

### SENATE OFFERS WITH PRESIDENT

#### Committee on Foreign Relations Seeks to Amend Arbitration Treaties Contrary to Mr. Taft's Wishes

### COMMISSION CLAUSE IS OBJECTED TO

#### Incidentally Ambassador Bryce's Criticism of Senate in "American Commonwealth" is Brought in View

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Disregarding a telegraphed request from President Taft for a contrary course, the senate committee on foreign relations today agreed upon an amendment to the British and French arbitration treaties, eliminating the provision conferring special powers on the proposed joint high commission. On this form the treaties were reported to the senate, and the president's wishes that the action be postponed until next December were set at naught.

The senate gave two hours to consideration of the treaties, during which the danger of Old World dominance on any joint high commission was discussed. Incidentally, there was much talk about a criticism upon the senate committee in the "American Commonwealth," written by Ambassador Bryce long before he ever thought of coming to this country on a diplomatic mission. In that work, Mr. Bryce attacked the senate on the ground that it kept diplomatic trouble alive so long as there was any political advantage to be gained by so doing. Whether the opposition to ratifying the treaties unamended comes from the ground of these utterances by one of the principal signers of the convention between this country and Great Britain was not manifested.

Before leaving Washington President Taft had made strong representations to individual members of the committee, urging as vitally important the retention of the provision giving to the joint high commission the power to determine disputed questions without reference to the senate.

Both President Taft and Secretary Knox have taken the position that the paragraph which the committee on foreign relations proposes to amend is necessary to the proper operation of the agreement. The president gave senators to understand that he would not yield without a struggle, and his friends expressed their opinion that he would not prefer the failure of the treaties rather than ratification with the paragraph eliminated.

There is much mystery about the way in which the new ambassador Bryce, as expressed in his book, were brought into the present controversy. Each member of the foreign relations committee received in today's mail a neatly printed two-page pamphlet quoting an extract from "The American Commonwealth" in which the opinion was expressed that a minority in the senate usually controls the action of that body, and that the will of the majority, in a "narrow, sectional, electioneering spirit."

In this connection was a reference to the fact that under the constitution a two-thirds majority of the senate is necessary to the ratification of treaties with foreign powers.

Both in committee and in the senate the character of the senate in Mr. Bryce's work was referred to as indicating a hostile disposition on the part of the ambassador towards the senate's exercise of its functions of ratification. This was expressed by several that Mr. Bryce's views had had an undue influence in the formation of the treaty. It became evident during the discussion that this criticism of the senate was not a matter of which it was written without any possible reference to the present contingency, would be used against favorable action upon the treaty by the senate. Some of the opponents of the treaty in the form in which it was presented, went so far as to suggest that the circular had been distributed among senators by friends of the treaties with a view to sustaining the president's own position.

The question of the British ambassador's former attitude was referred to at some length in the senate by Mr. O'Gorman, the new senator from New York, who pointed out the possible danger that might arise through a complete yielding to the views of an Old World diplomat. Mr. O'Gorman did not indicate any positive opposition to the treaties, however.

To meet the desire for more information, Senator Burnes entered a motion, which the senate adopted, directing the committee on foreign relations to prepare a written report giving the fullest possible information.

Both in committee and in the senate it was expressed that the ratification of the treaties would have the effect of throwing open the door of arbitration to all the questions involved in dealing with such Oriental nations as China and Japan and involving immigration and admission to the public schools.

Senator Borah moved the cancellation of the paragraph conferring extra

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### MINERS IMPRISONED

#### Party of Rescuers Working Desperately to Release Three of Their Comrades

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Aug. 12.—Working in regular and constantly urged on by faint tapings, a large party of rescuers is frantically digging tonight into a mountain of coal and rock to rescue three anthracite coal miners who were caught behind a heavy fall of rock roof about four o'clock Friday afternoon in the East colliery, near Ashland.

