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The Toronto World

British Labor Situation

LIBERAL CONVENTION OPENS

Is Again Becoming Acute

London, Aug. 5.—With the Yorkshire strike still unsettled, the bakers' strike continuing, a number of minor sporadic strikes in other trades in sympathy with the smoldering discontent of the police at the failure of their strike to secure the withdrawal of the police bill, and the possibility of another big railway strike, the labor situation has again become so threatening that it is stated Arthur Henderson, the labor leader, who is attending the socialist conference at Lucerne, has been hurriedly summoned to London.

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IS OFF TO A GOOD START

ABOR UNREST THREATENS INDUSTRIES OF TWO CONTINENTS

will Block Toronto Line.

He also wanted the ratepayers of Guelph to understand that until the city of Guelph had signed the resolution making the city responsible for \$74,000 at 10 per cent. over and above what was voted in 1916, the Hydro radial project in so far as the line from Toronto to London was concerned, would be blocked and no progress could be made. He declared that under the agreement the streets of the city would be given over entirely and absolutely to the C.P.R. and that the Hydro or any other railways could not come in without their consent! He told his audience that the attempt to submit to the people in January the question of the additional \$74,000 could not be done legally, that it would have to be passed by the city council or not at all.

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instance of the Trades and Labor Council, was well received, and given a splendid hearing, his remarks being frequently applauded. Thos. Mc-

with Mayor Carter, occupied seats on the platform as well as Controller Halowan and Gordon Nelson of Hamilton, both of whom spoke briefly.

Says Beck Statements False.

At the conclusion of Sir Adam's address Mayor Carter was called upon, but as it was then 11.20, he considered it too late to detain the audience and said he routed reply to Sir Adam fully to Sir Adam ful

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HUSBAND AND WIFE **KILLED BY TRAIN**

Crossing.

John Cassidy Bell, aged 70 years, and his wife, Maria Elizabeth Bell, walked in front of a northbound yard engine at the C.P.R. level crossing at the Winchester bridge, Riverdale Park, at 8 o'clock last night and were killed. signal of warning given by the trainien, and they were struck by the engine before the emergency brakes brought the locomotive to a standstill. The yard engine was reversed and was going backwards when the accident ed. Bell was caught in ppened. Bell was caught before the train stopped. Mrs. was struck on the side of the head and thrown to the east side of the tracks. Her skull was fractured and

she died 15 minutes later. Mr. Bell was dead when his body was removed from beneath the cars. They were identified by resistration cards found in their possession. Mr. Bell's card gave his home address at \$106 Harvie avenue, Toronto.

The old couple had been in Riverdale Park and had crossed the bridge and were walking behind standing freight cars. It is the belief of the police that they were hard of hearing and failed notice the aproaching train.

The engine was taking cars up the yards and was in charge of Engineer homas Darby of 33 Fisken street. arby, according to the police of East as street station, saw both people eral yards from the scene of the nt. He rang the bell and soundthe whistle. Several seconds later saw them in front of the train and

applied all brakes. Fireman H. Ramsey, 624 Logan avenue, was at the window on the right hand side of the cab when the train neared the crossing.

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Amos Samis, 90 Cambridge avenue, was on duty at the crossing, and in a statement to the police he said that he waying the flag at the crossing months each at Burwash. Before passing sentence Magistrate Denison said, "These drugs are destroying the health of our people, while men like you are putting money into your pockets over it."

Crown Attorney Corley remarked, "Hundreds of our soldiers had to be sent home from England because of the called out to them to turn back, but that they did not seem to hear or see him.

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COST OF LIVING MAN CONTRADICTS CLOTHIERS

Sir Adam Says Hydro Will
Fight Radial Agreement,
Even if Bylaw Carries.

Special to The Toronto World.
Guelph, Aug. 5.—dn an address which lasted for more than two hours, Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission before an audience which packed Griffin Opera House to the roof, dealt with the agreement which has been entered into between the Grand River Railway and the city of Guelph whereby the former takes over the operation and management of the Guelph Radial Railway for a period of Syars, and agrees to construct a radial ine from Guelph to Hespeler and Fusition Lake at a cost of \$400,000. He characterized the whole agreement as being absolutely illegal, and stated in positive terms that even if the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the war. It was brought out in the bylaw carried on Monday next the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to the world the increased labor charges. It happends that since the war English retail trade there and overcost diving committee there and overcost of the same prices and would retail rade to the roof, dealt with the earliers was the price state of the cost of the world which to have the cost of the following committee the same and the cost of the following committee the same and the cost of the following committee the s hissioner makes the following re- | offered by the retailers was the price port regarding woolen and worsted of goods imported from England and

BY THREATENED STRIKE ON RAILWAYS OF U.S.

