



TAFT IS ALIGNED WITH INSURGENTS

Cummins Wants General Slash.

MANUFACTURES DUTY TOO HIGH

Tariff Should Come Down as Well as on Materials.

RESULT OF CONFERENCE

Leader of Senate Insurgents Pokes Holes in Steel, Lumber and Other Schedules—Good Hope of an Early Agreement on Bill.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Emphasizing the importance of insisting on reductions in the duties upon manufactures as well as on raw material, Senator Cummins of Iowa late today made public a statement which is accepted as representing the view of a majority of the progressive Senators. Mr. Cummins had consulted two hours with the President, and an exchange of views had passed between Mr. Cummins and others of the ten who voted against the tariff bill in the Senate.

Progressives With Taft.

"I endorse every word of the statement recently made by the President," said Mr. Cummins. "While it is of the utmost importance that iron, oil, hides and coal be dealt with as proposed by the President, it is of still greater importance that the duties on manufactured products shall be brought down somewhere near the protective point.

"Those who have been contending for lower duties can afford to surrender a part of their just demands if they can, in the main, obtain the reductions that insure the people against undue prices in the chief commodities of commerce."

Duty on Structural Steel Raised.

Mr. Cummins then outlined his principal objections to the bill as it left the Senate.

"Structural iron and steel, the use of which is so rapidly increasing," he said, "is raised from the Dingley rate of 15 per cent and the House rate of 16 per cent to 18 per cent ad valorem, which at the present price of this commodity means a duty of \$18 per ton, an increase over the present duty of \$6 per ton and over the House provision of \$10 per ton.

"When it is considered that the duty on steel rails is \$3.50 per ton and their market price is \$28 per ton, the proposed duty upon a form of steel which sells for \$35 per ton is wholly indefensible. Free iron ore is a very desirable thing, but when the weight of the consumer is taken into account, it would be vastly better, if a fair rate can be secured on but one of these items, to allow the duty on iron ore to go at 25 cents a ton and cut the duty on structural steel to 15 or 16 per cent, where it would furnish protection for the home producers.

Cut Dressed Lumber Rate.

"In the lumber schedule, if both rough and dressed are not free, as they ought to be, the House rate of 11 on rough lumber should be preserved and the differential upon dressed lumber should begin at 25 cents per thousand and not go beyond 40 cents per thousand.

"In the paper schedule the House rate of 43 per ton on print paper, without the possibility of increasing it by a countervailing duty, and free wood pulp, also protecting against a countervailing duty, should be insisted upon.

"In the cotton schedules, the Senate increases from beginning to end should be rejected and I believe the people might be willing to stand for the House rates, barring, of course, the hosiery increase.

Woolen Rates All Wrong.

"The woolen schedule is manifestly wrong; and the artificial and arbitrary plan of eliminating the relation between unwashed and unwashed wool is grossly absurd. The woolgrowers are sacrificed in order to give undue protection to the worsted wool manufacturer. The whole schedule is so indefensible that a readjustment seems imperative, even though to accomplish it the conference report be voted down and the bill brought before the Senate again for amendment."

CONFERENCES OF FACTIONS

Talk of Concessions on All Hands Indicates Agreement.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Today was one of conferences and concluded with a consultation at the White House tonight, participated in by the President, Senator Aldrich and Representative Payne, at which the chief Executive was aware of that harmonious settlement of the differences is likely.

The Senators opposed to the free raw material programme were consulted today by Mr. Aldrich, and a committee representing the same position on the House side conferred with Chairman Payne. In addition, the House conferees met to have the experts of the Senate finance committee explain the Senate changes in the cotton schedule.

It is evident that the President, by informing the conferees that the dis-

PATTEN REMAINS BULL ON WHEAT

BUYS LIBERALLY AND CAUSES RECOVERY IN PRICES.

After Encouraging Bears by Sale of 4,000,000 Bushels, He Booms Price Again.

CHICAGO, July 22.—(Special.)—James A. Patten is still a bull on wheat. He said so today, and gave a demonstration of his belief by being the best buyer in the market at the break which was reported on early trades today. It was his position in the market which gave other buyers courage and caused a timely recovery in prices, just when 90 per cent of the trade expected the market to go to pieces.

The occasion for extreme bearishness on the part of the trade was the fact that the Patten house sold out about 4,000,000 bushels of wheat yesterday for September and December, and this gave rise to belief that the bull leader had decided to retire from active trade for a time and let the market take care of itself.

There is a story that Mr. Patten sold out his big lines of wheat yesterday because he found that the Armour people were inclined to unload a big line of 15,000,000 bushels of September wheat every time a little advance was forced in the market.

ITALIANS MADE SLAVES

Southern Employers' Treatment Raise Storm in Italy.

