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Conference Report Favors First, Opposition Will Authorize Resolution for Latter.

TARIFF FIGHT GETTING HOT. Center of Interest Has Shifted From the Capitol to the White House.

Office of Senator Aldrich and Rep. Payne Besieged to Learn About Reported Friction.

SENATOR SMOOT CONCEDES NOTHING

No Reduction in the Lead Schedule While Hide Question Is Not Settled.

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Washington, D. C., July 26.—In response to a question as to whether he cared to answer the charge in a Salt Lake paper that he has betrayed western interests by conceding reductions in the lead and hide schedules, Senator Smoot said this afternoon that there has been no reduction in the lead schedule in any particular so far as it relates to mining of lead ores. He further added that he has conceded nothing in the matter of hide duty, and that a hide tariff has not been agreed upon. The senator added that he is opposed to the policy of free raw materials, so called because most of these "raw" materials are the finished product of the mines, farms and ranches of the west. In this connection it can be said that Senator Aldrich's positive declaration that he must not consent to free hides is primarily due to the loyal manner in which Senator Smoot has aided the chairman of the finance committee, in framing the bill.

WILL PUT THAW ON WITNESS STAND

In Court His Attorney Said He Would Give Personal Proof Of Sound Mental Condition.

THREE ALIENISTS TO TESTIFY

Dr. H. Ernst Schmidt Found Thaw Logical, Memory Excellent, Control Of Emotions Normal.

White Plains, N. Y., July 26.—The severest ordeal of Harry K. Thaw's struggle for freedom from the Matteawan asylum for the criminal insane was before him today when Justice Mills recommenced the hearing in the supreme court here at which Thaw is trying to show himself sane. Charles Morschauer, his attorney, renewed his intention of putting Thaw on the stand to give personal proof of his sound mental condition.

BADLY INJURED BY AUTOMOBILE

Careless Chauffeur Runs Down Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ayers at Fourteenth South St.

DRIVER IS TO BE ARRESTED.

Sheriff Sharp and Deputies Looking For Him—Machine Owned by Prominent Salt Lake.

While driving to their home in Sandy Saturday night, J. E. Ayers and his wife were run down by an automobile at Fourteenth South and State streets and severely injured. Ayers sustained four broken ribs and was badly bruised. Mrs. Ayers' left leg was broken and her back wrenched. The buggy in which they were called to attend them, and the horse ran away. The chauffeur, who had a party of four in his machine, increased his speed after the collision and left the injured man and woman lying in the street. Sheriff Joseph C. Sharp has information which will possibly lead to the apprehension of the chauffeur. The automobile belonged to a prominent and wealthy man in Salt Lake, and it is believed, that members of his family were in the machine at the time of the accident. Mrs. Ayers is still suffering from shock and concussion of the brain. She is in serious condition.

BRITAIN'S FINE HAND EXPOSED

In Matter of American Claim for Equal Participation in Hankow-Sze Chuen R. R. Loan.

BRITISH MINISTER WARNED.

Washington Government Will Understand Continuation of Pressure on Chang Tung Is Sanctioned.

Peking, July 26.—The success of President Taft's telegram sent about a week ago to Prince Chung, the Chinese regent, with the purpose, it is understood, of tying the hands of Grand Councilor Chang Chi Tung, in the matter of the American claim for equal participation in the Hankow-Sze Chuen railroad loan of \$27,500,000, appears doubtful. The Chinese foreign board today is unable to vouch for Chang Chi Tung's actions and fears he will memorialize the throne in favor of the original loan agreement, thereby forcing the prince regent to decide between himself and the risk of losing American friendship.

SUTTON'S MOTHER MAY BE WITNESS

Will Identify Written Challenge To Her Son and Subsequent Apology from Officer.

WHO GAVE HEHART REVOLVER

Lieuts. Osterman and Willing Recalled, Both Testifying That They Did Not.

Annapolis, Md., July 26.—At the opening of the Sutton inquiry today, Mr. Davis, Mrs. Sutton's counsel, suggested to Commander Hood, presiding member of the board, that as the witnesses on hand would not carry the proceedings beyond the week an adjournment might be taken at the close of today's session until next week Monday, when Surgeon F. C. Cook and Lieut. Harold H. Utley of the marine corps, the two witnesses now abroad, are expected to arrive here. The court, however, decided to continue the sessions from day to day.

BLERIOT FEVER STRIKES LONDON

French Aviator Finds Hero Worship Much More Trying to the Nerves Than Navigating Air.