When the fall occurred, it was believed the men had been crushed to death, and the mine officials set about in the ordinary way to dig out the bodies. Work was in progress, loud tapings were heard. Investigation convinced the mine officials that it came from the men caught in the fall, and extra help was quickly summoned.

Whether only one or all three of the men are alive cannot be determined. Mine officials late today said they hoped to reach the men alive tomorrow morning.

The three imprisoned men are John Dolan, a miner, married, with five children, and Anthony Thomassan and Theodore Sebelusky, laborers.

### Some Mines Flooded

NOME, Alaska, Aug. 12.—Heavy rains of the last few days have flooded the Bessie and Sundal mines on the third beach. Reports received from Squirrel river show that the strike there is rich, running \$50 to the pan.

### Cholera in France

PARIS, Aug. 12.—There is some apprehension regarding cholera in France, but up to the present no bacteriological evidence has been reported, except at Marseilles, where there are thirty-four cases.

### Spokane Murder

SPOKANE, Aug. 12.—Louis E. Vetterman, brewmaster of the Inland Empire Brewing company, was murdered in the hearing of his wife and daughter, at 10 o'clock tonight at sixth avenue and Walnut street, while on his way home. It is not known definitely whether the crime was the result of a holdup or an ambush. The wife saw two men run up an alley after the killing, and heard the victim groan her name.

### TARIFF REVISION IN CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Tariff revision legislation moved swiftly toward ratification today toward the expected presidential veto. The complete conference agreement on the wool bill was reported to the house with a view to final action by that body through adoption of the conference report on Monday.

The free list bill, discussed in committee as a matter subsidiary to the wool measure, was disagreed to, as were its two chief amendments, the wool amendment adding lemons to the free list and the Kern senate amendment limiting free meat and cereal products to those countries with which the United States has reciprocal trade. All the other amendments were accepted. This disagreement will be reported to both houses on Monday with a view to another vote in the senate on the Kern amendment and the house on the lemon amendment.

The cotton bill was discussed without action in the senate.

Democratic leaders said today that the adjournment of congress would come within a week or ten days.

There was little argument in conference over the free list amendments. On the motion of Chairman Underwood, the house conference committee agreed to the senate amendments putting binders, cement and all kinds of boots and shoes on the free list; and instructed that a disagreement on the other amendments be reported to the house and senate on Monday.

The result will be to force another vote in the senate on the Kern amendment and in the house on the lemon amendment. Following such action, the bill probably will again go to conference and an agreement on it is confidently predicted.

Over the objections of Republicans, the house today received the conference report on the wool tariff revision bill and ordered it printed preparatory to a vote on Monday.

### New Wheat in Market

WINNIPEG, Aug. 12.—The first crop of new wheat was received on the Winnipeg market today. It is from Southern Manitoba and grades No. 1 hard and average 2 1/2 bushels to the acre. The berry is firm and large, with no evidence of rust. The farmer, near Carman, who shipped the car, has 300 acres and the whole is declared to be equally as good. It weighs above the average and is considered a fair indication of the Manitoba crop. Today the weather is hot and clear all over the prairie provinces, with harvesting becoming general. The ship-ment today was consigned to the Ogilvie Milling company.

### LIBERAL SPLIT IN EDMONTON

#### Hon. Frank Oliver Declares That He Will Not Recognize Convention Called by Rutherford Faction

### MINISTER TIED TO HIS DISTRICT

#### Conservatives in Saskatchewan Showing Activity—Candidates Selected in Many Eastern Counties

EDMONTON, Alta., August 12.—Frank Oliver has repudiated the so-called Edmonton Liberal convention of August 13. This afternoon he made the following statement:

"I have no intention of recognizing the so-called Liberal convention to be held in the city on August 16. The well recognized method of calling nominating conventions in Alberta is under the authority of the provincial executive. Conventions have already been called in this section for the selection of candidates for the contest in four out of the seven Alberta constituencies, and in two of them nominations have already been made. In due course, no doubt, such a convention will be called for the Edmonton electoral district. When it is held I will be glad to submit my name as a candidate for nomination. In the meantime, I do not propose to pay any attention to a special arrangement made to secure endorsement for the candidature of any certain man, even though it be called a convention.

