GARFIELD MILDLY DEFENDS PINCHOT

Ex-Secretary Says He Thinks All Details of His Work Were Properly Done.

EX-FORESTER ENDS STORY

Ballinger's Mistakes Called "Willful Deception," but Pinchot's Errors Are but "Simple Mistakes."

Says His Counsel.

WASHINGTON. March 5 .- Gifford Pinchot concluded his part in the Ballinger-Pinchot inquiry today, and James R. Garfield, ex-Secretary of the Interior, and another prominent member of the Roosevelt "tennis Cabinet," took the

During the hour and a half he was on the stand. Mr. Garfield went into a detailed history of his administration of the Interior Department, especially with respect to the withdrawal of lands containing waterpower sites. He declared there had been no subterfuge, no dealings in the dark.

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Mr. Garneld insisted that the supervisory power of the Executive to withdraw lands from entry had existed from the beginning of the Government. As to the charge that the powersite withdrawals were too large, Mr. Garneld said he thought a great mistake had been made in not making some of them larger.

Pinchot Lacked Information.

Mr. Pinchot's story ended with a re-iteration of the statement that he had little or no personal knowledge of the things which he had called at-tention during the four days he was on the witness stand; and with a gen-

on the witness stand; and with a general defense of the Forest Scrvige.

Mr. Pinchot summed up the various "inferences" he desired the committee to draw from the documents that previously had been introduced in evidence.

The ex-Forester's final day on the stand was taken up almost entirely with "inferences and conclusions." He was examined and cross-examined as to these until members of the committee, plainly irritated by the tactics of counsel in covering the same ground

of counsel in covering the same ground again and again, pleaded for a chance to draw their own conclusions.

About the only interesting point made by Attorney Vertrees during the day was his suggestion to the committee that Mr. Pinchot had charged Mr. Pollinger with "million learning the committee that Mr. Pinchot had charged the pollinger with "million learning the committee that Mr. Pinchot had charged the charged the committee that Mr. Pinchot had charged the c Mr. Bailinger with "willful deception of the President," for a possible mis-statement, made upon information furnished by others, whereas Mr. Pin-chot, in defending himself for having made misstatements to the President, likewise on the information of others

Lack of Knowledge Readmitted.

in the closing of his cross-examination Mr. Pinchot admitted anew that he had virtually no personal knowledge of the accusations against Judge Ballinger concerning which he had testified. There was a good deal of sparring this morning, which seemed to make the complete impactions. make the committee impatient.
At the opening of the session Sen-ator Nelson, recalling the dreary session

of yesterday afternoon, suggested that counsel avoid going over the same Mr. Pinchot has charged that Mr. Ballinger appeared before a commitice of Congress in the interest of fraud-nient claimants. Vertrees sought to

show that his appearance had to do only with the new coal land law, the necessity of a new law having been urged by President Roosevelt and Secretary Garfield. Mr. Vertrees defended his course by de. claring that as Mr. Pinchot's charges were all "inferred," he was put to the secessity of trying to follow "in the path-

way of his inferences."

Mr. Pinchot would not admit that Mr.
Ballinger and Secretary Garfield were in accord in their recommendations to Con-gress, so the examination reverted to the subject of Mr. Ballinger's statement to the President, that the assumption of Glavis that patents in the Cunningham asses were held up on his protest was tot justified.

Resentment Is Charged.

Representative Graham said that after the long hours spent on the subject he did not see anything more could be brought out. Attorney Pepper protested against the delay, due to Mr. Vertrees' attempts to pin Mr. Pinchet down to first hand information. tion. He declared that he and Mr. Pinchot would have admitted in the first place that his information was based almost entirely on the documents and the testimony of other witnesses

charges were largely the result of suspicions and the resentment that rises in the bosom of a discharged public servant. Vertrees said he was trying to

e servant. Representative Madison expressed him self as getting tired of having witnesser interpret documents for him, and he pro-tested vigorously against counsel on both sides calling the attention of witnesses to written documents and asking them to construe these documents.

Mr. Vertrees finally switched to Mr. Pinchot's motives in writing the letter to Senator Dolliver, which caused his

that letter would cause your removal by BANK CLEARANCES the President?" "I thought it was about an even chance whether I would be removed or

'And you decided to take the

"You wrote that letter rather than re-sign, although the relations between you and the President were as cordial as the letters you have introduced here

"I had told the President I would not resign."

The cross-examination ended with the statement by Mr. Pinchot that he was not aware of any "movement" having for its purpose the removal of Secretary Ballinger.

