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BALLINGER DISREGARDS COMMITTEE

Denies All Charges of Misconduct and Reiterates Statement That He Will Remain in Public Life—Judge Hanford Makes a Speech Defending the Secretary.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 8.—Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger, before 600 members of the Commercial and Arctic clubs last night, again voiced his determination to continue in office and to disregard all public clamor for his retirement. In declaring his attitude on conservation, the secretary made it clear that he was following the policies of the president of the United States, and his manner of enunciating the word "president" left no room to doubt his antipathy to any policies of an ex-president.

He said that the one great requisite of the honest, patriotic American today was the courage of his convictions, the courage to withstand the fanaticism and muckraking of the dishonest leaders of the irresponsible mob. It was a time when America had greatest need of sanity to combat the "isms" that were abroad in the land. He advocated a strict following of the law and the constitution for the perpetuation of the government.

Speaking in connection with the action of members of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee at Minneapolis yesterday, when a resolution censuring the secretary of the interior was brought up, Ballinger said:

"With my consciousness of rectitude in every act, public and private, and with my determination to go forward in the same path, I do not fear the criticism of any man or set of men."

"It has been said that the criticism of men, whether true or untrue, has made me unfit to hold office. If this is the case, then every public

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COMMITTEE IS MEETING SUCCESS

Nearly \$1000 Has Been Raised With Which to Insure Exhibition of Fruit at the National Apple Show at Spokane.

Nearly \$1000 has been pledged for the purpose of assisting local orchardists in making an exhibit at the National Apple Show in Spokane this fall, according to a report made to the Commercial club at its regular meeting Wednesday night. Two cars are to be shipped to the show if plans do not miscarry, one of Spitzberg's and the other of Newtown Pippins. In order that fancy fruit be available for exhibition purposes in the spring the secretary of the club was instructed to purchase 50 half boxes of fruit and place it in cold storage. The committee appointed to expert the books of Secretary Conrad reported that they had found everything satisfactory. Steps are to be taken soon to force payment of all delinquent dues or names will be stricken from the membership rolls.

Guilty of Two Murders.

CANTON, O., Sept. 8.—Clatus Wilaman was found guilty of murder in the first degree for the killing of Mr. and Mrs. Warren E. Koons, Mrs. Wilaman's parents. The jury made no recommendation of mercy and the verdict carried with it the death penalty. Wilaman was arrested in Chicago a few days after the murder last April.

CRIPPEN ON TRIAL MUCH AGITATED

Announcement That Chemists for Crown Have Discovered Poison in Mutilated Body Causes Doctor Much Anxiety—Has Worn and Haggard Appearance.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, the American dentist, accused of the murder of his wife, Belle Elmore Crippen, was plainly agitated today when the hearing of his case was resumed in the Bow street police court.

Evidently the announcement that chemists for the crown had discovered evidences of hyocain in the mutilated body dug from the cellar of the Crippens' North London home, and which is alleged by the government to have been the body of Mrs. Crippen, has caused the doctor much anxiety. He was startled Tuesday by the announcement that traces of the drug had been found and today he was worn and haggard looking when the hearing was resumed.

He conversed with Miss Levene while the trial was in progress today, speaking of the discovery to her. The girl, who fled to America with the doctor, shows signs of the strain of the trial, and her answers were short and she seemed to pay little attention to the utterances of the accused man.

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TROOPS LAND TO PRESERVE ORDER

PANAMA, Sept. 8.—Two hundred matines and eight rapid fire guns were landed today from the United States cruiser Tacoma to prevent any outbreak at Friday's election. The situation here is considered grave. Trouble is almost certain to ensue, it is believed, and rioting of a serious nature is feared.

Colonel Goethals, chief engineer in charge of the construction of the Panama canal, thinks that American annexation may be necessary. The radicals are deemed unfit to govern and the election of Samuel Lewis, leader of the conservatives, is regarded as the only way out of the difficulty.

Klaw to Tour Northwest.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Marc Klaw, the theatrical manager and magnate, member of the firm of Klaw & Erlanger, who, with Charles Frohman and smaller managers, typify the so-called trust, will start on a tour of the northwest Saturday.

