to the Supreme Court of the United States."

**Way to Court Is Opened.**  
"This language," continued the message, "negatives absolutely any desire on the part of the Congress to repeal the Hay-Pauncefote treaty or to violate its provisions by this legislation, and leaves open to any person who deems himself aggrieved by the provisions of the act an opportunity to appeal to our courts."

"I think the importance of our standing before the world as anxious to give to the world an opportunity to test this question in the courts is an earnest of our good faith in attempting to keep within our treaty obligations."

The President continued that he was confident the exemption of the coastwise vessels of the United States from tolls was not a violation of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

The message, after being read in the House, was referred to the interstate commerce committee on motion of Democratic Leader Underwood. That committee has adjourned for the session, and Chairman Adamson sought to have the bill left on the Speaker's table, but the House voted otherwise.

"It's gone to bed so far as the House is concerned," was Mr. Adamson's remark. He said he had not been able to command a quorum of his committee for three weeks.

## PRESIDENT URGED TO ACT

### Portland Now Requests Taft to Sign Canal Bill.

In support of the message sent to President Taft, Saturday, by the Portland Chamber of Commerce, urging him to sign the Panama Canal bill in case

## FEARS FOR SAFETY OF BALLOON FELT

### VOYAGER LAST SEEN VEERING TOWARD OCEAN.

VENICE, Cal., Aug. 19.—Fears for the safety of five men, who started on what was intended to be a cross-country flight in the gas balloon California, which ascended from the end of the Frazier pier here today, were expressed tonight by their friends.

With Edward Unger, the builder, as pilot, Clyde G. Benjamin as passenger and Arthur and Leslie Clivin and Ray Rasmus as crew, the balloon's flight was begun at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon. To avoid striking a bathhouse several bags of sand were thrown overboard and the balloon apparently shot into an unexpected northward instead of eastward, its intended course. As the balloon disappeared over the Malibu Mountains it was seen to veer toward the ocean and it was thought tonight when no word had been received from its occupants that they were in danger, far out at sea.

## NOTED ELEPHANT POACHER IS SLAIN

### Death of African Outlaw Is Dramatic.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—Hunted down by British soldiers in the depths of the jungles of Central Africa, where for years, in defiance of all authority, he had pursued the career of elephant poacher and illicit ivory trader, James Ward Rogers, an American, is dead. He was shot down by a little force of troops which had been sent into the wilderness in pursuit, with orders not to return without the outlaw, dead or alive.

News of Rogers' death came formally today to the British Colonial Office from Captain C. V. Fox, inspector of Mongalla Province, who commanded the expedition. Although told in an official report, the story revealed is one of the most dramatic in colonial annals.

## BRITISH LONG IN PURSUIT

### Chase Through Jungle Leads Across Upper Nile.

Report of Capture Tells How Many Who Defied Authority Had Set Up Government in Midst of Trackless Forest.

## SUPPLY BILL TO BE VETOED AGAIN

### TAFT TO MAKE STAND FOR COMMERCE COURT.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—President Taft will register a second veto against the legislative, executive and judicial bill, it is predicted tonight. The bill was passed in both houses.

The bill as sent to the White House provides for the abolition of the Commerce Court, but does not contain the provisions which would limit to a seven-year tenure civil service employees, a provision to which Mr. Taft objected when he vetoed the same bill several days ago.

The President has expressed a willingness to stay in Washington all Summer if necessary to back up the Commerce Court.

When the bill was up in the Senate today Overman offered the provision for the abolition of the court. The Republicans who voted with the Democrats to pass it were: Senators Borah, Bourne, Bristow, Clapp, Crawford, Cullins, Heyburn, La Follette, Nelson, Poindexter and Works.

Senator Thornton, of Louisiana, was the only Democrat who voted against abolishing the court.

## REDMOND MARSHAL AND MAYOR DUSTED

### Council Heeds Demand of Governor.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Governor West has won in his fight at Redmond. Tonight he notified that the City Council has accepted the resignation not only of Mayor H. F. Jones but of Marshal McClay. This was verified in a telegram received tonight as follows:

"City Council of Redmond has accepted resignation of Mayor Jones and Marshal McClay." (Signed) Hoch, President of Council.

This will mean that the Governor's prospective raid on Redmond with the militia will be unnecessary. He had planned to take a squad of the National Guard personally into Redmond Wednesday if the resignation was not forthcoming by the Council, it being impossible for him to leave tomorrow owing to the militia hearing which will be held here. The City Council will select a successor to Jones immediately.

Governor West received word early in the day that Mayor H. F. Jones, of Redmond, had placed his resignation in the hands of the City Council, and pending action the movement of the militia was temporarily held in abeyance.

Mayor L. C. Edwards, of Sumpter, sent notification that the saloons of Sumpter were closed all day Sunday. Governor West forwarded a telegram to W. J. Woods, Justice of the Peace at Huntington, demanding his resignation immediately. Woods promptly resigned.

These were the developments in the vice crusade of Governor West as shown in reports at the executive offices today.

## TRAIN WRECKED AT OLEQUA

### Axle of Tender Breaks and Car Is Derailed—No One Hurt.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Northern Pacific passenger train No. 353, southbound, was wrecked west of Olequa at 4:20 P. M. today. The journal of the tender broke, dropping the tender to the track, and the mail car left the rails.

No one was injured but several other trains are held up here: The Shasta Limited since 5 o'clock, eastbound Northern Pacific No. 334 since 5:45 and eastbound Great Northern 355 since 7:10.