"I may say that I do not think the efforts to defeat the Liberal cause in the Edmonton district by holding a bogus convention will succeed."

Addressing an organization meeting, Mr. Oliver said that inasmuch as he was the Minister of the Interior, the other constituencies of Western Canada looked to him for support, but owing to the conditions in the Edmonton constituency he would be compelled to spend more of his time here than he otherwise would.

### Many Nominations

TORONTO, Aug. 12.—A number of conventions were held in Ontario this afternoon, the following candidates being nominated:

East Middlesex—Liberal, Dr. George Routledge; Conservative, Peter Elson, late member.

Westminster—Liberal, W. O. Sealey, late member; Conservative, G. C. Wilson, M. P.

North Essex—Conservative, O. J. Wilcox, late member.

Prince Edward—Liberal, Morley Currie, late member.

North Ontario—Liberal, H. M. Morgan; Conservative, S. H. Sharpe, late member.

Victoria and Haliburton—Liberal, J. B. Egan.

Glengarry—Liberal—A. A. McMillan, late member.

East Hastings—Conservative, W. B. Northrup, K. C. late member.

South Perth—Liberal, C. H. McIntyre, late member; Conservative, Dr. Steele.

North Norfolk—Conservative, Alexander Miram.

North Lanark—Liberal, W. B. Caldwell.

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### CLAIM SALVAGE ON CORNWALL

#### Owners of Halifax Wrecking Steamer Expected to Ask Compensation for Helping in Her Release

### COMPLICATION DUE TO NIOBE MISHAP

HALIFAX, Aug. 12.—Consequent on the grounding of H. M. S. Cornwall last Monday, a big claim for salvage. When it was reported that the Cornwall was aground, the wrecking steamer Bridgewater was first to reach the warship, and had a bawser on her in quick time some time after the Bridgewater got there. The steamer Lady Laurie appeared on the scene, and by the efforts of these craft there is no doubt the Cornwall was saved from much damage. Had the Cornwall been forced further on the rocks by the strong flood tide and remained there till the tide had fallen it would have been more serious for her. The Bridgewater owners are reported to be putting in a claim for services rendered the Cornwall.

### GIRL DISAPPEARS

#### Miss Hall, Twenty of Toronto, Leaves Parents' Residence at Berkeley and Fails to Return

BERKELEY, Cal., Aug. 12.—The disappearance of Miss Lois Hall, 20 years old, from her home here, was reported to the police tonight by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hall. The Hall's came here from Toronto, Ontario, four months ago.

Miss Hall left her mother at a local street intersection, Wednesday, to take a train for Hollister, Cal., where she was to have visited her sister, Mrs. L. C. Hall. The police traced her to a railroad company's uptown office, where she bought a ticket, and asked if she might take a train from the San Francisco side of the bay.

Miss Hall was said to be engaged to marry a Toronto real estate dealer named Fenton, who visited at the Hall home about two weeks ago, and left here for Victoria.

The girl had little money beyond the amount used in buying her ticket. She was 5 feet 6 inches tall, wore a blue serge suit, black ties, and a big brown leghorn hat, turned up front and back, and with a high bow at the back. She had brown hair and black eyes and was pretty.

### Entertainment for Canadians

LONDON, Aug. 12.—A heavy social programme has been arranged for the Canadian artillery. On August 10 Lord Strathmore dined the officers at the "White City," Shepherd's Bush. Other visits include Teddington, Bushy Park, Hampton Court, Richmond, Windsor, Portsmouth and Isle of Wight.

### C.P.R. Men May Strike

WINNIPEG, Aug. 12.—It is reported here that the C.P.R. machinists, boiler-makers, blacksmiths, carmen and helpers from West William to Vancouver may strike on Monday. The men here voted on the question at 4 o'clock this afternoon, and similar voting is being held throughout the western system. The company recently granted its employees eight per cent increase, two and a half cents an hour, to take effect September 1, but the men demand that it go into force from April 1.