Mills. Mines and Factories Will Have to Close if Walk-Out Materializes - Shopmen Refuse to Obey Their Executive — 200,000 Cars Are Reported Out of Commission.

thruout the country despite the efforts of the organized heads to hold the men Pherson, president of the Trades and Labor Council, occupied the chair, and other members of the labor body Shopmen everywhere are throwing

Shopmen everywhere are throwing down their tools in premature strike. Above that hovered the threat of an even more serious labor situation, the demand of all the organized railroad industry that the profits of the busi-ness be overhauled, to retire government capital and to create a new tripartite control.

Reports began coming in today saying that unless railroad equipment can be kept in running order mills, mines and factories will be threatened with closing. It was reported that there are more than 200,000 cars now out of

thousands of railroad employes to go on strike to force higher wages to meet the high cost of living were reiterated. From many parts of Aged Couple Fail to Hear Warning at Level

Country today came reports that striking shopmen refused to return to work despite the fact that their action was denounced as illegal by the executive council of the six shop crafts. Strike kingston, Aug. 5.—The resignation ballots were mailed from the A. F. of of W. F. Nickle of his seat in the com-L. for taking an official vote as to mons has stirred up things here and whether the 500,000 shopmen shall the politicians have awakened from walk out to obtain their demands and their long sleep and are now engaged express their disapproval of President in lively gossip regarding what will

(Concluded on Page 4, Column 3). LIVERPOOL FACES

Civic Employes Threaten to Go Out Unless Tramway Demands Are Granted.

Liverpool, Aug. 5 .- The municipal mployes at a meeting tonight decided to give 24 hours' notice of strike unless the demands of the striking tramway men are immediately granted. A meeting of the trade union or-

strong fight would probably be made.
Referring to a rumored story to the trace difference of the tonight appointed a general strike committee which will meet on Wednesday. Tom Mann, president of the Workers' Union attended the meetWorkers' Union attended the meet
strong fight would probably be made.
Referring to a rumored story to the effect that Premier Hearst was about to retire and that W. F. Nickle was are much concerned about Premier Hearst, about the call for a provincial The speakers generally supported the police strikers.

DRUG PEDDLERS GET TERMS IN BURWASH his name appears to meet with favor. Mr. Nickle would take any such course

Louis Clanahan, colored, and Albert Gouley, drug peddlers, arrested Sunday by Plainclothesmen Ward and bert Gouley, drug peddlers, arrested
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Ottawa, Aug. 5.—The resignation of
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BRITAIN TO ISSUE FOOD RATION BOOKS

Much Public Comment Causedby an Announcement of Government's

London, Aug. 5 .- The food situation is giving a good deal of anxiety, and the amouncement that ration books are to be reissued next month has caused much public comment. Meantime the agitation on the question of profiteering is growing and will force govern-ment action.

Special to The Toronto World.

Kingston, Aug. 5.—The resignation ment.

happen next. "What is the matter?" is the general question asked on all sides. Mr. Nickle had been most ag-

MORE CABINET CHANGES

MAY YET BE ANNOUNCED

General A. E. Ross, M.L.A., Slated for Ministry of

Civil Re-establishment - Drayton for Railways Later.

He has been overseas since the war without consulting Sir Adam Beck,



OPPOSE INCREASE OF MINISTERS' PAY

Dissent in British House to Proposal, and Consideration of Measure Postponed.

London, Aug. 5.— he government bill which seeks to r ise the salaries of five cabinet minis ers in amounts ranging from £2,000 to £5,000 each and increase the salar es of a number of under-secretaries y as strongly opposed in the house of commons to-

Sir Donald Maclean, national Liberal, declined to give his consent to the measure until the government had declared its policy with regard to a reduction in the government department to what he considered a scale conducive to national efficiency and economy. Other members reproached the government for shewing a bad example when economy was declared to be imperative, and said the measure would lower parliament in the estimation of the people. Finally after a defence of the bill by Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader, and an agreement to postpone further consideration of the postpone further consideration of the measure until actuain, the bill passed its second reading 176 to 88.

FERDINAND WITH ARMY.

Paris, Aug. 5.—The Intransigeant's Geneva correspondent says that according to a Bucharest despatch King Ferdinand of Rumania is with his

minister of soldiers' civil re-establish

THE FEDERAL MOVIE SHOW.

