

# INCIDENT OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT

Garfield Astonishes Portland Hosts by Genius for Hard Work.

NOT ON A VACATION TRIP

Spends Entire Morning in Transaction of Official Business—Excursion to Oregon City is Feature of Afternoon.

Of the Roosevelt type, with a capacity for hard work that is perhaps not even surpassed by the President himself, James R. Garfield, Secretary of the Interior, is a man with a fund of information at his finger tips which amazes older men. Those who have seen him at his desk in Washington express surprise that he can clear away such a mass of business as comes to him every day. He has a genius for hard work and this is said to be his greatest asset.

Secretary Garfield is an aggressive man, with a square, prominent jaw that belies his mild blue eyes. He is lithe and spare and in condition, too, although he is 42 years old and has a son half a head taller than himself, 15-year-old John Garfield, who accompanies his father on the present trip.

While Commissioner of Corporations, Mr. Garfield probed the beef trust and the Standard Oil monopoly. He was later made the head of the Department of Commerce and Labor, in which he did such good work as Commissioner of Corporations, that when President Roosevelt was looking for a good man to succeed Secretary Hitchcock, of the Interior Department, his choice was the straight-limbed, athletic Garfield, the essence of youthful energy.

This made Secretary Garfield the youngest member of the President's official family and he is far from the least aggressive. He has been earnestly at work ever since his appointment and on his present trip through the West he is familiarizing himself with the work of the reclamation and forestry service. "This is no vacation," he said yesterday, and it is easy to believe it after realizing the amount of work that the Secretary accomplishes during the day. His Western tour will end in August in Yuma, Ariz., reputed to be the hottest place on the American continent, so it will be seen that it is no pleasure jaunt that President Roosevelt's young secretary is making through the Western states.

### His Views on Irrigation.

"Irrigation is just coming into its own," said he yesterday. "We are beginning to understand the results of this work. The projects I have seen in the West speak for themselves of the value of the scheme of conserving water and putting it on the thirsty soil where it is most needed."

"Portland has made great progress since I was here last, five years ago," he continued, "although it was then a big city. The possibilities here are immense and the future is rich in promise of what may be accomplished."



SECRETARY GARFIELD (AT THE LEFT OF THE PICTURE) TAKING AN AUTOMOBILE RIDE.

Portland's position is highly advantageous and with the increase in the number of irrigation projects and additional lands made fertile, Portland will profit to a very great extent. Nature has done very much for this section of the country.

Secretary Garfield and his party, consisting of Gifford Pinchot, Chief Forester R. A. Ballinger, Commissioner of the General Land office F. H. Newell, Director of the Reclamation Bureau, and W. J. McGee, Secretary of the Inland Waterways Commission, spent a busy day yesterday. Soon after his arrival here at 7:30 A. M., the Secretary plunged into official business and dispatched a great quantity of waiting routine. Visits were made to the local land office and the headquarters of the reclamation service, where careful examinations were made into many matters that Secretary Garfield wants to investigate.

At noon, the party gathered at the residence of Dr. Henry Waldo Coe for luncheon as the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Coe. Those who attended were: James R. Garfield, John Garfield, Gifford Pinchot, R. A. Ballinger, F. H. Newell, W. J. McGee, E. R. Piper, Senator Fulton, Congressman Hawley, Congressman Ellis, Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, R. R. Wood, and Earl Coe rendered a violin and piano duet in a charming style.

Soon thereafter, Assistant Superintendent Campbell, of the Chemawa Indian School, arrived with the Chemawa Indian band, which serenaded the Secretary and his party.

### See City From Automobiles.

Automobiles owned by J. C. Ainsworth, Julius Meier and R. R. Wood took the visitors for a ride about the city at 1:30 P. M. The Forestry Building was visited and the men from Washington expressed

their admiration for the huge rustic structure. Other parts of the city were seen and the visitors then assembled at First and Alder streets, where a special car, provided by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, took the Secretary, his subordinates and a few invited guests to Oregon City, where the locks were inspected.

The trip up was made in an open trailer with the Chemawa Indian Band on board. The return trip was made on launches owned by R. L. and O. B. Prael, A. E. Smith and Dr. Coe. The return trip soon developed into an exciting race between two fast motor boats, the Tryphosa, owned by A. M. Smith, and the Andolette, owned by the Frauds. The latter boat is said to be the faster and Secretary Garfield, who was eager to get back to Portland to attend to some more of the interminable business that follows him on his trip over the country, took a seat in the Andolette. The Tryphosa got away from the Oregon City dock first and led the Prael boat by a quarter of a mile down the river.

The boats maintained their respective places for several miles, the pilot of each craft cutting corners and trying uncharted channels with daredevil carelessness in the effort to win. The Andolette's engines commenced to limp near Milwaukie and the boat was put in at the Rock Island Club dock while a new spark plug was inserted. This gave the Tryphosa the race.

Secretary Garfield enjoyed the sport hugely. He frequently timed the forward boat to see if his craft was making any gains. At the Rock Island Club it was suggested that there would be time to rest a bit on the club veranda and get a glass of beer. Perhaps remembering the scandal aroused by Fairbanks' cocktails, Secretary Garfield firmly declined the refreshment.