CONVENTION WILL CLOSE TONIGHT

Delegates to Conservation Congress Decide to Eliminate Sessions Tomorrow and to Declare Formal Adjournment—Forester Allen of Oregon Makes a Speech.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 8.—The resolutions committee of the national conservation congress today by a vote of 43 to 3 adopted a plank in its report favoring the federal control of power sites.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 8.—Tonight will see the closing session of the 1910 conservation congress.

Shortly after the delegates had been called to order today by President Baker, it was decided to eliminate the sessions planned for tomorrow and to declare formal adjournment tonight.

The introduction of politics into conservation affairs was the subject of addresses by Forester Allen of Oregon, J. W. Whipple of New York

Moissant, After Flight Across English Channel, Plans Aluminium Aeroplane.



John Moissant, the young American aviator who recently flew from Paris to within a few miles of London, England, alighting but once on French soil after he left the capital, now has a plan for the construction of an aluminium flying machine, which, he declares, will be superior to all others now in use. Moissant uses the monoplane instead of the biplane style of air craft, and his success in reaching England tends to prove that the less planes there are to manipulate the less trouble there is for the aviator.

JUDGE CALKINS STOPS ASHLAND FROM INTERFERING WITH THE WORK OF HOME TELEPHONE COMPANY

Circuit Judge F. M. Calkins Thursday morning issued a temporary restraining order enjoining the city of Ashland from interfering with any work which the Home Telephone company may wish to carry on in that city. The company went into court this morning and started suit to do away with certain action taken by the Ashland city council. Colvig

& Reames appear for the plaintiff. The suit follows difficulty which the company has been having recently with Ashland. At a recent meeting of the city council a report was brought in by a committee stating that the company had not performed the necessary amount of work in the city to hold a franchise voted them some months ago by the people, and recommended that it be declared null and void. The council at that time simply adopted the report. At a later meeting the mayor issued orders to the chief of police to arrest any workmen who might attempt to carry on work under the franchise. The company has now carried the case into court and an order restraining the Ashland officials has been ordered. The case will be heard soon.

Dog Show Soon.

SAN MATEO, Cal., Sept. 8.—The largest field ever entered will compete in the sixth annual bench show of the San Mateo Kennel club, which opens on the grounds of the Peninsula hotel next Sunday afternoon.

TED REFUSES TO BREAK BREAD WITH LORIMER

Emphatically Declines to Sit at the Same Table With Illinois Senator. Who is Accused of Buying His Way into Senate.

FREEMPORT, Ill., Sept. 8.—Theodore Roosevelt today emphatically declined to sit at a table with Senator Lorimer of Illinois at the banquet tonight to be given in Roosevelt's honor by the Hamilton club of Chicago.

Lorimer's election to the senate and subsequent charges of irregularities resulted in legislative and court charges, some of which are now pending, and the calling to task of certain legislators alleged to have been concerned in the matter.

Upon learning that Lorimer would attend the dinner tonight, Roosevelt said:

"Lorimer represents the antithesis

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Native Sons Gather.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—Seventy-five thousand visiting Native Sons and Daughters thronged the streets today preparing to celebrate tomorrow the 60th anniversary of California's birth as a state.

ACTION VOID SAYS SUTHERLAND

Member of Ballinger Investigation Committee Says Action Taken Wednesday is of No Effect—Another Meeting is to Be Held Tomorrow—More Members Will Be Present.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 8.—"As far as the real effect on the action of the committee and its findings," said Senator Sutherland, a member of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee, who with Representative McCall of Massachusetts, bolted yesterday before a vote was taken on the resolution censuring the secretary of the interior, "the members might as well have framed their resolution on the street corner and told the nearest policeman."

Senator Sutherland admitted that the anti-Ballinger members stole a march on the friends of the secre-

tary and that the action yesterday was a surprise.

Both Sutherland and McCall, in their statements, did not intimate that they considered the resolution unjust, but it is believed that both will support Ballinger when the final vote is taken.