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bility of another big rallway strike, the labor situation has again become so threatening that it is stated Arthur Henderson, the labor leader, who is attending the socialist conference at Lucerne, has been hurriedly summoned to London. Liverpool was quiet today, but it remains the centre of agitation, for a strike of the dockers is now being threatened in support of the striking policemen. The executive of the dockers' union met today and passed a resolution demanding reinstatement of the dismissed policemen, failing which they will give whole-hearted support to the police. Another meeting of trade union organizations of all trades was convened at Liverpool tonight to consider the advisability of calling a general strike in support of the police union and to elect a strike committee. It is stated that Tom Mann, president of the workers' union, will go to Liverpool to take charge of the situation. Negotiations between the government and the associated locomotive engineers and firemen to arrange a new scale of pay for engine drivers have been in progress for six months. The government has just issued what is described as a final adjustment of the scale, as a result of which the executive of the union has been snowed under with indignant protests as to the inadequacy of the scale from all parts of the country. The executive has arrived in London from Leeds to interview the board of trade on the subject, and the outlook is considered serious. Further, there are the beginnings of strike movements on the Scottish railways, owing to a local dispute. The number of men out on the London Southwestern Railway almost doubled today, and passenger service is suffering severe inconvenience. The strike is described by James Henry Thomas, member of the house of commons, as a grave mistake and quite unauthorized. Lord Robert Cecil in the house of commons today inquired as to the government's policy in the face of a threatened general strike in favor of direct action, to which Andrew Bonar Law, the government spokesman, rep WIL OTITE I HETIHO

Living Bubble About

to Burst.

The political movies are still coming over the reel. Hon. Dr. Reid as the over the reel. Hon. Dr. Reid as the political messenger of Sir Robt. Borden appeared in Kingston on Monday at a flated cost-of-living balloon is about is the general question asked on all sides. Mr. Nickle had been most aggressive, independent and fearless, and his work met with the approval generally of citizens; and his dropping out has come like a bolt from the blue, out has come like a bolt from the blue, ing out of public life, that he was more and progressive the demonstration of the blue, ing out of public life, that he was more and progressive the demonstration on Monday at alphanest in Monday a

out has come like a bolt from the blue, as it was thought he would continue with the Union government. Mr. Nickle says he served the time he intended to and that he is dropping out of political life and that is all there is to it. But in spite of this statement many anxious inquiries are made.

Discussing the matter tonight the British Whig says: "There are those who say that General A. E. Ross, the sitting member in the Ontario Legislature, is the logical successor to Mr. Nickle. He is at present overseas and his friends say that he has never re
ting out of public life, that he was moving higher up later on. What further was Dr. Reid doing?

The World believes that Dr. Reid was there to smooth out the resignation and to lead up to an arranging for Dr. Ross, a returned overseas medical officer of good record in hospital work, resigning his seat in the Ontario legislature. It is hardly necessary to empty the served the time he intended to and that he is dropping out of public life, that he was moving higher up later on. What further abstractions and progress, in the domestic business markets will undoubtedly be more pronounced from now on. The ostrich attitude of ignoring the fact that there is an over-supply of most commodities is also an abstraction and to lead up to an arranging for Dr. Ross, a returned overseas medical officer of good record in hospital work, resigning his seat in the Ontario legislature. It is to be hoped that the commodity list. We now realize that the commodities is also an abstraction and the fact that there is an over-supply of most commodities is also an abstraction and the fact that there is an over-supply of most commodities is also an abstraction and the fact that th Nickle. He is at present overseas and his friends say that he has never referred to Canadian politics since he crossed to the front. His acceptance would probably be followed by an acclamation, thus leaving a vacancy in the provincial house, for which strong fight would probably be made. Referring to a rumored story to the

lature with the possibility of taking Sir Wickle to go back to the legisteffect that Premier Hearst was about to retire and that W. F. Nickle was to succeed him, Mr. Nickle today said:

"Don't believe all you hear on the street." General Ross, who is a member for Kingston in the Ontario legislature, is mentioned as a likely successor to Mr. Nickle at a street." General Ross, who is a member for Kingston in the Ontario legislature, is mentioned as a likely successor to Mr. Nickle at Ottawa, and Ste. Marie! But we do not think that Dec.

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Oats— Mr. Nickle would take any such course without consulting Sir Adam Beck.