ROME, July 22.—(Special.)—The Italian press is greatly excited by communications from the Southern States of America, declaring that the condition of Italians there is alarming. They say that an industrial crisis has been reached and that some of the landowners treat their employes almost like slaves.

The press here strongly disapproves Italian emigration to those states, advising people to go to the Northern States or to Canada. The statement is made that hundreds of thousands of Italians are stranded in America or are working for wages lower than those obtainable at home. Newspapers are asking the government to take energetic steps to secure more efficient protection of Italian labor through American laws and to provide for repatriation of such honest, ill-treated Italian subjects as are willing to work.

CHAMPAGNE LEADS TO JAIL

Two Men Who Spend \$445 for Wine Held on Larceny Charge.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 22.—The lavish expenditure of money for champagne by William White and W. R. Stockwell, of Rock Creek, led to the arrest of the two men at Laramie today and the recovery of a large sum of money believed by officers to have been secured by robbers several years ago in a Union Pacific train robbery at Wilcox.

The arrests followed a spree during which the two men spent \$445 for wine, while later depositing \$400 in a Laramie bank. White said he found the money in a glass jar buried in the cellar of William Hayler's residence. All the money is gold coin, and bears dates many years back.

White will fight the charge of grand larceny, saying that Taylor knew nothing of the money and that it was a legitimate find.

DOG STOWS AWAY IN CAR

Load of Potatoes From Stockton Has Strange Passenger.

A carload of California potatoes, consigned to R. F. Hosking, a produce broker, was received at the terminal yards yesterday, and when the car was opened, much to the amazement of the yardmen, a handsome Scotch collie dog leaped to the ground.

The car came from Stockton, and was seven days on the trip. There was neither food nor water in the car, yet the animal seemed none the worse for its long imprisonment.

Whether the dog strayed into the car just before it was closed, or was put there by some one who wanted to get rid of it, there was no way of finding out.

Mr. Hosking took it to his home and will keep it until he hears from Stockton.

HORSE KICK MAY BE FATAL

La Grande Woman Suffers From Blow Over Heart.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 22.—(Special.)—While driving an unruly horse yesterday afternoon, Edward Woodell, a well-known young man of this valley, was kicked in the side and his companion, Miss Parks, was kicked in the breast.

Woodell will recover, but the condition of Miss Parks, who was struck just over the heart, is uncertain. The physicians refuse to make a positive assertion for another 24 hours.

Woodell retained control of the animal and drove the girl to medical assistance.

WHERE DID BULLET STRIKE SUTTON?

Witnesses Disagree on Crucial Point.

DOCTOR SAYS IT WAS FATAL

Possible for Sutton to Have Fired Shot Himself.

MYSTERY ABOUT PISTOLS

None of Officers Want to Admit Having Them—Dozen Says Sutton Was Unpopular Among Other Marine Officers.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., July 22.—The variance in the testimony of some of the marine officers who are witnesses before the court of inquiry investigating the death of Lieutenant James N. Sutton, was emphasized at today's hearing by contradictory evidence as to the location of the bullet wound which caused the young Oregonian's death. This question has assumed importance, as it appears that it would have been much more difficult for Sutton to shoot himself with three men on top of him, if the bullet entered the top of his skull, as Surgeon George Pickersell, who was in charge of the Naval Academy Hospital, testified it did.

Colonel Charles A. Doyen, commandant of marines, testified that he examined Sutton's body immediately after the shooting, felt the wound in the right side, a little behind and on a line with the top of the ear. Dr. Pickersell thought Sutton might have inflicted the wound upon himself.

What Became of Revolvers?

Mr. Davis, counsel for Sutton's mother and sister, finished the cross-examination of Lieutenant Willing, who was on the stand yesterday.

Mr. Davis tried to find out from all the witnesses today what became of Sutton's two revolvers after the shooting. Colonel Doyen testified that he saw them and ordered Lieutenant Willing to take charge of them, but he did not know what became of the weapons until they finally got into his hands at the inquest.

It was apparent that none of the officers wanted to assume the responsibility of having the weapons about him immediately after the shooting.

Sergeant James DeHart, of the Marine Corps, testified that some officer at the scene of the shooting handed him a revolver with the curt command to "take this." It was dark and he could not see who the officer was. DeHart soon afterward threw the revolver into the bushes on his way to the barracks and, on going out to look for it next morning, could not find it.

DeHart created considerable amusement.

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CHINATOWN WILL NOT SHOW VICES

SIX COMPANIES FORBID IT, FOR CHINESE "LOSE FACE."

White Tourists Not Admitted and Spread Sorrow Among Guides to Sights.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 22.—(Special.)—The Chinese Six Companies have put an end to exploiting Celestias vice by San Francisco Chinatown guides, and Eastern and foreign tourists will no longer be able to see the Mongolian indulging in the delights of opium dreams or gambling at fan-tan and other games.

