

SCHWAB TALKS TO COMMITTEE

TELLS OF EARLY EFFORTS TO COMBINE STEEL TRADE

IDEA SPRUNG BY HIM AT IMPORTANT DINNER

J. P. Morgan and E. H. Harriman Present When First the Steel Trust Was Suggested—Says He Will Be Glad to Tell the Committee All He Knows About the Steel Trust.

Washington, August 4.—Steel King Schwab the first president of the United States Steel corporation, was before the Stanley committee today. He remarked he was glad to tell all he knew concerning the formation of the trust prior to its organization. He said cutthroat competition existed.

He said that in 1899 when he was president of the Carnegie Steel company he sprung the idea of the steel manufacturers having a controlling organization at a dinner which J. P. Morgan and E. H. Harriman were among the 30 guests.

Then he recommended that all steel mills exchange cost sheets which he said they are doing now. He said that after the dinner, he accompanied Morgan home and re-outlined the plan and afterward took up the matter of the price of the Carnegie plant with Morgan. He did nothing further, others doing the rest.

DOCKMEN STILL OUT.

Arbitrators Hope to Bring Peace out of Chaotic Situation.

London, August 4.—More than 100 ships are tied up here today through the dockmen's strike. Arbitrators are attempting to bring peace and hope to reach a settlement before Saturday thus preventing general transportation from a tie up.

Birthday of Oldest Peer.

London, August 4.—Probably because the house of lords is so much to the fore front in public discussion these days, nearly all of the London newspapers made mention of the fact that today is the birthday anniversary of the venerable Earl of Wenys, who has the distinction of being the oldest member of that body. Though 93 years old, the earl shows no signs of mental decrepitude and few persons have displayed a keener interest in following the progress of the events at Westminster than he.

Lord Wenys is regarded as one of the most remarkable members of the British peerage. Though he long ago passed the age when most men are supposed to have something more than one foot in the grave, he drives his own motor car, shoots and fishes makes speeches, writes books and beguiles what leisure he has left at his favorite hobby—sculpture. The venerable earl is known as a prophet of woe. Ever since he entered public life—and that was long before most of those now conspicuous in it were born—he has preached a doctrine of national pessimism. The times to him have been always out of joint, but he has never inveighed against the spite, however unblessed, which has caused his creation to set right.

But his sincerity and patriotism has never been disputed. No man has done more to foster the volunteer movement. It was more than half a century ago that he first assumed the command of a corps, and his gift, the Elcho challenge shield, still testifies to his practical interest in the body whose motto is "Defense, Not Defense." He has the courage of his convictions at all times and is never bothered by considerations of consistency. He once opposed the habitual inebriates bill in the house of lords on the ground that every Englishman ought to be allowed to get drunk when it pleased him to do so.

HUSBAND MURDERER NEAR COLLAPSE.

San Francisco, August 4.—Free but abed and unstrung, Anna Lngley, who killed her worthless husband, is near collapse. After the coroner's jury late yesterday found a verdict that she shot and killed the man while temporarily insane she was released on \$100 bail. Tomorrow the preliminary hearing before Police Judge Deasy takes place.

To Visit the Canadian West.

London, August 4.—With a view to acquiring first hand knowledge of western Canada with especial reference to the needs and opportunities of that section in relation to emigration from the home country, a party of well known journalists representing a dozen of the leading newspapers of Great Britain sailed today for the other side. The party was organized by J. Obel Smith, assistant superintendent of emigration in Great Britain, who will accompany them on their tour of the western provinces.

LOCAL FIREBUG IS APPARENT

SECOND FIRE IN FEW DAYS IS SUSPICIOUS.

Property Owned by Mrs. Shaffer on North Spruce Now Gone.

