

CLEARINGS
Bank clearings today were
\$44,708.25.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER
Occasional rains tonight.
Bar. 29.84; Temp. mean 50

FORTIETH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1911.

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BALLINGER RESIGNS FROM TAFT CABINET

PINCHOT MAN SUCCESSOR

Resignation Follows Report That Democrats, Lead by Ollie James, Were Planning to Investigate Charges Against Him.

CAREER IN CABINET HAS BEEN A STORMY ONE

His Friendliness to Interests Brought Storm of Censure About His Head—Cunningham Cases Responsible.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—Richard Achilles Ballinger has resigned as secretary of the interior after holding the position for two stormy years. He handed his resignation to President Taft and it was announced today that the president has selected Walter F. Fisher of Chicago as successor to Ballinger. With the announcement of Ballinger's resignation it became known that he resigned January 19, but withheld it at Taft's request until congress adjourned. Yesterday Ballinger wrote a second formal letter of resignation which President Taft accepted this morning. Ballinger's resignation follows the publication of a report that the democrats, headed by Representative Ollie James of Kentucky were preparing to impeach Ballinger as soon as congress convened April 4.

Fisher Is Pinchot Man.

Fisher, the new secretary, is a Pinchot conservationist. His selection is regarded here as an attempt to placate the progressives and an endeavor on the part of the president to restore peace in the conservation war. The National Conservation League, of which Fisher was president, was merged with the National Conservation association, the organized opposition of the Ballinger land policies. Fisher is now honorary vice-president of that organization of which Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester, Overton Price, formerly associate assistant forester, discharged with Pinchot by President Taft because of their activity against Ballinger, is an active associate of Fisher. The new secretary has been active in the conservation movement since its inception.

"I feel better than I have felt in two years," said Ballinger as he left the cabinet meeting today. "I will get ready to leave for Seattle as soon as possible. That is all I can say now."

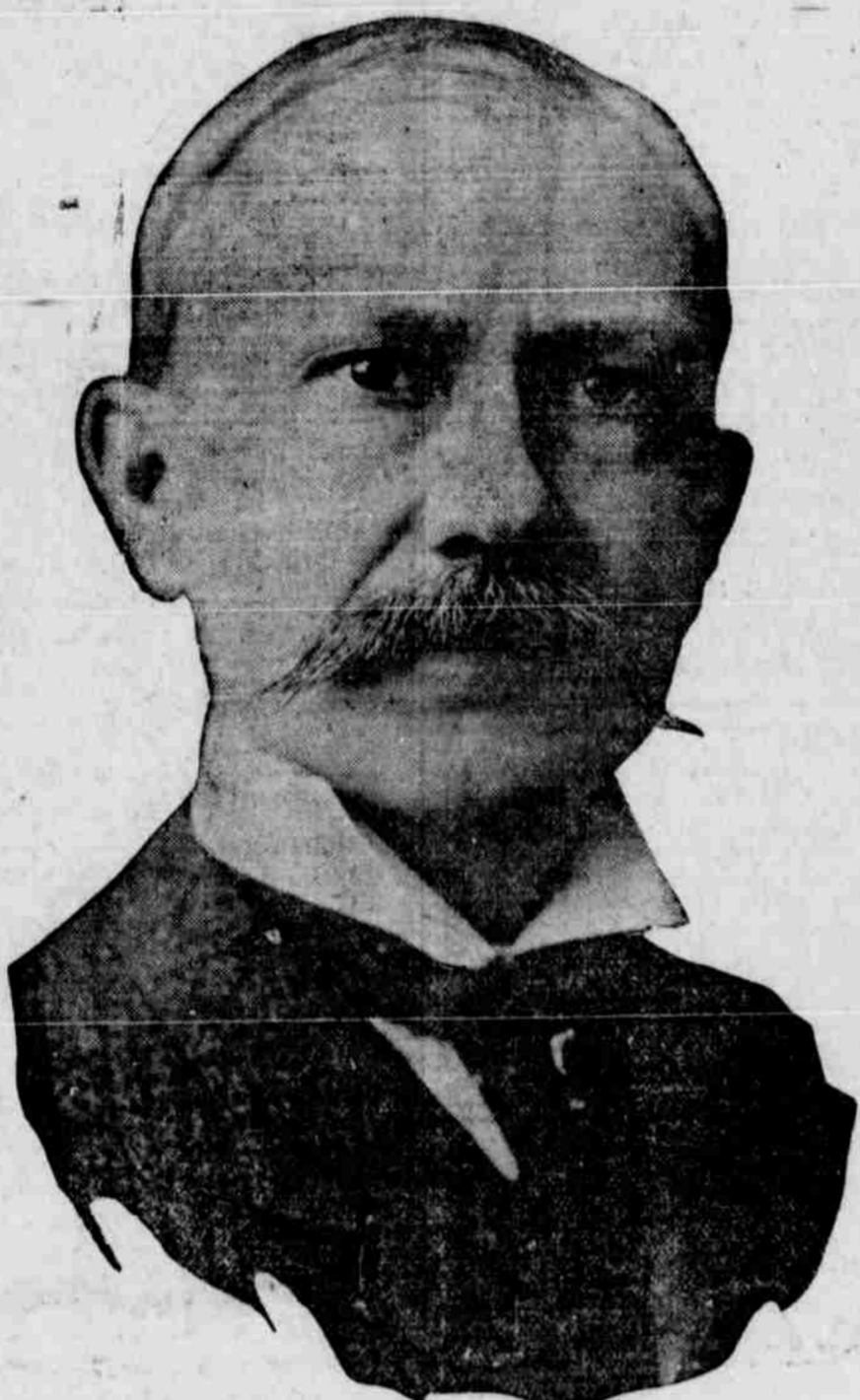
The career of Ballinger as secretary of the interior has been a stormy one since his appointment by President Taft in 1909. The first year of his incumbency was fruitful of allegations toward the vested interests hampered him in an unbiased administration of his department. These charges were more or less somnolent until the inception of the Cunningham case, involving the title to thousands of acres of coal lands in Alaska, valued at untold millions which had been discovered by Arthur Cunningham, and which, it is alleged, he had parceled out amongst his friends, but also among many men high in political life.