Leaders of the Six Companies declare that this vulgar system of putting Chinatown on exhibition for tourists has made Chinese lose reputation, and they propose to stop it. So an edict has gone forth that white tourists will not be admitted to any places, not even to theaters and restaurants.

This is a heavy blow to Chinatown guides, who have waxed fat on the fee of \$2 which they have charged. These guides are enterprising fellows, as they organized a regular system of shows by the Chinese. The opium-smokers, gamblers, blind paupers, singing children and other curiosities were all hired at so much per week, and the whole thing was a fake provided for tourist consumption.

WAR IN SOUTH NOT LIKELY

Bolivia and Peru Reported Ready to Compromise on Boundary.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—There is a prospect of an immediate adjustment of the difference between Argentina and Bolivia.

The governments of Bolivia and Peru, the latter the beneficiary of the boundary award, have mutually agreed to open negotiations directly with each other and without the intervention of another nation, in the hope of arranging a modification of the Argentine territorial award which will be satisfactory to all parties concerned.

FEAR LOG RAFT IS LOST

Tug Sea Rover With 4,000,000 Feet From Astoria Missing.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., July 22.—The non-arrival of the tug Sea Rover, towing a raft of 4,000,000 feet of lumber, is causing some concern. The Sea Rover with the raft left Astoria July 14, two days ahead of the tug Hercules, which arrived here last Tuesday with the first raft of the season.

The Sea Rover has not been sighted since leaving Astoria, and it is thought it has been carried far out to sea by a storm.

HAD ONLY "BEER INCOME"

But "Champagne Appetite" Got Officer in Trouble, Says Court.

DENVER, July 22.—"A champagne appetite with a beer income" was attributed to Captain Clarence S. Nettles, retired, by Judge Advocate Johnson today in the closing moments of the Army officer's trial before a court-martial on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer in contracting excessive debts.

The court concluded its deliberations today and reached a verdict, which has been forwarded to Washington.

BRIAND CHOSEN AS FRENCH PREMIER

More Socialist Than Predecessor.

CABINET MAY BE SHORT LIVED

Opponents Predict Briand Will Be in Minority.

ENEMIES ON BOTH SIDES

Man Who Divorced Church and State Will Rule France if He Can Get Backing—Must Unite Factions to Get Success.

PARIS, July 22.—Aristide Briand, scholar, orator and avowed Socialist, was summoned to the Elysee Palace tonight and asked to reconstruct the Clemenceau cabinet. M. Briand promised his answer tomorrow, stating that unless he could unite the Republican groups he would go no further.

President Fallieres intended to make the first offer of the Premiership to Leon Bourgeois, ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs, but the delay in M. Bourgeois' arrival in Paris induced the President to save time by offering the Premiership direct to M. Briand, who already is consulting with his colleagues regarding the construction of a new cabinet. This, it is expected, will be effected by the shifting of some of the portfolios and the retention of all the ministers except MM. Piquart, Picard and Milles-Lacroix, respectively Ministers of War, Navy and colonies. The programme of the retiring government will be adopted.

Opposition From Both Sides.

Considerable opposition to M. Briand developed, especially among the more conservative Senators and Radicals, on the ground that the selection of a Socialist at the head of the government would be equivalent to proclaiming the bankruptcy of the Radicals. Sixty Radical Socialists, headed by Deputy Dubief, have voted not to support any but a cabinet headed by a Radical or a Radical-Socialist. Predictions are freely made tonight that M. Briand will fail in his efforts to form a ministry that can command a majority.

More Socialist Than Ever.

Should M. Briand succeed in forming a cabinet, as his friends believe he will, the tendencies of the new ministry will be distinctly more Socialistic than those of the outgoing cabinet. M. Briand opposes the dissolution of the revolutionary General Federation of Labor, which M. Clemenceau favored, and M. Barthelemy, Minister of Public Works, and M. Vivian, Minister of Lateral before a court-martial on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer in contracting excessive debts.

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FAME.



PRIEST WINS IN RACE WITH DEATH

HURLED FROM HORSE, FATHER SCRAMBLES TO DYING MAN.

Last Sacraments Are Administered, Then Doctors Look After Pastor's Injuries.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 22.—(Special.)—A thrilling race with death was ridden and won by Father McKinnon, of Nelson Roman Catholic Church, a few days ago, when Almee Amicon, an employe of the Trail smelter fell into a vat of acid, receiving such injuries that immediate death was inevitable. The doctors said Amicon might live half an hour, and the unfortunate man asked for the priest.

Father McKinnon got the message at Nelson and forthwith applied to Henderson Bros' livery for their fastest mount. He was given the racehorse boarder, Oregon John, with which he started for Trail at a hard gallop, taking a new short cut, reducing the distance to eight miles by going diagonally down the mountain.