What smacks of incendiary fires and firebugs, was seen today when the barn on North Spruce street, owned by Mrs. Anna Shaffer of Willowa county, was destroyed by a fire evidently set by some one. The fire is the second one within a few days to visit the same property—the Shaffer house was destroyed, practically, a few days since. Workmen occupied near the barn today say that they saw no one about the vacant premises, but that when the fire started, it came with a whirl indicating petroleum had been used to fan it. The blaze was a big one and though the department was on the scene hurriedly, the structure was pretty much ruined. In view of the fact that no children were seen about the place today, and that no one lives there, the conclusion has been drawn that some firebug has a mania for firing the Shaffer property. Mrs. Shaffer is not here, but everything indicates a person with a grudge is applying the torch to her property.

CAMUS SCARCE ARTICLE.

Indians Have Little Success Hunting It—Ladd Canyon News.

Ladd Canyon, August 3.—(Special)—Very nearly all of the farmers out this way have finished harvesting their wild hay. Those who will have large crops will no doubt finish by the latter part of the week. Most of those who have grain commenced binding yesterday morning. Huckleberries are ripe up in Ladd canyon now and a number of families have already gone in search of them. A great many Indians have passed through here in search of camus this summer but have had very poor success as they have it pretty well thinned out, as a result of constant digging annually.

Mrs. Dick Peebler and three younger children arrived home Saturday from Enterprise where they have enjoyed the past three weeks with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Eula Dougherty. The Misses Helen and Minnie Linebarger returned home last Tuesday from Forrest Grove, Oregon, where they have spent nearly a year with relatives.

Miss Kate Ashby returned to her home at North Powder one day last week, after a week's visit here with Miss Frankie Peebler.

RENEW STRIFE OVER PRESIDENT

MEXICO MAY BECOME INVOLVED IN A NEW WAR

FOURTH PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE APPEARS

General Reyes Latest Addition to List of Presidential Timber—Says He Will Retire and Leave the Country if Trouble Ensues—In Such an Event Madero Would Likely Win.

Mexico City, August 4.—Formal announcement of the candidacy for president by General Reyes is expected today, and it is believed to be certain to embroil Madero, De La Barra, and other chiefs in a situation which may mean resumption of the civil strife.

Emilio Gomez, who was formally nominated for the presidency by the anti-re-electionists party is arrayed against Madero and Reyes. Reyes says if his candidacy promises to cause trouble he will renounce it and go abroad. He would leave three—Gomez, Madero, and De La Barra—to fight it out and there is but little doubt that Madero would be elected.

SPOKANE COMMERCE CRIPPLED

Newspaper Unable to Publish Morning Edition Because of Fire.

Spokane, August 4.—This city is today paralyzed in a commercial way owing to the burning out of the main electric trunks of the Washington Water Power company, under the street. The flames shot up 20 feet and the fire department was called out. A short circuit was the cause.

The newspapers cannot issue their papers and street car lines are tied up as well as mills and plants.

Christian Workers' Conference.

East Northfield, Mass., August 4.—The General Conference of Christian Workers, one of the series of annual religious gatherings established here by the late Dwight L. Moody, met for its 29th annual session today with an attendance of visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada and also from Europe. Prominent speakers will address the conference during its session of 16 days, among the number being Rev. John A. Huton of Glasgow, Rev. J. Stuart Holden of London, Rev. R. A. Torrey of Pennsylvania and Rev. G. A. Johnston Ross of Cambridge, England.

Pacific Highway Convention.

Portland, Ore., August 4.—The Pacific Highway convention began a two days' session in Portland today with a large attendance and a list of prominent speakers that combined to give promise of a highly successful and profitable gathering. The attendance included delegates from commercial clubs, automobile clubs and other organizations interested in the good road movement from British Columbia to southern California. Governor Hay of Washington, Governor West of Oregon and other men of wide prominence are on the program for addresses. The convention is being entertained by the Portland Commercial club.

Odd Fellows to Meet.

Indianapolis, Ind., August 4.—Governor Marshall and former Vice President Fairbanks will welcome the members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows when they assemble in this city next month for the convention of the sovereign grand lodge of the order. A large attendance of visitors is expected from all parts of the United States and Canada. One of the features of the gathering will be a visit to the Odd Fellows' Home at Greensburg.