### Willamette at Its Best.

The river lay dimpling and smiling in

the sun yesterday, just as if it had on its best face in honor of Secretary Garfield and his party.

"The Willamette is a beautiful river," said the Secretary to Dr. Coe. "I know of none more beautiful. Are you troubled with mosquitoes here?"

"No mosquitoes at all," promptly answered Dr. Coe, and District Attorney Bristol substantiated the statement. In fact the latter was as full of information as the proverbial megaphone man on the "rubberneck" coach. If there was anything the visitors desired to know, Mr. Bristol had the answer on the tip of his tongue. Once or twice he dealt out misfit answers and a few times he was "stumped," but when this happened he could always point off the starboard bow and shout, "Oh, did you see that salmon jump? Must have been four feet long. I'll bet he weighs 50 pounds."

"Speaking about opening the Columbia bar, I understand you are trying to close the bars here in Portland," said Secretary Garfield.

"Yes, you see that is on Sundays only," said Mr. Bristol.

### Reminded of Boyhood.

On rounding a particularly beautiful stretch of the river, the Oswego local on Southern Pacific branch came creeping through the trees along the river bank. "Ah," said the Secretary, "that reminds me of my boyhood days. We had just such engines as that and those same passenger cars, too. Aren't they cunning?"

District Attorney Bristol was speechless for once. In discussing the recent gathering at Denver of those interested in Government lands at the public lands convention, Secretary Garfield said he believed this gathering has done much good.

"It cleared the air and blew off the foam," said he, "leaving the way open for the future. While at the same time the Government's policy was vindicated

and the insurgents who wanted to change the present policy were defeated."

Those making the trip to Oregon City yesterday, in addition to visiting cabinet officers and officials were: Congressmen Hawley and Ellis, United States Attorney Bristol, E. T. Allen, R. M. Tuttle, J. M. A. Lusa, C. W. Sherman, John Minto, D. C. Henry, E. G. Hobson, H. A. Brown, James A. Holmes, R. L. Durham, Senator Fred W. Mulkey, J. C. Ainsworth, A. M. Smith, R. L. Prael, O. B. Prael, Dr. Henry Waldo Coe and R. R. Wood.

Secretary Garfield and party will leave

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## DAILY CITY STATISTICS

### Births.

ROGAWAY—To the wife of Oscar Rogaway, 354 College street, July 10, 1907, a daughter.

SIMONSEN—To the wife of Simon C. Simonsen, 1137 East Sixteenth street North, July 12, 1907, a daughter.

TRUHLINGER—To the wife of William L. Truhlinger, 94 Thirteenth street North, a daughter.

Deaths.

BOYLAN—At 222 Market street, July 12, 1907, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ora Boylan.

CLIFFORD—At 346 Eugene street, July 13, 1907, Clara Adelle Clifford, aged 7 years, 1 month, 15 days.

JONES—At 410 Manhattan street, July 11, 1907, William A. Jones, aged 47 years, 1 month, 3 days.

STORY—At 62 East Eighth street North, July 12, 1907, Elizabeth Story, aged 64 years, 6 months, 4 days.

Building Permits.

MRS. AINSWORTH—Excavating for hotel, Park, between Stark and Oak, \$2000.

JOSEPH AT HEALY (agent)—Repairing brick store, Grand, between East Washington and East Alder, \$800.

T. B. WILCOX—Retaining wall, King, corner Park avenue, \$500.

S. M. McCONNELL—One-story frame dwelling, East Fourteenth, between Mason and Skidmore, \$200.

A. W. GLAZAM—Two-story frame dwelling, East Twenty-second, between Market and Hawthorne, \$2800.

C. H. LOSEY—Two-story frame dwelling,

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Maud L. Johnson and little daughter, Frances, left July 12 for a short visit to Salt Lake City.

Miss Ivah Fosson, of St. James, Minn., is the guest of G. J. McDermott, of Portland, on the Mount Scott Railway. Miss Fosson is court stenographer in St. James.

Joseph Nash, of Nashville, on the Mount Scott Railway, has returned from Kearney, Neb., where he was called by the illness of his father, who died before the son reached his bedside.

James W. McGinn, an old and respected resident of this city, is at St. Vincent's hospital, suffering from the effects of a painful operation for a growth on his throat.

CHICAGO, July 12.—(Special).—Portland people at Chicago hotels:

Morrison—Ralph E. Moody.

Palmer House—J. W. Sherwood.

Gracie—A. J. Peterkin.

Great Northern—J. T. Townsend.

Wellington—Mrs. R. J. Peterson.

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## TEA

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SECRETARY GARFIELD AND MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY, WITH PORTLAND GUESTS, PHOTOGRAPHED ON DR. H. W. COE'S LAWN AT NOON YESTERDAY. LOWER ROW, READING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT—V. H. NEWELL, JAMES R. GARFIELD, SENATOR C. W. FULTON, DR. H. W. COE. SECOND ROW—REPRESENTATIVE W. R. ELLIS, GIFFORD PINCHOT, DR. W. J. MCGEE, E. R. PIPER, R. A. BALLINGER, J. C. AINSWORTH. TOP ROW—R. R. WOOD, REPRESENTATIVE W. C. HAWLEY.

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