The evidence brought out at this hearing, which was first instituted in Denver, and afterward transferred to Seattle, was the foundation for the famous Ballinger-Pinchot controversy which resulted in the dismissal of Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot from the service, and also the ending of the official life of Louis R. Glavis, a government special agent, whose report on the Cunningham claims was greatly to the disadvantage of the claimants, who were bending every effort to prove up on them.

Ballinger was the attorney for the Cunningham claimants before he became secretary of the interior and up to the time of his accepting that office had worked diligently to have the title of Cunningham and his as-

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Skeered o' th' Dimmy-crats



RICHARD ACHILLES BALLINGER
Who Resigned Today From the Cabinet of President Taft.

WAR GAME IS TO BE PLAYED

Over 20,000 Troops and Four Armored Cruisers Will Take Part in Military Game to Be Played on Mexican Border in Few Weeks.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—A great military and naval demonstration involving 20,000 troops and four armored cruisers was ordered by the United States today to be made immediately on the Mexican frontier.

Though officials refused to discuss the possibility of troops being sent across the international line, it is known that the state department had been considering the possibility of such action for several days.

As the state department openly admits its support of the established government of Mexico, the Diaz government, and as American capitalists largely through concessions from Diaz aggregating more than \$100,000,000 in Mexico, it is believed here that the demonstration is against the Madero revolution.

The action was taken following the return of Ambassador Wilson from Mexico City and coincident with a cabinet meeting at which General Wood, chief of staff, was present. The state of mind of the officials of shown by the action of General Wood in leaving the White House by way of a French window to escape newspaper men. A combined naval and military mimic attack on Galveston is one of the features of the great "war game" which it is planned to play. The officials assert that the movement of troops is purely for technical use but the sudden dispatch of one-fourth of the entire army to the Mexican border is not accepted here as a mere practice maneuver.

Has Three Wives.

BURLINGTON, Kas., March 7.—Clyde Frazee, in jail here charged with bigamy today admitted that he had three wives. One, he says, lives in Kansas City, Kas., one at Butler, Mo., and one in Derby, Kas.

NEW OFFICERS FOR MERCHANTS

Local Association Met Last Night and Elected Officers for Coming Year—Credit Rating List of County is to Be Published by April 1.

The local merchants' association held their annual meeting Monday evening and elected officers for the ensuing year. H. C. Garnett is president, M. J. Reddy vice president and H. A. Thorolf, treasurer, J. H. Carlin, secretary.

The secretary was instructed to compile and publish a credit rating list of Jackson county and to have the same ready by April first.

