

REAL PROGRESS S BALLINGER'S PLEA

Favors Use and Development of Natural Resources and Urges Congress to Act.

WARREN BILL INDORSED

Secretary's Report Suggests Sale of Surplus Water and Giving of Land to States Necessary to Make Use of Power.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 8.—Secretary Ballinger, in his annual report made public today, strongly urges the enactment by Congress of legislation which will permit proper use and development of the natural resources of the West and permit that section of the country once more to progress.

His report is a strong plea for practical conservation as distinguished from Pinchotism. It is an appeal for recognition of the rights of the present generation as well as for protection of the rights of generations yet to come.

Virtually every phase of the conservation question is treated by the Secretary. Throughout he recognizes the absolute right of Congress to determine specifically how the various resources are to be used, but in every instance he appeals to Congress to act promptly, in order that the valuable resources now tied up by withdrawal and otherwise may be turned to some practical use.

In the matter of water power sites the Secretary strongly inclines to the view that inasmuch as the waters already belong to the states which are to be vested by the Constitution, it would be well to turn over to the states such public lands as are needed in the development of water power, allowing the states to regulate the development and sale of power within their borders.

There is much in the Secretary's report which is now before the House of Representatives, permitting the sale of surplus water from Government projects and the co-operation of the Government and private enterprise in the construction of irrigation, storage and distribution works.

Other changes in the National Reclamation act he deems advisable. These, in brief, are some of the more important features of Secretary Ballinger's report.

Water Power Valuable Asset. "There are now withdrawn from disposition, pending legislation concerning water power sites, approximately 1,450,000 acres of the public domain," says the Secretary.

"In the various public lands States and Territories containing water power resources, in so far as there is present market for these powers the title to areas greater in extent than that remaining in the Government has long since passed into private ownership, and it is stated that any radical or burdensome restriction imposed by the Federal Government upon this resource will operate as a servitude on the public lands and discourage their development and use.

"In my last annual report, in order to meet the emergency for a special method of administering this character of the public lands, and in order to effect the ultimate control thereof in the public, it was recommended that supervision be exercised through a leasing system. During the last session of Congress a bill was introduced authorizing the President to withdraw from all forms of settlement, entry, or other disposition any lands which may hereafter become chiefly valuable for the development of water power, and providing for the acquisition of any State or Territory, under certain conditions, of any lands so withdrawn, and for other purposes.

"The object of this bill is to transfer these sites to the States under limitations which would compel the States to retain title thereto and to secure and supervise their hydro-electrical development in behalf of the public. The bill provides for Federal enforcement of compliance by the States with the terms, conditions, and limitations which would compel the States to retain title thereto and to secure and supervise their hydro-electrical development in behalf of the public.

The Secretary believes that "the most advantageous method of disposal of coal deposits will be found in a measure authorizing the lease or sale thereof of subject to forfeiture for failure to exercise the rights granted, with restrictions on mining operations in order to conserve the deposit as a public utility."

Inadvisable modification of the present laws as to require two years actual residence, cultivation, and improvement as a prerequisite to commutation. Also provide that no patent shall be issued under any commuted homestead entry hereafter made, except to citizens of the United States.

The destructive forest fires which swept over large areas of the Western States during the past summer have killed or injured timber on approximately 200,000 acres of unreserved public lands.

The Interior Department, in the administration of the public lands, is constantly confronted with grave legal questions and the decision of cases involving property rights and interests of great magnitude.

I consider it highly important that Congress take action in this department an effective method of disposition of coal lands and deposits, especially in Alaska.

I am in favor of a general leasing system of oil and gas bearing lands, such a system would prevent the development of this industry, prevent monopoly, and conserve one of the great natural resources of the country.

I would apply the leasing system only to areas withdrawn for classification or classified above. This would give a reward to the diligent prospector. Even then the further location after the diligent prospector had secured his first claims.

ALDRICH SAYS NATIONAL LAW IS BECOMING OBSOLETE. Defects Due, Senator Burton Avers, to Retention of Government Currency System.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.—The need for currency reform was discussed by Senator Aldrich, chairman of the National Monetary Commission; Senator Burton, a member of the committee; Andrew, a former secretary of the Commission and Director Roberts, of the Mint, at a special session of the American Academy of Political and Social Science here tonight.

Senator Aldrich declared that in his opinion, the reform of the present banking system was the most important work now before the Monetary Commission. The currency problem would adjust itself, he said, when the banking system was taken care of.

It is manifest that the state banks and trust companies are better organized to respond to the business demands of the communities in which they are located," he added.

Senator Burton said the need for currency reform did not arise from any insufficiency in the general account; with the exception of France, the per capita circulation in the United States is larger than in any other great commercial country.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—A probe, behind which, it is said by Adjutant-General Howe, of the Idaho National Guard, there is no animus, but which is being conducted to acquire the seal of Secretary of State Lansing, Colonel of the Second Infantry, was started in this city today through the convening of a board of examiners appointed by Governor Brady.

NEW TRAIN SERVICE On the S. P. A new fast local train has been put in service between Portland and Eugene by the Southern Pacific Company.

104,402 PEOPLE LIVE IN SPOKANE

Census Places Metropolis of Inland Empire Ahead of Tacoma by Thousands.

GROWTH RIVALS SEATTLE'S

Many Names Lost Through Overzeal of Enumerators, but There is No Evidence of Wilful Error; City Ranks Forty-Sixth.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Dec. 8.