A wrecking crew from Vancouver arrived at 10:30 and those in charge said the track would be clear within two hours.

## SEATTLE FOUNDER IS DEAD

### Carson D. Boren Landed at Alki Point, 1851, via Portland.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 19.—Carson D. Boren, 88 years old, the last adult male member of the party of pioneers who landed at Alki Point, November 13, 1851, and founded the City of Seattle, died at his home here today after a brief illness.

Mr. Boren was born in Illinois, and came west with a party of 24, traveling overland to Portland and from there to Alki Point in a schooner.

## MYERS ELECTED TO LEAD 'MID ROW

### 'Dictatorship' Charges Filed in Meeting.

AMID a chaos of cheers, hisses and groans, frantic appeals to the chair for recognition, conflicting motions and "points of order," the Multnomah County Progressives last night nominated Levi W. Myers, distinguished as one of those active in the formation of the Republican party more than 60 years ago, as Progressive state central committeeman from Multnomah County.

They also passed a resolution providing that steps be taken for the formal organization of a new party under the name "Progressive," a resolution to ascertain the attitude of the Republican nominees of the last primary toward Roosevelt, before steps for putting another ticket in the field should be considered, and boisterously rejected a resolution offered by O. M. Hickey calling upon Dan Kellaher to resign from nomination as elector on the Republican ticket and to permit his nomination on the Progressive ticket to stand.

Charges of factionalism and what was declared to be attempts at "dictatorship" and "steamrollerism" were handed back and forth from the nominee gathered at the Washington High School to appoint campaign committees and to arrange for the entertainment of Colonel Roosevelt in Portland on Wednesday, September 11.

## FRANTIC APPEALS MADE

### Dr. H. W. Coe Receives Brunt of Attack and Resolution Asking Kellaher to Resign Is "Boisterously Rejected."

Hardly had the meeting been called to order by Dan Kellaher before a row began which raged for nearly an hour with fiery speeches, denunciations, personalities, pleas for harmony and a general wrangle about what should be done. At times as many as 15 or 20 persons were shouting for recognition from the chair. Speakers were cheered, hooted and hissed.

The first clash came when Levi W. Myers introduced a resolution calling for the appointment by the meeting of a committee of 15 on a program and entertainment for Colonel Roosevelt.

"Resolved, That said committee be empowered to name 500 representative citizens and business men to aid in the reception," read the proposed resolution.

## PLEIADES STUCK FAST

### Crews Try in Vain to Pull Stranded Vessel From Rocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—The United States cruiser Denver endeavored in vain to move the stranded freighter Pleiades from the rocks at Cape San Lazaro, near Magdalena Bay, today, according to advices received here.

The steamers Washnetaw and Portland are standing by the wrecked steamer, in addition to the cruiser, and the owners of the Pleiades sent the wrecking steamer Greenwood to its aid tonight.

## RABBITS' BLOOD SAVES BOY

### Infusion Stops Hemorrhage After Other Means Have Failed.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 19.—To save the life of a small son of V. Marr, manager of the Monrovia office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, who was slowly bleeding to death from his nostrils, surgeons tried today the infusion of blood from two young rabbits, and the operation was pronounced successful.

Within ten minutes after the operation the boy's nostrils ceased to bleed and he was pronounced on the road to recovery.

## LEDGE SAVES FALLING MAN

### Miners Haul Co-Worker Out of Deep Crevasse by Shirt Rope.

NELSON, B. C., Aug. 19.—B. Gaigarow, a miner employed by the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, went for a walk last night on the glacier above the Molly Gibson mine. In the twilight he stepped into a crevasse hundreds of feet deep.

When his companions reached the spot where he had disappeared they found he had caught on a ledge many feet from the surface. They rescued him with a rope twisted from their flannel shirts.

## FALLING WIRE KILLS TWO

### Workmen on Bellingham Interurban Electrocuted Instantly.

BILLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 19.—Charles Boyd, of Seattle, and Ray Fesse, of Allen, Wash., were electrocuted near Burlington this afternoon as they were stringing a wire on the line of the Bellingham-Skagit Interurban.

The men were at work on the ground, when a heavily charged wire parted and fell on them. Death was instantaneous.

## ERB GETS MOFFATT ROAD

### New Interests Will Extend Line to Salt Lake, It Is Said.

DENVER, Aug. 19.—As the result of conferences held here today between Newman Erb, of New York, and representatives of the stockholders and real estate interests of the Pacific Northwest and California, an agreement was reached by which Newman Erb and his associates will acquire control of the property. Denver interests will invest between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 in the enterprise.

It is the ultimate intention of Mr. Erb and associates to extend the road to Salt Lake City, it was said after the meeting.

The New York note holders will extend the time for the payment of a \$3,500,000 loan.

## BIG LUMBER MILL BURNS

### Loss at Dallas Is \$60,000 With 125 Thrown Out of Work.

DALLAS, Or., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Mill No. 1 of the Dallas City Lumber Company, located two miles from Falls City, was destroyed by fire tonight. The loss is \$60,000.

With the burning of the mill 125 men have been thrown out of employment. The country for a distance of five miles around was lighted up by the fire.

## MILLIONAIRE MERCHANT DIES

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—Simon Mandel, president of Mandel Brothers, millionaire merchant, died at his residence here today, aged 76, after a long illness. He was born at Kerenheim, Germany. He survived by four daughters and five sons.

## LO THE POOR INDIAN—NEW VERSION.



## CAESARIAN OPERATION SUCCESSFULLY PERFORMED AT KLAMATH FALLS.

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