

BALLINGER SAVED BIG POWER SITES

Wickersham's Detailed Report Hits Forestry Service Blow.

STATEMENT IS CONVICTING

Attorney-General Reveals Attitude of Secretary Toward Public Domain—Says Antagonists Were Inspired.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 27.—Many things are cleared up by the recent report of Attorney-General Wickersham to the President of the Glavis charges.

One of the most interesting phases of that report deals with Secretary Ballinger's attitude toward power sites on the public domain, and while it contains much that is not new, yet the presentation of the facts in such a way as to carry conviction that Secretary Ballinger has been grossly misrepresented by antagonistic newspapers that got their inspiration from the Forestry Service.

Incidentally, this feature of the Attorney-General's report places ex-Governor Fardeau, of California, in an unfavorable light. This is what the report says: Report of Monopoly Heard.

"Secretary Ballinger in his statement quotes a portion of a statement published in a newspaper at Helena, Mont., on August 10, 1906, in the following language:

"On June 11 last, there was filed at the United States Land Office at Helena, Mont., an entry on the 12,888 acres of land that stretched across the Missouri River made for the United Missouri River Power Company, a New Jersey corporation, capitalized at \$10,000,000. These entries were made by Jeremiah Collins, land agent for the power trust, with offices in Washington and Helena.

"The same charge, Mr. Ballinger says, was made in other terms on the floor of the Spokane Irrigation Congress, to the effect that 'within eight days, or within a few days after the order (of restoration) meet if not all of the power 'sales'—presumably referring to the Montana tract—had been grabbed by private interests.' The speaker ex-Governor Fardeau, in a subsequent press interview, was more specific, and gave the description of the land to which he had made reference. Secretary Ballinger says:

"In fact, the date of the alleged entry upon this land, June 11, was not eight days or few days, but two months, and in fact to that of the restoration, April 16, and was after the second withdrawal of the acre on this part of the Missouri river, namely, May 26.

Detailed Statement Given.

"He then gives a detailed statement of the lands included in this specific charge. They amount to approximately 100,000 acres, all situated in Montana. Secretary Ballinger's statement shows that two of the four-80s embraced in the tract did not touch the river at all. One was not included in the withdrawals made at the instance of the Reclamation Service, and the fourth touched the river only in its extreme corner, which was patented land; and that nearby lands in this and an adjoining township where the evidence was less conclusive, that there was no available water entry were included in the temporary withdrawal of May 26, 1906.

"On January 18, 1902, and February 16 and 17, 1902, very large tracts of the public lands on the Missouri River, Flathead River and Swan River, Montana, Owyhee River, Oregon, and Salmon River, Idaho, San Juan River, Utah, White River, Utah, were, under the supervisory power of the Secretary, reserved from all forms of entry, on the ground that they were in the Reclamation Service, made in accordance with the request of the Secretary of the Interior that the withdrawal of any entry sites which may be regarded as of importance with a view to the conservation of the water resources, and in order that such lands 'be held in reserve for the benefit of the public in connection with future development.'

Garfield Takes Action.

"In making these withdrawals, Secretary Garfield wrote to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under date of March 2, 1909, as follows: 'The withdrawal is made under the general supervisory authority of the Executive in order to make certain that these lands shall not be acquired wrongfully under other laws than the right-of-way acts, and also to give Congress opportunity to amend or modify the public-land laws that these particular lands may be devoted to their best use.'

Between December 4, 1908, and February 17, 1909, there was also withdrawn certain of the public lands situated in Wyoming, Utah, and Montana on the recommendation of the Reclamation Service for reclamation projects; but, it was subsequently stated, for the purpose of preserving power sites from private entry.

"The approximate area withdrawn aggregated 3,232,960 acres of land. On March 26, 1909, the director of the geological survey recommended to Secretary Ballinger the restoration to the public domain of certain of the lands of the Salmon River, Idaho, which had been withdrawn February 17, 1909, on the ground that 'from recent investigations in connection with water-power sites the withdrawal of 'said lands' no longer appears necessary in the interests of the United States.' This recommendation was approved, and on April 1, 1909, the secretary wrote to the director of the reclamation service as follows:

Letter Brings No Reply.