To make Mr. Pinchot's position entirely clear. Mr. Pepper, on re-direct examination, asked him if his information regarding Mr. Ballinger had all been gained from documents and statements of other witnesses.

which was \$7,703,611.57.

Yesterday's clearances reached a toresponding Saturday in 1909 the total was \$946,285.84.

Mrs. T. G. Sanderson Dead.

VANCOUVER, Wash. March 5.—
(Special.)—Mrs. T. G. Snodgrass died at 6 o'clock this morning in St. Joseph's Hospital. The body was removed to the Vancouver Undertaking establishment, where funeral services will be

With one exception, that is true."
What is the exception?" asked Sen-I learned from Mr. Ballinger himself of interment.

his attitude against the leasing of coal

Forestry Methods Described.

Senator Fietcher, at the beginning of the afternoon session, questioned Mr. Pinchot regarding the general opera-tion of the Forestry Service. The Sen-ator declared that the committee was charged with the investigation of the Forest Service and he desired to get Forest Service and he desired to get something of its methods into the

Senator Neison interrogated Mr. Pinchot as to the water-power sites and spoke of the famous James River (Missouri) water-power bill which President Roosevelt vetoed.

dent Roosevelt vetoed.

"I'd like to ask a personal question, but I won't," concluded Senator Nelson, "Go ahead," said Mr. Pinchot.

"Did you induce President Roosevelt to send in that veto message?"

"I don't know if I induced it," replied Mr. Pinchot amid laughter, "but I certainly advised him to."

"I might go further and ask if you wrote the message or gave the information upon which it was written?" continued Senator Nelson.

"That, Senator, I'm afraid comes within the prohibition of the committee as to conversations with the President."

dent."
Representative James—I would suggest that If we are investigating Mr. Roosevelt we ought to give him a chance to be present.
Representative Graham—He'll probably be back before we get through and can speak for himself.
The room was in an uproar of laughter at this unusual colloquy.
Mr. Pinchot was excused from the stand at 3.50 P. M. and ex-Secretary of the Interior Garfield was called. the Interior Garfield was called.

DISPENSARY KEPT BUSY

Committee Reports 455 Patients Treated-Daily Average, 20.

A meeting of the committee in charge of the Free Dispensary was held at the People's Institute Friday, when full reports of the work were made. Affiliated with the People's Institute in conducting this work are the Visiting Nurse Association and the U. of O.

Medical Department, of which Dr. Josephi is dean. Josephi is dean.

The reports showed 242 cases were registered, 271 surgical dressings given, 112 medical cases cared for, 59 eye, ear or throat treatments, adn four obstetrical cases, making a total of 455 treatments given. Three physicians and four medical students are in daily attendance when the dispensary is open, and the average daily attendance is 20.

Patients represent all nationalities, and are sent by various organizations. They pay a registration fee of 10 cents,

They pay a registration fee of 10 cents, and are only treated free when they are unable to pay. The committee in charge of the dispensary is: Dr. slackenzie, Dr. Tucker, Dr. Story, Dr. Lineus, Mrs. A. T. Biles, Mrs. S. Frank, Miss Virginia Wilson, Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. A. H. Tanner, Mrs. Frichard, Mrs. T. B. Wilcox, Fietcher Linn and A. S. Pattulo.

PORTLAND IS ONLY OUTLET

East-Bound Trains From California Continue Coming This Way.

All California mail for Northern and Northwestern portions of the United States continues to pass through Port-iand. Mail cars which have heretofore been sent directly East from San Francisco to Ogden are now routed through the Portland gateway, and are in charge of the mail clerks who would be sent out

over the other route from the Bay City. Yesterday five mail cars were sent to Ogden by way of Fortland.

A large quantity of mail matter is collected by the mail cars running regularly to Portland, which would go to San Francisco were the connections open each of cisco were the connections open east of that city. These pouches are being transferred at the Central tSation mail

Easterly mails are moving in and out of the Portland office as nearly on time usual, the great congestion caused by delays on the railroads has been worked and distributed. Friday than 450 sacks of papers and parcels awaited attention, a swell as 200,000 letters. Last night not a trace of the heap of matter appeared on the surface.

FIRST COLONISTS ARRIVE

Tourists From East Glad to See Bare Ground at Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., March 5.—(Special.)—The first installment of Spring coloniats arrived in Pendleton this morning, and all day long the trains have been pouring them into the Northwest through the Eastern Oregon gateway by the

nousands.
Some had been delayed by slides and Some had been delayed by slides and washouts. Some had come straight through from their destinations. Some were going to points in Western Washington and Oregon, and some were destined for California, but all were delighted to reach the West.