TAFT'S VETO PREPARED FOR

COALITION MAY END IN PASSAGE OF BILL OVER VETO

COTTON SCHEDULE REVISION MAY DIE IN THE SENATE

When Taft's Expected Veto is Attached to the Schedule as Passed by the House and Senate, coalition will Force the Measure Over President's Veto.

Washington, August 4.—Practically certain that President Taft will veto the wool tariff revision bill and the farmers' free list bill, came this afternoon, when Congressman Dwight, the house whip, after a conference with Taft, sent a hurry call for absent republicans, urging them to be back to vote against the bills should an attempt be made to pass them over the veto.

That the call was made at the president's suggestion is taken as certain and it is an indication that he has decided on what steps he will take when the bills come to him from conference. In his Winona speech Taft declared the bill "indefensible" and many democrats believed he would sign the Underwood measure as it was changed. Republican regular, however, urged differently. That there is real danger that the two measures will pass over the veto is seen in the haste with which Dwight acted today.

Washington, August 4.—The sight of a democratic house and a republican senate passing the tariff revision bills over the expected presidential veto, is predicted by leaders today. It is believed that the Underwood cotton revision bill which passed the house last night, will not pass the senate because the southern democrats are disinclined to take it up at present. It is freely predicted, however, that a coalition of the democrats and republican progressive, which passed the wool revision and the farmers' free list bill will hold together and probably be strong enough to pass these measures over Taft's veto.

Standpatters are canvassing the house and senate for pledges against the bill.

Would Not Regret It if Taft Refused

Eastern Oregon woolgrowers would prefer not to see the La Follette wool bill become a law and they will not mourn if President Taft vetoes that bill, according to Dan P. Smythe, secretary of the state association, according to the Pendleton East Oregonian. In the view of Smythe, and also of other wool men, both among the growers and the buyers, the La Follette bill is not objectionable within itself. But they do not believe the passage of the bill would end the demand for a further reduction in the woolen schedule. They are afraid that the democrats at the regular session will demand a still further reduction.

Accordingly the woolgrowers share President Taft's ideas that all legislation relating to the wool schedule should be withheld until the tariff board can make its report. If this course is taken they say there is hope that the matter of the tariff on wool may be adjusted "once and for all," so as to stop further agitation. It is the uncertainty that does the harm, according to the growers.

Jewish Chautauqua in the West.

San Francisco, Cal., August 4.—The first summer assembly ever held by the Jewish Chautauqua society in this part of the country opened here today and will continue in session until next Tuesday. Among the prominent speakers to be heard are Dr. William Rosenau of Baltimore, Dr. Henry Berkowitz of Philadelphia and Israel Cowen of Chicago.

ITALIAN STEALS GIRL AND POSSE PURSUES.

Richmond, Cal., August 4.—Spurred by the belief that Elma Steurs, aged 14, has been abducted and possibly murdered, the Richmond police force, headed by Chief Arnold today engaged in a manhunt for Tony Silivera, a suspected Italian. It is believed that if overtaken he will do battle and the police fear he will kill the girl before surrendering.

LODGE OFFICER ACCUSED.

Woodmen of the World Auxiliary Funds Misspent, Say Charges.

St. Paul, August 4.—Alleging gross mismanagement and misappropriation of funds, charged against a Woodmen of the World auxiliary in Minneapolis today by Minneapolis women with the commission of insurance of Minnesota.

WAR CLOUDS AT BERLIN THICKEN

NO SUCCESS COMES OF EFFORTS TO REACH AGREEMENT.

Russia as Mediator Turns Encouragement on Pessimism.

Berlin, August 4.—With Russia as a mediator, reports this afternoon say that prospects for a settlement of the Franco-German embroglio are brighter than they were this morning.

Conference Has Failed.