"It appears from orders heretofore issued, dated, respectively, January 7, 18 and February 27, 1909, that approximately 100,000 acres of public lands were withdrawn from all forms of entry, in order to insure the conservation of water resources in the States of Montana, Utah and Oregon.

"You will please report to me the reasons, if any there are, whether statutory or otherwise, why these lands should not be restored to entry under the public land laws. (No reply to this letter appears in the files.)

April 7 and 10, 1909, on the recommendation of the Director of the Geological Survey that the withdrawal of said lands, no longer appears necessary to the interests of the United States, Secretary Ballinger directed the restoration to the public domain of a considerable portion of the lands withdrawn by direction of Secretary Garfield as above mentioned. April 23, 1909, Secretary Ballinger ordered an immediate investigation of water-power sites on the public domain by the Geological Survey, and instructed the Director of the Geological Survey to report the available power sites, in order that any necessary withdrawals might be made to protect such power sites pending the securing at the next session of Congress legislation to control and regulate their disposition.

"The Geological Survey heretupon began a critical review of the official records of stream gradients and stream flow, covering not only streams previously withdrawn but all streams in public land states; and where streams were found to possess conditions favorable for power development, full data concerning the same was transmitted to the General Land Office for indication of the status of the land, upon receipt of which lists of lands to be withdrawn were prepared, having due regard to the ownership of the land and the character of development required for the utilization of the power in the particular stream or river involved; and these lists were then transmitted to the Secretary by the Director of the Geological Survey, with a recommendation that the following action be taken:

Legislation Gets Aid.

"In aid of proposed legislation affecting the disposal of the water-power sites on the public domain, all public lands in the following list are temporarily withdrawn from all forms of entry, disposal, settlement, location, and all existing claims, and entries are temporarily suspended. All valid entries heretofore made proceed up to and including the submission of proof, but no purchase money will be received or final certificates of entry issued until further orders.

The system adopted with respect to lands so withdrawn was as follows:

"Following such withdrawal, the survey would send into the field experts to make careful topographic and hydrologic surveys, including additional stream profiles and measurements of stream flow, and on this basis review the withdrawals made and recommend the restoration to entry of tracts not essential to power development.

As a result of such special examinations, Mr. Ballinger's report shows that three restorations of areas in no wise essential to the control of power development have already been made, and the existence of valuable power sites undoubtedly in the possession of the Government has been conclusively demonstrated; and all withdrawals made in the field is being prosecuted and is expected to be completed before Congress convenes."

WIFE OF WANDERING SON OF DEPOSED PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA AND HER LITTLE SON FLEE FROM WAR ZONE TO WASHINGTON.



MRS. ALFONSO ZELAYA AND CHILD, SANTOS ROBERT LEE.

U. S. THEIR HAVEN

Zelaya's Daughter-in-Law and Grandson in Washington.

TOT'S MOTHER IS YANKEE

Wife of Wandering Son of Deposed Nicaragua Head Upholds Father-in-Law — Child's Name Santos Robert Lee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—The little grandson of Santos Zelaya, the deposed president of Nicaragua, has found a refuge among his mother's people in this city, and will live here with her in the future.

Alfonso Zelaya, the musical, artistic son of the former dictator, is a wanderer from port to port of South and Central America, where he is earning a livelihood through his musical talent.

The grandson of Zelaya bears the compromise name of Santos Robert Lee Zelaya. His mother was a Washington girl of Southern extraction, and her romance with wild young Zelaya four years ago was the basis of a much talked-of international romance. Incidentally, it resulted in young Zelaya being out of town without funds and being forced to barter his talent for hire to certain music halls that were not above question. Even now the parent is opposed to his son's desire for a musical career, and refuses him the wherewithal to follow it.

Alfonso and his wife and young Santos Robert Lee were members of the Zelaya household during the recent revolution, and the young American matron tells with horror of the terror of it. She trembles with fright at the memory of the bloodshed that surrounded the life of Blanca and cried out for the life blood of the president. She says they are wolfish and unable to appreciate what her father-in-law was doing for them; they can be ruled only with a hand of iron; that Zelaya knew his people and the only manner of governing them. She says that a Latin American people must have a master; that without one they are a mob. She doubts if there is another man in Central America who has the force to control so turbulent a people. Alfonso and his wife and little son left in the breaking up of the former government and found their way on the backs of burros over the mountains into Costa Rica. It was a wild ride for a gentlemanly American girl, but accepted philosophically after the greater dangers that had gone before.