REGISTER! LIST AS YET VERY LOW

Medford List Not as Great by 700 as Last Year—Total in County by 2064, While at the Last Election 5000 Voted—Republicans Are in a Majority.

With the date for closing the registration books only six days distant Medford lacks 700 names of having as large a registration as last year.

Other districts of the county are in as bad a way, although everything possible has been done to remind the voters that the registration books are soon to be closed, there is no increase in the number registering. To date 2064 have registered in the county, which at the last election over 5000 voted.

Last year Medford had over 800 registered voters in each of her two precincts. Thus far less than 1000 have come forward to assert their right as citizens.

Figures in Ashland precincts as segregated in the county clerk's office show that over four republicans are registering to every democrat, and that socialists, prohibitionists and independents are running neck and neck in the race as far as numbers are concerned, each representing about one-seventeenth of the republican registration.

WILL SHOW WHY TED DID NOT PROSECUTE

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—The New York World today prints the first of a series of articles by George E. Earle, former receiver of the Pennsylvania Refining company, designed to show that Theodore Roosevelt, when president, refused to prosecute the sugar trust. The articles are being written, Earle says, because of Roosevelt's attack on the supreme court of the United States.

According to the story printed today, Earle says that he asked Roosevelt and Charles Bonaparte, then attorney-general, to proceed against the trust. Both refused to take any action, he says.

Six Victims in a Duel.

LAYTON, Okla., Sept. 8.—According to a report received here, five men and one woman have either been killed or seriously wounded in a duel which took place about 16 miles from Waters. A Bueley and two Rawls brothers are said to have been the principals.

FIRES WERE SET SAYS ERICKSON

No Doubt in Supervisor's Mind But That Firebugs Caused Much of the Damage Done in Crater Forest—Several Started Where No Hunters Would Have Gone.

That the recent forest fires which have been sweeping over the different sections of the Crater national forest were set is the belief of M. L. Erickson, supervisor of the forest, who reached Medford today from "the front," where he has been directing the fight against the flames for the past month.

"The fires were undoubtedly set out," states Mr. Erickson, "as unmistakable evidence of this fact has been found. Fire started in places where no hunter would penetrate. I have hopes that a few of the miscreants will be found and prosecuted."

"It was very discouraging to fight fire for 20 or 24 hours and then when your worn-out men tried to snatch a moment's sleep to find that new fires were started. One night six, to my knowledge, were set out."

Back to Portland.

Assistant Forester Buck of the Portland office, who has been in charge of the work here while Mr. Erickson was in the field, will leave soon for Portland. Mr. Buck won much credit for himself in handling his work in this city and renewed his former acquaintances here, having been in charge of the Crater forest previous to his promotion. To his generalship was due the early checking of the fires which raged on every hand on his arrival.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 8.—Francis J. Heney, at present a practicing New York attorney, has taken the stump against James A. Tawney, candidate for congress in the first Minnesota district. Tawney is opposed by Sydney Anderson, a young lawyer.

PLAT FILED OF ROGUELANDS, INC.

One Hundred and Ninety-three Forty-Acre Blocks Are Shown on the Plat Filed with the County Recorder.

Fred N. Cummings, manager of Roguelands, Inc., has filed the plat of the company's property with the recorder of Jackson county.

The plat shows 193 40-acre blocks, with streets on every side. The county roads including what is known as "The Desert Boulevard" are 60 feet wide, while all other streets are 40 feet.

Roguelands irrigated orchard tracts will be plowed, leveled, irrigated and set to trees. Each 40-acre tract as shown by the plat will be fenced with a Page wire fence with white posts.

The company has already contracted for the development of 600 acres of the area, and these tracts will be plowed and leveled the coming season.

Mr. Cummings has just authorized the sales department of the company to place on the market a small payment development contract, and in view of the fact that there have been so many applications for orchards on the small payment plan, the company feels certain that a large number of these contracts will be sold locally, for the payments are so small that nearly anyone who can save a few dollars every month to meet the payments can now become the owner of an orchard.