### Strike is Costly

LONDON, Aug. 12.—London is almost itself again today. A few hours after the official announcement that the strike had been settled last night supplies were rushed out to replenish the empty markets and stores. It is estimated that the week's strike of the dockmen and carriers has cost the metropolis at least \$7,500,000.

### Wheat Harvest General

BRANDON, Man., Aug. 12.—Farmers attending the Liberal convention from all over Brandon electorate division, say that cutting is general in nearly all localities, and from those visiting here a single complaint was heard about damage to crops. Some reports of rust was heard, but little or no damage is expected.

### Private Clifford

MONTREAL, Aug. 12.—Private W. J. Clifford of Toronto, hero of the Canadian Prize team and winner of the King's Biscuit and Prince of Wales' prize, arrived here today aboard the Victoria, bringing with him \$400 in prize money and a room full of cups and medals. He will proceed to Toronto Monday night, where a civic reception will be tendered to him.

### AVIATORS FALL WITHOUT INJURY

#### Series of Accidents at Chicago Meet Disable Three Aeroplanes, But Operators Escape Unhurt

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—A series of accidents that put three aeroplanes out of commission without injuring their drivers, together with an overcast sky that threatened to develop into a down-pour of rain at any minute, did not serve to mar the success of the opening of the international aviation meet here. No records were broken in today's events.

Arthur B. Stone and his mechanic, in a Queen monoplane, suffered the most serious accident, their fall resembling that in which Mottus met his death. The men had risen to a height of 45 feet when a sudden gust of wind struck the car, and both men fell under the aeroplane, but missed the engine and escaped practically unhurt.

Almost immediately afterwards, Frank Coffey, by a backward swoop, struck the monoplane in which Rene Stipon was rising, disabling Simon's car so it could not be used.

### ALASKA STEAM MILL BURNED

VALDEZ, Alaska, Aug. 12.—The steam mill and power plant of the Cliff mine were destroyed by fire late today, with a loss of \$12,000. The boilers were saved and the stumps are probably uninjured. Orders for new equipment were cabled to Seattle, and the mill will be rebuilt as soon as possible. It will probably be ninety days before the mill can resume operations. Pending the rebuilding of the mill a temporary pump-plant will be installed, and operations in the mine will be continued. The ore will be shipped outside until the new mill is in operation.

### GLASGOW STRIKE PROVES FATAL

#### Five Persons Killed in Collision of Street Cars Caused by Assault on Strike-Breaking Crew

### TROOPS ARE SENT INTO THE CITY

#### Detachment of Scots Greys Effects Removal of Goods in Liverpool—Loss Caused by London Strike

GLASGOW, Aug. 12.—Serious rioting marked the progress of the strike of the employees of the municipal street car lines today. Five persons were killed, the police and strikers and non-striker strike breakers being in almost constant conflict, and tonight all persons are being driven off the streets by the authorities.

The persons who lost their lives were killed in a collision due to strike breakers losing control of a car when attacked by a mob. It crashed into another, both being demolished. Troops are being sent into the city, and the local magistrates have been ordered to read the riot act if necessary.

### Troops Overaw Crowd

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 12.—Armed with sabres and carbines and furnished with ball-cartridges, a strong detachment of the Royal Scots Greys effected the removal today of goods which have been tied up at the central depots by the striking dockmen and carriers.

Six hundred tons of foodstuffs were moved in one procession, which was accompanied by magistrates, who were mounted as they rode along they carried in their hands copies of the riot act.

The strikers looked on sullenly, but showed no disposition for a conflict with the soldiers.

### Steel Inquiry Halts for Time

#### Messrs. Andrew Carnegie and J. P. Morgan to be Called as Witnesses When Sitings are Resumed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Inquiry into the affairs of the United States Steel corporation by a special committee of the House of Representatives, which has been in session since May, halted today. The committee voted a recess until October 6, but it is said that no public hearing will be held until a later day.