Spokane's population, announced tonight, is 104,402, against 36,818 in 1900, an increase of 67,584, or 182.1 per cent. This puts Spokane far ahead of Tacoma, which in 1900 had 866 more citizens than the metropolis of the Inland Empire.

Spokane's revised census will probably be announced tomorrow by Chief Statistician Hunt, who had charge of the recount.

In percentage and growth, Spokane ranks close to Seattle and Boise, and is near the top of the list for the entire country, few cities showing a larger percentage for the last ten years.

Director Durand did not issue a formal statement regarding padding in Spokane, but said today there was no evidence of wilful violation of instructions by enumerators. Errors were almost identical with those at Boise and were confined to the hotel and boarding-house districts, where enumerators called too many times and enumerated too many of the floating population.

Spokane is now the 46th city in size. Ten years ago it was No. 106. The city's growth from 1890 to 1900 was 85 per cent increase or 14,924.

SPOKANE'S GAIN 200 PER CENT Progress of City From Hamlet Size Shows Steady Expansion. SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—While both Hilliard and Fort Wright are in reality parts of Spokane, they do not figure in the census. Hilliard has a population of about 4000, while the population of Fort Wright is approximately 700.

WASHBURN AND TAMPA GIVEN. BISMARCK, N. D., Dec. 8.—The population of Washburn, N. D., is 5448, compared with 2319 in 1900. Revised statistics of Tampa, Fla., show its population to be 37,715, an increase of 23,848 or 128.5 per cent over 15,867 in 1900. A previous announcement gave the 1900 census as 23,524.

LOUISIANA HAS 1,656,388. WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The population of the State of Louisiana is 1,656,388, an increase of 274,768 or 19.2 per cent over 1,381,620 in 1900. The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 263,008, or 23.5 per cent.

CHURCH TO GET FORTUNE (Continued from First Page.) remembered in bequests which range from \$1000 to \$10,000. Calvin Tye is given \$2000.

GRAND-DAUGHTER SOBS ALONE Funeral Service Marked by Simplest Rites; No Eulogy is Heard. BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Followers of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, founder of the Christian Science Church, parted with her visible form today at a funeral service that was marked by simplicity and lack of ostentation; that yielded no expressions of sorrow, at least, not by her followers; that was not surrounded by trappings of mourning, but was nevertheless sufficiently impressive to linger long in the memory of 120 persons who attended.

It's time you were doing your Christmas buying



A man to buy for? Then go where man's things are.

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It's now in the best taste to give useful presents.

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Men's Umbrellas... \$1.00 to \$10.00
Men's Reefers, Mufflers... \$1.00 to \$ 4.00
Pajamas... \$1.50 to \$ 5.00
Men's and Boys' Gloves... \$1.00 to \$ 3.00
Suspenders and Ties (in Xmas box)... \$1.25
Suspenders, Tie, Garters and Arm Bands (in Christmas box), the set... \$2.00
Fancy Suspenders... \$1.00 to \$2.50
Initial Handkerchiefs... 25c to 50c
"Wunderhose" (4 pair in box)... \$1.00
Interwoven Hose (4 pair in box)... \$1.00

- Give Him a Hat Order
"Multnomah" Hats... \$3.00
"Leuburn" Hats... \$4.00
Baronmore Hats... \$5.00
"Trimble" Hats... \$5.00 and \$6.00
"John B. Stetson" Hats... \$4.00 to \$10.00
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SENSITIVE MAN MISSING DRIVES A BAD COLD OR THE GRIPPE FROM YOUR SYSTEM IN FEW HOURS. HOQUIAM RAILWAY EMPLOYEE'S ACCOUNTS STRAIGHT. Peter Neilson Believed to Have Deserted Job Because He Feared Rebuke for Tardiness.

Says Quinine is Useless and Tells How to Break Up Worst Cold and End Grippe Misery. The most effective and harmless way to cure the Grippe or break a severe cold, either in the head, chest, back, stomach or limbs, is a dose of Paper's Cold Compound every two hours until three consecutive doses are taken.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 8.—Peter Neilson, until Thursday morning in charge of the Hoquiam office of the Gray's Harbor Railway & Light Company, has disappeared, because, it is believed by officials of the company, he was so sensitive that he could not bear to have Treasurer Wood learn that he had not completed his work for the past month.

Take this harmless Compound as directed, with the knowledge that there is no other medicine made anywhere else in the world, which will cure your cold or end Grippe misery as promptly and without any other assistance or had after effects as a 25-cent package of Paper's Cold Compound, which any druggist in the world can supply.

Those who wished to look for the last time upon the leader of the sect saw the most delicate face of a woman who looked 60 instead of 30, and whose expression was singularly peaceful and showed no sign of suffering.

If in doubt as to what to give—Purchase Gill's Gift Certificates and let the recipients select their own presents. See Them in Our Windows

George W. Glover, of Lead, S. D., son of Mrs. Eddy, and Dr. E. J. Foster Eddy, her adopted son, of Waterville, Vt., informed the Christian Science officials today that as their mother expressed to them a desire to have her body rest finally at Pleasant View, they would insist on such burial. The sons will consult with Henry M. Baker, representing the trustees of the Eddy estate, and with Archibald McLellan of the Christian Science Church tomorrow to determine the matter.

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