Their sight of Oregon soil was the first ground that many of them had seen in months and as the trains stopped at the different Eastern Oregon stations to-day they would literally pour from their cars to bask in the sunshine.

MESS PORK 1 1 STORED

Away at Santa Ana, Cal.

DAYTON, Wash, March 5.—(Special.)

News was received here yesterday of the death of George Barclay, 65 years old, a ploneer of Columbia County, at Santa Ana, Cal. Relatives living here left last night for Santa Ana.

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Mr. Barclay was one of the early settlers at Dayton. The family lived on a farm two miles east of town for 25 years. Mr. Barclay was a veteran of the Civil War. He leaves a wife and four children. Mrs. Ed Clanville. "I wrote it because I thought it wise that the cases of Messrs. Price and Shaw should be presented at the same time as Mr. Wickersham's defense of Mr. Ballinger, and because Mr. Doiliver asked me to."

"Did you consider

Those for Week and Day Show Increase Over 1909.

Bank clearings last week in Portland reached an aggregate of \$8,944,-902.33. This was a gain over the corresponding week of 1909 of more than \$1,290,000 for the total one year ago, which was \$7,703,511.57.

ment, where funeral services will be held. The body will be placed in a vault for about 60 days, when it will be removed by the husband to the East

HARMONY KEYNOTE OF TAFT'S REGIME

By Skillful Handling of Congress, Keeping of Party Pledges Is Assured.

EFFORT CENTERS IN HOUSE

Future Success of President Depends Upon Continuance of Republican Majority in Lower Branch of National Legislature.

(Concluded From First Page.) efforte le adequate testimonial to the

wisdom of his judgment. He came into office finding the majority in Congress inclined to be hostile. He himself was committed to the "Roosevelt policies, many of which had been rejected by the last Congress. The leaders, with few exeptions, had not favored his nomination and were not expected to lend him cordial

But he overcame this opposition by sending for and conferring with these leaders, discuseing with them policies and methods of carrying them out; impressing upon them the interests of the party and of the country for which they were largely responsible, so that in the end they were with him. By this policy he succeeded; had he undertaken to pursue the Roosevelt method, the Executive and Congress would be as far apart to-

and Congress would be as far apart teday as they were one year ago, when
Mr. Roosevelt retired.

Up to the present moment, no highly
important legislation has been written on the statute books under the
Taft administration, except the tariff
bill. It is not yet time for other results, as no general legislation, other
than tariff, was considered at the special session, and the present regular
session has not sufficiently advanced
to expect final results.

Tariff Pledge Kept.

But even in the passage of the tariff bill President Taft accomplished much. It was he alone who was responsible for the enactment of the law last Summer, for Congress met in extrassession, at his call, which was made in fulfillment of one of the pledges of the party platform. It is to the President's credit that he speedily disposed of the tariff question, for it took nerve to face that issue at a time when Congress was hostile to the executive, and likely to thwart the will of the President and the will of the people.

Roosevelt very adroitly sidetracked tariff revision while he was in office, for he knew full well that no matter how the tariff might be revised, the Administration would be assalled, and he did not care to be the subject of such censure. The demand was as great in the last years of his term as at the beginning of Taft's, but he preferred that revision should come under his successor.

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It was while the tariff bill was pending that President Taft won over the party leaders, and laid the foundation for the perfect harmony that has since been brought about. When that fight started, the President let it be known that in his judgment there should be some other medium than customs duties for replenishing the Federal treasury. Three plans were proposed—the inheritance tax, the income tax and the corporation tax. Early he expressed his preference for the latter.

Aldrich Feels Power.

And Aldrich started out to defy the Administration. But before long he found that the Senate was preparing to override his committee, and substitute the income tax for the inheritance tax, and he feared the House would accept the change with

tance tax, and he feared the House would accept the change. When he became convinced that a majority of the Senate would adopt an income tax amendment, he appealed to the President. He went voluntarily to the White House begging support.

President Tatt retreated his preference for a corporation tax, and urged Aidrich to support it. Finally the Rhode Island Senator said he would support it if a two-year limitation should be imposed; he would take it as a temporary expedient, not that he wanted it, but that he wanted to kill the income tax amendment.