Here the horse ran away, the priest hanging on until thrown, within a few hundred yards from Trail Hospital. He sustained a broken rib and many bruises, but paid no attention to them until he had comforted the dying man and administered the last sacrament. Amicon died three minutes later.

The priest's ride stands as a record, lasting just 19 minutes.

DISHRAG IS BRITISH FLAG

Wife's Insult Is More Than Loyal Briton Can Stand.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 22.—(Special.)—"Whatever I may have done because of my wife's patriotic feelings was merely in retaliation for her insults to my King and country," said John Francis Black, the loyal son of Britannia, whose wife has sued for divorce because he would not allow her to celebrate the Fourth of July. Mr. Black is the proprietor of a musty little shop in West Seattle.

"But what I did or what my wife did is not the business of the public nor the newspapers," continued the loyal Briton. "I am frank to say I find the American newspaper the most despicable of all American institutions. Nothing is so sacred but what it is spread before the rabble."

"What if I did prohibit any celebration of the Fourth of July in my house? My wife destroyed a picture of the King and tore a British Union Jack into rags, using the remnants for washing dishes. She constantly insulted my country, ridiculed my King and English institutions, and what I said was merely in defense."

TRAIN TUMBLES IN CREEK

One Man Killed, One Fatally Injured, N. P. Track Blocked.

DURANT, Mont., July 22.—A big molar engine pulling a westbound Northern Pacific freight train left the rails this morning while on the down grade near here, taking 16 cars with it. All landed a mass of wreckage in a creek bed 30 feet below.

J. D. Thomas, head brakeman, was killed. His body is still buried beneath the debris. J. L. Roberts, of Butte, sustained fatal injuries. Fireman T. E. Drury and Rear Brakeman S. E. Burton both were injured, the latter slightly. Engineer Sam Hicks escaped with barely a scratch and immediately rescued his fireman.

It will be necessary for the company to construct a temporary track around the wreckage to avoid prolonged interference with traffic. A dozen tramps in a boxcar had a narrow escape when the train took its plunge.

SHEARS ALMOST COST LIFE

Victoria Editor Is Stabbed in Wrist and Artery Severed.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 22.—(Special.)—Charles L. Armstrong, news editor of the Evening Post, narrowly escaped death this morning at his desk, his hand being accidentally impaled at the wrist on the blade of the editorial shears and the arteries being severed. So that, had not members of the staff immediately improvised tourniquets, he would have quickly bled to death.

One of his co-workers was chatting with him at the desk, shears in hand, when Armstrong carelessly threw out his hand, which was transfixed. Dr. Frank Hall improved on the first-aid administered and had the sufferer on the operating table at St. Joseph's Hospital to take up the severed arteries within 20 minutes of the accident's occurrence. Unless the unforeseen intervenes no permanent disability will result.

DRIFT SEAWARD FIGHTING

Two Men Last Seen in Furious Combat in Fishing Boat.

ASTORIA, Or., July 22.—(Special.)—As the Quartermaster's Department launch Antona Springer was en route to Fort Stevens this morning, a fishing boat containing two men put out from shore near Hammond. Nothing unusual was noticed until the fishing craft reached the middle of the river, when the two occupants began to fight, each apparently trying to throw the other overboard. At times the men disappeared in the bottom of the boat and once the larger man was seen striking the other with a fish club.

HURRICANE LEAVES DEATH AND RUINS

Twelve Dead, Four Dying Along Gulf.

SIXTEEN SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Meager Reports From Devastated District Coming In.

MANY TOWNS SWEEP AWAY

Eagle Lake, Elcamo and Bay City Little More Than Mass of Ruins. Damage at Galveston Fortunately Not Great.

HOUSTON, Tex., July 22.—The West Indian hurricane that swept from one end of the Texas coast to the other yesterday brought death to 13 outside of Galveston, fatally injured four and seriously wounded 16. Whole towns were devastated and the damage will reach to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Passenger trains, from 12 to 15 hours late, reached Houston today. Freight trains are lost throughout the stricken district. Details are meager, as wires were stripped from the poles, and railway communication is impossible.

Parties Reported Safe.

The pleasure yacht Meriam, reported lost in the Houston channel, is safe at Morgan Point.

Bishop D. H. Hayne and Rev. Mr. Sears, of Houston, who were reported last night as lost at Red Fish Reef, in San Jacinto Bay, have arrived at Morgan's Point.

At Bay City half the business section was damaged, including the opera-house, one bank, the courthouse, high school and the city jail.

Every building in Velasco was unroofed or partly demolished and that town tonight was under four feet of water. People escaped in boats on the Colorado River, a mile away.

Lower Coast Devastated.

Reports from the special train on which General Manager W. G. Van Vleet, of the Southern Pacific, left Houston today, indicate that the lower coast country suffered greatly at Eagle Lake escaped.

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