Governor of California at the August primary election. At the Perkins Hotel Mr. Lindley said: "Perhaps the Republicans of California do not fully appreciate Mr. Heney, but it was quite apparent that Heney could not have developed greater strength throughout the state than he did in San Francisco as an aspirant for District Attorney. The influence of Mr. Heney is to be given to the candidacy of Hyrum Johnson, and the probably means that all the elements which have supported Heney in the past investigations will be called to his aid.

"There are three candidates actively in the field for the Republican nomination, in addition to Mr. Johnson. Sacramento has put forth Alden Anderson, present State Bank Superintendent, and who is regarded as an organization candidate. He served one term as Lieutenant-Governor.

"The south end of the state will endeavor to secure the nomination of Phil A. Stanton, of Los Angeles, and an effort is cropping out to unite all the southern counties because of the horizontal raise in taxation made in that district by the State Board of Equalization.

"Charles F. Curry, for many years Secretary of State, is in the race and will have strong support in San Francisco. I doubt, however, that Curry will have the backing of the Mayor McCarthy machine. Mr. Heney is charged with making that statement here in Portland, but from the remarks which they have recently made concerning one another I am of the opinion that neither gentleman enjoys the confidence of the other to a great extent."

Mr. Lindley is also Supreme Secretary of the Order of Railway Employees and publisher of the Railway Employees' Magazine and Journal. He went to Seattle last night, where he will visit his brother, the President of the Home Telephone Company.

THE PUBLIC BENEFITED

Portland People Greatly Interested in the Generous Offer of the Owl Drug Co., Inc.

The people have already demonstrated that they would rather trust a man who is naturally honest, than one who was honest only because he had the confidence of the Owl Drug Co., Inc., a firmly established reputation for square dealing and sterling honesty. When they told the people that Rexall Remedies are the purest and most dependable remedies that it is possible for modern science to produce, and that they would tell the public exactly what each one of these 300 remedies contained, and that they sold Rexall Remedies on their own personal guarantee that they would give entire satisfaction or the medicine would not cost the user a single cent, they were believed.

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THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 19, 1910.

TO POLICYHOLDERS:

The following synopsis of the Annual Statement, as of December 31, 1909, is submitted for your information:

Table with 3 columns: Description, 1909, 1908. Rows include: TOTAL ASSETS (\$486,109,637.98), TOTAL LIABILITIES (400,837,318.68), TOTAL SURPLUS (85,272,319.30), NEW INSURANCE PAID FOR (110,943,016.00), INCREASE IN OUTSTANDING INSURANCE (8,869,439.00), FIRST YEAR CASH PREMIUMS (3,774,321.27), TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO POLICYHOLDERS (51,716,579.04), DEATH BENEFITS (20,102,318.67), ENDOWMENTS (6,321,554.41), ANNUITIES, SURRENDER VALUES AND OTHER BENEFITS (15,683,665.88), DIVIDENDS TO POLICYHOLDERS (9,609,040.08), DIVIDENDS TO STOCKHOLDERS (7,000.00), OUTSTANDING LOANS TO POLICYHOLDERS (59,954,933.10), EARNINGS FROM INTEREST AND RENTS (21,074,013.95), OUTSTANDING LOANS ON REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES (97,532,648.03), TOTAL EXPENSES (10,438,729.64).

The average gross rate of interest realized during 1909 amounted to 4.50 per cent., as against 4.45 per cent. in 1908, 4.39 per cent. in 1907, 4.26 per cent. in 1906, 4.03 per cent. in 1905, and 3.90 per cent. in 1904.

The condition of your Society is constantly improving. The growth of new business at a reduced expense ratio and the increase in outstanding insurance manifest public recognition of the fact.

DAVID G. HERRIN, Agency Manager Oregonian Building Portland, Oregon

Signature of President and the word PRESIDENT.

The Great Divide of



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LOOK FOR THE WORD "ROYAL" IMPRESSED IN THE BOTTOM OF THE LOAF—IT MEANS QUALITY

THE ROYAL BAKERY & CONFECTIONERY, INC.

The Great Portland Bakery That Always Invites Inspection