"No," replied the President. "I will not consent to any two-year agreement. It must be unrestricted as to the time of its operation. But that is not all. I want provision made for consentations.

It must be unrestricted as to the time of its operation. But that is not all. I want provision made for a constitutional amendment which will remove all doubt as to the right of the Government, in time of need, to impose and collect an income tax. Nor is that all. I want assurance tax. Nor is that all. I want assurance from you that Senator Root will not only support this provision in the Senate, but use his influence with the New York Legislature to induce that body to ratify the constitutional amendment when it is proposed. And I also want a tariff commission."

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Aldrich left, saying he would not consent to any such terms. But when he got back to the Senate he weak-ened. The next day Senator Crane, of Massachusetts, called on President Taft as the emissary of Aldrich, to announce that all the requirements of the Chief Executive would be met if the President would lend his ald to put through the corporation tax, in lieu of the pending income tax amendment. And all parties to that agreement have "made good." The President sent in a message urging the adoption of the corporation tax amendment, Aldrich and others supported the clause submitting the income tax question to the states, and within the past few days Senator Root has addressed a letter to a member of the New York Legislature strongly urging ratification by that Legislature of the proposed income tax amendment to the Constitution.

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This incident is cited to show the predicament in which the mighty Aldrich found himself—utterly helpless to restrain the Senate—and to demonstrate the manner in which the President, after bringing Aldrich to his terms, was able to weld the party together in support of his own plan, and to put it through.

In insisting upon the corporation tax the President maintained it was not only needed to raise revenue, but to place in the hands of the Government actual and correct figures as to the producing trust-made and other made articles, the profits

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facts collected by the tariff commission (another Taft victory), so that it will be possible in future, in reducing duties, to determine positively whether the reduction will rob the producers or the

manufacturers of just profits. Different Feeling Reigns.

When Congress reassembled in December the old antagonism felt by the party leaders towards the President had entirely disappeared. In ad-dition to what he did while the tariff bill was pending, the President had made a tour of the country, had stood Aldrich Feels Power.

The House of Representatives adopted the inheritance tax. The Senate finance committee promptly killed it. Then the President sent for Senator aldrich. The latter stated very plainly that he would accept none of the propositions, and announced that his committee would stand by him.

"All right," said the President gress, set forth those things which he committee would stand by him. the President, in his message to Con-"All right," said the President, gress, set forth those things which he "Yours is the legislative branch; go ahead." Congress set to work to carry out a Congress set to work to carry out a major portion of the Administration

It was never expected by the Presi

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would be done in one session; no Ad-ministration's complete legislative programme has ever been put through in a single session. But before adjournment it probably will be found that those things on which the President is most insistent—amendment to the interstate commerce law, postal savings bank, statehood for Arizona and New Mexico, regulation of the issuance of injunctions and some of the

the statute books.

In another important particular the Taft administration has accomplished remarkable results; in the curtailment been to appropriate laysing, and to on Ballinger, but the bold manner in the expend recklessly. But all this has which he disposed of Pinchot when been checked. President Taft personally directed every member of his Cabinet last November to scale their estimates, which form the basis of appropriations this session, and in accordance with his directions every item.

suance of injunctions and some of the like any new administration, has made conservation bills—will be written on blunders, but it is questionable if they of needless expenditures of public long on any problems that have commoney. The tendency of late years has fronted him, notably the Pinchot fight been to appropriate lavishly, and to on Ballinger, but the bold manner in expend recklessly. But all this has which he disposed of Pinchot when been checked. President Taft per-

the corporations are earning, and the dent that everything he recommended that could be sacrificed without impairdividends they are paying. Coupled would be done in one session; no Adwith this information will come the ministration's complete legislative prothat could be sacrificed without impairing the service was cut out, and all
that could be reduced were cut to the
bone. In this alone the President will
save the Government millions of dollars, but the exact amount will not be
known until the appropriation bills
have been passed, and their items totated.

Blunders Not Serious.

It is true the Taft administration will redound to the permanent injury of the President or the party. Being a man of judicial temperament, Presi-dent Taft has been prone to deliberate

nerve, and his determination to run his own administration, probably did as much to popularize him with the people as any single act of his Presidential career. In like manner, the development of affairs in the Taft administration, as a whole, is steadily growing in popularity as the success of the plans become more and more apparent.

As to the future, no man can tell. The foundation for success apparently is well between the executive and the legisaltive branches there is every reason to believe that ulti-mately the Administration's legislative, programme will go through, though it, may take two or three sessions to work

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