Several phases of the inquiry are to be developed, and there are still in the list two most important witnesses—Andrew Carnegie and J. P. Morgan. Mr. Carnegie last spring, just before he sailed for Europe, notified the committee that he would be glad to appear in the fall, and it is likely he will be the first witness when the sessions are resumed.

Because of his absence in Europe no subpoena has been issued, but it is almost certain that Mr. Morgan will be summoned later, not only to testify regarding the affairs of the steel corporation and the acquisition of the Tennessee Coal and Iron, but also to aid the committee in formulating recommendations to Congress for legislation, deemed necessary to meet the industrial demands of present day affairs.

During the recess Chairman Stanley is to have headquarters in Washington, where a force of assistants will be with him working up evidence to be submitted at the fall hearings. The matter of control of transportation facilities by the steel corporation has not yet been investigated by the committee. This will be one of the principal features of the future hearings.

Another matter to be probed will be the relations of the International Harvester company with the steel corporation, and arrangements said to exist between them, particularly as to shipping and price differentials.

Today W. C. Temple, of Pittsburg, Penn., who was commissioner of several steel pools, testified. He denied the existence of illegal pools at the present time, and declared that he regarded the United States Steel corporation as a model trust.

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### MR. TAFT DISAPPOINTED

#### Will Still Endeavor to Persuade Senators to Leave Arbitration Treaties Unchanged

BEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 12.—President Taft was disappointed today to learn that the senate foreign relations committee had decided to put the knife to the British and French general arbitration treaties and to report them to the senate in modified form. In spite of the disappointment, he felt over the changes in the treaties, which indicate the probability that they must go over to the next session, the president intends to keep up his fight to have the pacts accepted in full. He has already lined up many senators friendly to the administration, and when he returns to Washington on Monday he will continue his personal campaign.

### Montreal Dispute

OTTAWA, Aug. 12.—The Minister of Labor has established a board of conciliation and investigation to adjust the dispute between the Montreal Street Railway and its employees.

### Congo Natives Rebel

BRUSSELS, Aug. 12.—The entire Oriental provinces of the Congo Free State, according to dispatches received here today, is in revolt. The natives are said to have carried off a Belgian magistrate and are holding him as hostage.

### Fire at Toronto

TORONTO, Aug. 12.—Fire at New Toronto this morning destroyed six houses, causing a loss of \$5,000 to the buildings and \$5,500 to contents. Five of the houses were frame structures rented by workmen, while the other was a pressed brick structure owned by Percy Rilles and valued at about \$4,000.

### Doubtful About Arbitration

LONDON, Aug. 12.—Sir Charles Wright MacArthur, chairman of the committee of the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' association, said today that he did not think that the Canadian arbitration scheme which was proposed by Will Crooks was suitable here. "Anything with the slightest semblance of compulsion should be resented by both working people and employers," he said.

### ANXIOUS OVER POPE'S HEALTH

#### Physicians Not Quite Reassured by Slow Improvement in Condition—Fear Return of Hot Weather

ROME, Italy, Aug. 12.—While the improvement in the condition of Pope Pius has been steady, it also has been slow, and the temperature of the patient remains slightly above normal. The evidence of the pneumonia in the lung is less decreased, but it is troublesome at intervals, and while the swelling of the affected member is less than during the early part of the week, it is of such proportions as to prevent the normal use of the leg. Above all, however, the weakness of the pontiff and the depression that has fallen upon him are far from having been overcome and in the opinion of the physicians is the greatest drawback to his ultimate recovery.

If all goes well, the doctors say, especially if the weather remains cool, two weeks must elapse before the pontiff enters into the period of convalescence. If there should be a return of the excessive heat, serious fears are entertained of a relapse. Their orders are that the patient shall remain within his chamber practically until his bed. That he is permitted now and then to sit in a wicker chair because of a desire to relieve the restlessness which is caused by the pontiff's being compelled to lie for hours in one position. In the opinion of the physician the respiratory organs of the Pope are another possible source of danger. His present illness started with an attack of laryngitis, which also affected the trachea. In addition, his holiness for years has suffered from a species of chronic catarrh which he has neglected to treat.