NEEDED POLICE PROTECTION

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London, July 26.—Louis Blériot, the Frenchman who made history by flying across the English channel from Les Baraques to Dover, a distance of 21 miles in the remarkable time of a little less than half an hour, and his famous little monoplane both reached London this morning, the former to receive the monetary fruits of his achievement in the shape of a check for \$5,000, and the latter to be placed on exhibition to the financial advantage of both a London hospital and the enterprising proprietor of the only American department store here. The aviator is finding hero worship much more trying to endure than the strain of navigating the air. Remarkable scenes were again witnessed at Dover this morning when Blériot returned there to attend a civil reception in his honor. The Frenchman was mobbed by the enormous crowds and the police had to come to his protection, so eager were the enthusiasts to greet him at close quarters.

Washington, July 26.—At a meeting of western Republican senators this afternoon, Senator Warren was authorized to say to the conferees that those present would oppose any conference report that provides for free hides. They assert that a canvass assures the defeat of such a report.

Washington, July 26.—In both senate and house the anti-free hide element is making active preparations for vigorous resistance to any report from the tariff conference committee which may look to taking the duty off hides. Northwestern senators and members of the house were at the Capitol early today.

The "insurrection" members of the house, as the anti-rare material fighters are coming to be called, decided on holding a meeting, which was called for 11 o'clock, but the senators who were making a fight along the same lines concluded to persist their plans by means of individual conferences. Most active among the workers on the senate side were Senators Clark and Warren of Wyoming; Carter of Montana; Borah of Idaho, and Smoot of Utah.

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In case the conferees bring in a free-hide report the opposition will resort to the tactics of adopting a resolution of authorization to the tariff conference committee to place all kinds of leather and all leather goods on the free list along with hides.

At one time last week a compromise might have been reached on the basis of 7½ per cent duty on hides, but this was not satisfactory to the house and on the other hand, the shoe manufacturers have positively refused to consent to have shoes put on the free list, so that all attempts to reach an agreement have failed thus far.

"There is nothing like leather," used to be an old saying, and today it is "there's nothing like hides."

With the differences between the two houses on this one item adjusted, all in an hour, but hides are worrying both sides and the western senators, especially Senators Smoot,utherland, and Borah, Carter, Clark, or any of them, will not consent to vote for any conference report which ignores the claims of the cattle growing states. It is the cattle men who are making the fight. The cattle growers have an office here, and the officials of their organization are frequently seen in the senate and house. They have not been a representative of the packers in the city for a month.

It is held that if hides are made free there is no good reason why wool should not be treated in the same manner, especially as the duty on hides applies only to those of full grown animals, and the duty on wool is levied on the raw material. For this reason, it is feared that if a rule is brought in to permit the house conferees to place all hides on the free list, it will give the adherents of free wool, free marble and free granite the opportunity to amend the tariff bill, and the objection to the wool, therefore, the only hope of agreement rests upon the chance to secure a compromise on hides and the wool.

It is also stated today that an advance argument of steel plates and structural shapes, it was expected, would be made within the next fortnight.

Washington, July 26.—Formal announcement was made today by Chief Signal Officer Allen of the army that the official test of the Wright aeroplane would be begun this evening on the Fort Myer drill grounds.

Today's trial is to be an endurance flight of one hour and with one passenger aboard in addition to the aviator.

The war department has designated Lieut. Lahm to accompany Orville Wright in the flight.

Denver, July 26.—A telegram was received by the Colorado Federation of Miners from Greenwood, B. C., stating that the 400 men who had been on strike there had won all their demands and had returned to work at once.

The morning session was devoted to the report of the executive board member, J. C. Lowmyer. His district is Butte No. 1. In the report he stated that Flynn and his followers were enemies of the organization. Flynn replied that Lowmyer was a disgrace to the Federation of Miners. The session was filled with personalities followed during which the history of Butte No. 1 was recited by both sides, each claiming the other was an enemy of the Amalgamated Copper company.

London, July 26.—The big navy campaign has won the day and four super Dreadnaughts are to be added to the current year's shipbuilding program. The admiralty, officially confirmed this in the house of commons this afternoon, saying that after a very anxious and careful examination into the shipbuilding conditions of foreign countries the government had come to the conclusion that it was desirable to take all necessary steps to insure the laying down of four additional Dreadnaughts in April to be completed in March, 1912.

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With the tariff conferees at loggerheads over hides and leather, the White House this morning again became the center of interest of the tariff fight. At the beginning of the day it was expected that advocates of protected hides would devote a large part of the forenoon to beseeching the tariff conferees to stand firmly for material reductions on boots and shoes and other leather goods. If hides are to be duty free.

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