PRISON DOORS SWING ON RUEF

Stay of Execution Ends and Curly Headed Ex-Boss Leaves for San Quentin—Long Fight to Keep Out Ends in Failure.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 7.—Abe Ruef's long fight to keep out of the state penitentiary has ended in failure. At 1:45 this afternoon, accompanied by Charles Haggerty, his office clerk, Chief Jailer McAuley and Jail Superintendent Carroll of San Francisco, left here for San Quentin to begin serving a 14-year term.

Ruef's seven-day stay of execution granted a week ago by Judge Lawlor, expired at 10 a. m. today. Attorney Kean, who has been the leader in the fight to keep Ruef out of prison, after a long conference with Judge Lawlor announced that no further stay would be asked as Lawlor held out no hope.

The prisoner was taken to the penitentiary in a taxicab

TO COMPLETE CRATER LAKE ROAD AT ONCE

Four Banks of Medford and Colonel Frank Ray Underwrite Subscriptions to Permit Construction to Be Rushed to Completion.

ENGINEER HEIDEL LEAVES; COUNTY COMPLETES ROAD

Over 4000 Feet of Road is Opened—Contractor Says Work Can Be Finished in Sixty Days.

That section of the Crater Lake highway now under construction, will be completed at once. The four banks of Medford, together with Colonel Frank Ray, will underwrite the subscriptions for \$10,000. The work will be done under supervision of W. W. Harmon, county road engineer, and Jackson county will put up the balance of money needed to finish the highway. F. E. Merrick of the Medford National Bank, was appointed trustee for the underwriters.

The above was the result of numerous conferences held Tuesday between members of the Crater lake highway commission, Judge Neil, Colonel Ray, and Messrs. Crowell, Vawter, Merrick and Davis, representing the four banks.

At a meeting of the Crater lake highway commission held Monday, it was decided to use every effort to hasten construction of the Punice hill section now being built, and to this end Colonel Ray offered to underwrite the subscriptions for a third of the cash required, provided local banks underwrote the balance, so that the grade could be completed before the summer travel began. It is the intention to ask the subscribers who do not care to pay their entire subscriptions now, to sign notes payable June 1, when the subscription is due, and upon these notes, the money will be advanced.

The accounts of the commission showed approximately 75 subscribers delinquent on first payment. Altogether \$15,000 in subscriptions including those delinquent, will be due June 1. There has been expended to date, including \$1000 received from the county, \$6500 in actual construction. To complete the grade and surface the road will require the \$15,000 additional. With a small crew the work cannot be done at a profit, but rushing it through, with a large force will save money.

It was decided to turn the supervision of the highway over to the county, now that a road engineer has been appointed, and to ask the cooperation of the county. Engineer B. F. Heidel asking to be relieved as the department of good roads could not spare him longer for this work. All the surveys and work has been under his jurisdiction.

Mr. Heidel stated that 4000 feet of the grade had been opened up, that 2000 feet had been finished, but not surfaced, and that approximately 35 per cent of the work had been done. Contractor Natwick stated that he could, if the money was available, finish construction in 60 days.

Colonel Ray offered to underwrite \$5000 out of the \$15,000 subscriptions due or \$3500 out of \$10,000 provided the balance was underwritten, as an emergency proposition.

"I do this," said Colonel Ray, "because I don't want to see the road fall through, because I want Medford to succeed in whatever it undertakes, and I know of no worse black eye the community could receive than to fail in this effort."

TAKING THE NORTH WEST EAST OREGON CAR ATTRACTS CROWDS



OREGON EXHIBIT BY GREAT NORTHERN RY. AT WESTERN LAND PRODUCTS EXHIBIT, HELD IN OMAHA, NEB. RECENTLY.

"The way to get people into the northwest is to take the northwest to them." This is what President Hill of the Great Northern has done for Oregon by completely equipping a car with Oregon products and sending it on a 7000 mile tour through the eastern states with traveling representatives in charge who are well versed on western conditions. The interest this car has created everywhere on its tour through Michigan, eastern Ohio and southern Indiana has been nothing short of wonderful. Oregon is bound to gain from this practical publicity, and the value of it can only be reckoned when the colonist period is over and some idea can be had of the number of new settlers brought into the state.

The following reports of the traveling immigration agents in charge of Oregon's exhibition car were furnished by E. C. Leedy, general immigration agent of the Great Northern railway.

Greenwood, Ind.—Fifteen hundred visitors, a great many of whom were farmers, a large per cent of interest was for homesteads in Oregon. The hall where the stereopticon lecture was held in the evening was crowded, and some were turned away. The apple display in the car is drawing many favorable comments.