But only part of the cabinet movies of Pork—

BOY PRESENTS BABY TO POLICE INSPECTOR

Inspector Bond of West Dundas street station was presented last night with a three-months' old baby by a young boy living at 35 Woodycrest avenue. It appears that the parents left the child, and the boy decided to hand it over to the police. Inspector Bond sent the infant to the Shelter, where admittance was refused as the child was said to be too young to be admitted. While the police are investigating the case, the baby will be cared for by the attendants at the Infant's Home.

30,000 BRITISH WIVES

OF CANADIANS COMING

London, Aug. 5.—British wives of Canadian First' Liberal convention to settle in the Dominion now number to settle in the Dominion now number that the police are investigating the case, the baby will be cared for by the attendants at the Infant's Home.

Wention hall on some committee work. Chairman Murray suggested that some enthusiastic young Liberal from Ontain go and find Mr. Dewart, and J. W. Bolby of Brantford volunteered. Mr. Bolby is 83 years old, and attended the "Canada First" Liberal convention in is67 and every big Liberal convention in is67 and every big Liberal convention in ince.

The crowd was so taken with the old veteran's enthusiasm that they old veter

HAU I LAIT IU GAIN

Ready to Take Arms-Revelations at Inquiry.

Grain and provision prices crashed again in the Chicago market yesterday, and the panicky close showed losses of from five to seven cents in corn futures and of about two cents in corn futures and of about two cents in corn futures while there was a decline in pork from \$48 to \$44.50. In the New York cotton market there was also heavy selling and prices.

Winnipeg, Aug. 5.— H. A. Bray, returned soldier and Winnipeg strike leader, on trial for conspiracy, declared on June 10 last that he had a fully organized band of \$5,000 to \$4,000 to \$4,0

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171½ 803 year, when the yield was 51,000,000 bushels, and the price \$2.21 per bushel Red rust is reported in a of Manitoba districts.

A Thousand Delegates Present When the Temporary Chairman Calls Big Meeting to Order-Eliminating Dark Horses in Leadership

By a Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Aug. 5.-The big national Ottawa, Aug. 5.—The big national Liberal convention got off to a good start this morning. Fully a thousand delegates were in their places when Hon. Charles Murphy called the convention to order. They come from every parliamentary riding in Canada and are on the whole representative men, some of the provincial premiers may have come here reluctantly, but they are here to stay and are taking an active part in the work of the convention.

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Premièr Murray of Nova Scotia and Sir Lomer Gouin are joint chairmen of the convention. Mr. Murray as the senior premier takes the laboring oar, but Sir Lomer often comes to his assistance, especially when some ruling or announcement is to be translated into French for the convenience of the members from Quebec. The hall is large and Fremier Murray's voice is not over strong and even what the aid of a megaphone he cannot always be distinctly heard, but for today at least the best of order has prevailed. The convention had a certain program for the day and it ran on a time schedule so as to adjourn at six o'clock. The various committees were appointed and the rules governing the procedure of the convention were adopted. Tomotrow the committees will report and there may be a lively debate on the tariff plank and other proposals reported from the committee on resolutions. The voting for the leader will not take place before Thursday.

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The Leadership Race.

Now as to the leadership. The rules adopted today are designed to head off dark horses and stampedes. Every candidate must be placed in nomination before the first ballot. Any candidate placed in nomination may withdraw, but no new candidate or dark horse can be unblanketed after the ballotting begins. This may have the effect of shutting out Premier Martin of Saskatchewan, and may narrow the of Saskatchewan, and may narrow the race to a contest between Hon, W. S. Fielding and Hon, George P. Graham, Judge D. D. McKenzie is no longer considered a formidable candidate, and it is believed that Hon. Sydney Fisher will develop his greatest strength out the first ballot. Something like a boom developed this morning for Hon. Mackenzie King, many delegates pressing forward at the noon adjournment to introduce themselves and take him by the hand. Mr. Graham, however, seems just now to be the favorite and he is also the object of the most virusent attacks. The fact that Sir Clifford Sifton is in the city has been seized

corn futures and of about two cents tull, organized band of 5,000 to 4,000 men, ready to take up arms at ediline in pork from 84 to 944.60. In the New York cotton market there was also heavy selling and prices broke sharply. Celling and prices realized that the U.S. government, threat to bring commodity prices down is not an idie one. Warning the same to the according to a reduction in the cost of living is a resolution is an indication of it was a source of my conversation to a reduction in the cost of living is a resolution in the cost of living is a resol

The crowd seemed impatient this afternoon to hear from Hartley Dewart, who was absent from the convention hall on some committee work.