Today Doctors Petacci and Marchiafava reported that the general temperature still was slightly above normal and the depression continued, a favorable symptom was able to take more nourishment. His holiness remained in bed, saying his leg felt much easier. He seemed stronger than yesterday and suffered less pain. During the afternoon he had a long conversation with Cardinal Merry Del Val, the papal secretary.

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### STIRRING SPEECH AGAINST PACT

#### Premier McBride at Conservative Picnic Strikes Keynote for Campaign to Defeat Reciprocity in B. C.

### ROUSES HIS AUDIENCE TO HIGH ENTHUSIASM

#### Record Crowd Attends Outing at Goldstream and Evinces Keen Interest in Many Able Speeches

In one of the best speeches he has made in this province the Hon. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, aroused a large audience to the utmost enthusiasm yesterday afternoon at Goldstream when he riddled the reciprocity arguments of the Liberal party and struck the keynote of imperial unity and colonial identity. Premier McBride's address was the feature of the fourth and most successful picnic the Conservative Association has yet held.

He spoke from the band stand around which were gathered people from all walks in life, workmen from their wives and families around them, veterans from the Old Men's Home, men from the ranks of business, many of whom had come in automobiles, professional men and ranchers. And as the able premier plied point upon point in heaping up his wall of argument against the policy laid down by the Laurier administration as the main issue of the approaching election, he carried his audience right with him. Cheer after cheer interrupted his discourse. Premier McBride looked at reciprocity from every angle. He attacked it from the standpoint of its sentimental features as well as from the standpoint of its impracticability and he drove his arguments home with an appeal to the people to see the matter in its true light and to realize that reciprocity was but the entering wedge in a rift that would eventually rend asunder the ties that bound Canada to the Motherland. He urged them to stand firm for one king, one country and one empire. In every way it was a worthy and able address.

### Record Picnic Crowd

Better weather for an event such as the picnic of yesterday could not have been made to order. Every train that left the city carried a large quota of citizens bound to Goldstream and by two o'clock at least two thousand people were scattered over the sward at both sides of the roadway near the Goldstream hotel. Besides those who reached the grounds by train scores of people went by automobile, carriages, drag and trolley. The grounds had been prepared by one of the many energetic committees which had the arrangements in hand and which carried the whole affair through to a remarkable success. Boxes of delicious kindo were dished up on either side of the highway and the pretty spot, perched high above the canyon, presented the appearance of a country fair ground. Among the early arrivals were a band of veterans, who assuredly enjoyed the day as much as anyone in all the hundreds who attended. These were twelve residents of the Old Men's Home at Victoria. Special provision was made for them and during the day their wants were looked after by Mr. Guy Walker of Ward two. The old gentlemen arrived on an early train and went straight to the grounds, where they inspected all the attractions and even tried their luck at some of the ball-throwing games. None of them was less than sixty-five and one was well over eighty; yet they gave themselves over to the spirit of the day with the keen enthusiasm of youth and as one of them put it when tired and happy, they were about to leave for home: "It will add ten years to my life." The feature of their day was an unexcelled dinner at the Goldstream hotel at the conclusion of which they rose as one man and gave three cheers for King George and three more for the Conservative Association.

A regret, which was voiced by Mr. Leonard Taft, the able and energetic president of the association in his remarks preliminary to the introduction of the speakers of the afternoon was the absence of kindy, smiling Harry Price, secretary of the association, who was detained at home through illness. Mr. Taft also regretted the fact that

### Will Make Marine Studies

BERLIN, August 12.—In October of this year the German Society for the exploration of Palestine will send an expedition to the Dead Sea to study and investigate what is regarded by marine students as the most remarkable of inland waters. The expedition, which will be under the leadership of Dr. Ludwig