Berlin, August 4.—That the Moroccan negotiations instead of progressing satisfactorily have come to an actual standstill, is the statement of the German press today. The tone is decidedly pessimistic. The National Gazette which is close to diplomatic circles says negotiations are not progressive and that there is little hope they will end satisfactorily. It is intimated that a ministerial crisis is near.

Foresees Certain War.

New York, August 4.—England is firmly convinced that war between France and England on one side and Germany on the other, is sure to come soon, according to James Beck, former United States district attorney general, who has returned from abroad.

DEMANDS \$10,000,000 OF MORGAN

Financier Has "Demander" Thrown Into the Street by Force.

New York, August 4.—When Percy Passmore of Long Island walked into the offices of Pierpont Morgan and calmly demanded \$10,000,000 today, the general financier crooked his finger and husky attendants threw Passmore into the streets. Passmore said he intended to "hurt" someone. Brainstorm sharps are examining him this afternoon.

Revenue Cutters Celebrate.

Washington, August 4.—Aboard all craft in the revenue cutter service—wherever stationed—from the Maine coast to Bering sea, ceremonies were held today at noon commemorative of the birth of the service 121 years ago. The celebration, in accordance with custom, includes the hoisting of the ships and the firing of guns and crews on the decks to listen to the reading of the revenue cutter's history.

Kaiser Accepts

Berlin, August 4.—The foreign secretary of the German empire today announced that the emperor had accepted the resignation of the foreign secretary.

GOTHAM CHEERS ADMIRAL TOGO

POLICE USED TO KEEP CROWDS AWAY FROM OLD SEADOG

TOGO AND GAYNOR EXCHANGE OFFICIAL CALL THIS MORNING

Cheers Greet Arrival of Nation's Guest at New York—Will Go to Washington Tomorrow and Be Guest of Diplomatic Circles—Wears Full Dress Japanese Admiralty Uniform.

CROWDS PRESS ADMIRAL

New York, August 4.—Making his way through a crowd so dense that it was necessary to call out the police reserves, Admiral Togo, the nation's guest, and accompanied by a large escort, called upon Mayor Gaynor in the city hall today. He was attired in the full uniform of a Japanese admiral.

Admiral Togo was cheered heartily. Later Mayor Gaynor returned Togo's call at Togo's apartments at the Knickerbocker hotel.

New York, August 4.—Right royal

was the welcome to Admiral Togo when he landed in New York today to begin his brief visit to the United States and Canada on his way home from the coronation in London. The Battery walls and the docks were crowded as the Lusitania, on which Admiral Togo was a passenger, steamed up the bay, and thousands of people were in the vicinity of the pier to cordially welcome the great victor of the battle of the sea of Japan. As the liner passed through the Narrows the forts on either side roared a salute and passing into the harbor the ship was greeted with a blast of whistles from all the craft in the vicinity. Representatives of the civic, naval and military authorities were on hand to greet the visitor. As soon as the customary formalities had been concluded the admiral departed for Washington in company with Assistant Secretary of State Hale and the naval officers who have been detailed to act as his aides. After several days in Washington and Philadelphia Admiral Togo will return to New York for a stay of five or six days, during which time he is to be the guest at several notable features of entertainment to be given in his honor.

POISON PROVES SERIOUS

Mrs Ernest Morgan in Critical Condition as Result of Poisoning.

Blind since Monday, her body terribly swollen, and suffering much pain as the result of being poisoned by working in her garden where she came in contact with a poisonous weed, Mrs. Ernest Morgan of North La Grande is today showing slight evidence of improvement from her very critical condition of the present week. Relatives called here from Pendleton returned this morning but Mrs. Morgan is still in a critical condition. Her arms and face are badly swollen, use of her eyes being removed by the swollen face. He cousin, Walter McCormack, the Pendleton auto dealer, was called here a few days ago when Mrs. Morgan's life was despaired of. Her friends will be pleased to know that there is a trifle improved this evening.

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