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CITY LIMITS TO BE EXTENDED

Additions to City North and South of Jacksonville Road, Just West of City Seeks Admission Into the City.

Petitions for the calling of a special election for the purpose of admitting adjoining territory into the city are being generally circulated, and signed in the city today.

The territory it is proposed to take into the city lies north and south of the Jacksonville road just west of the city. Several additions there ask to be admitted.

SCANDAL STIRS ARMY CIRCLES

Captain is Dismissed After Secret Court Martial—Beautiful Woman is Dragged Into Case—Trouble Occurred on Shipboard.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 7.—With the assertion that he did not have a trial, friends of Captain Guy H. B. Smith, who was dismissed from the army after a secret court martial, are today doing everything in their power to have the case re-opened. They assert their faith that Captain Smith will be cleared eventually.

Mrs. Barnette, wife of Lieutenant Colonel George L. Barnette of the marine corps, will again be the center of interest in case a new trial is obtained for Captain Smith. It was for alleged offenses reported by Mrs. Barnette that Captain Smith was brought to trial. Every effort was made to withhold Mrs. Barnette's identity from public knowledge, all the officers participating in the trial being sworn to secrecy. Notwithstanding this effort, Mrs. Barnette's name came into the case.

DIAZ IS SAID TO BE PASSING AWAY

Diaz of This Given as Cause for Mobilization of American Troops on Border—If Aged President Dies Government Will Pass.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—Representatives of the Madero revolution in Mexico this afternoon declared that the United States has received secret information that President Diaz is in danger of dying at any time; that his advanced age and enfeebled condition make the end of his career a matter of a very short time. On the theory that the nations of Europe of Europe will look to Uncle Sam to maintain order in Mexico when Diaz dies, the revolutionists explained the hasty mobilization of the army and navy at the Mexican frontier. It is an admitted fact that no man exists in the Diaz government who can hold the administration together when Diaz relinquishes his iron grip.

SOLONS COME TO BLOWS; FIGHT OVER SCHOOL FUND

BOISE, Ida., March 7.—A pugilistic encounter between two senators enlivened the Sunday session of the senate far beyond the wildest expectations of even the most bloodthirsty. Senators Page of Bonner and Day of Moscow were the belligerents and today Page has a bruised and lacerated face while Day sports a black eye.

The trouble between the senators arose over the appropriation provision for the state educational institutions. Day said the University of Idaho was composed of a "pack of robbers" and that Page was "the worst of the lot," then the trouble began.

The schools of the state will receive substantial appropriations. A want ad campaign will get you acquainted with a lot of people who want to buy homes—and the home you want to sell would surely suit some of them.

NEW ORDINANCE PROVIDES A \$400 CLUB LICENSE

License Committee Places Model Liquor Ordinance in Hands of City Attorney for Final Drawing—May be Presented to City Council Tonight.

DRUG STORES MUST PAY OR NOT SELL BOOZE

Cards and Dice to Go—Screens Must Come Down—Closing Hour Comes Earlier.

Providing for a license for clubs and drug stores at \$400 a year and prohibiting them from selling liquor on Sundays, doing away with cards and dice, as well as booths and tables in saloons, fixing the closing hour between 11 and 12 o'clock at night, doing away with all screens above a height of five feet from the sidewalk, the model liquor ordinance will probably be reported to the city council tonight by the license committee. The committee, which consists of Mayor W. H. Canon, F. E. Merrick and V. J. Emerick, have nearly concluded their work and the result of their deliberations is now in the hands of City Attorney Porter J. Neff. Mr. Neff is swamped with work and may be unable to have it ready for tonight's session.

The license committee has given much thought to the formation of the new ordinance, having had it under consideration for two months. Now they are ready to submit it to the council.

License Clubs. The committee has decided to place a license of \$400 a year on clubs and to close them on Sunday. This will effect the Crater Lake club and the University club. The latter club at present closes its bar at 6 o'clock on Sunday evening, through its own house rules. The amount of the license, the club members state, will practically force the closing of the clubs, and they are preparing to seek a lower yearly license. Members state that no drunkenness is tolerated about the club rooms and that only members have the privileges of the club. A fight is expected on this point.

Drug stores will also be licensed in order to sell liquor. Otherwise liquor can be sold by them only on prescriptions and but one sale can be made on each prescription.

Other Regulations. Under the provisions of the new ordinance the saloons of the city must close between 11 and 12 o'clock, the exact time not yet having been fixed. There was some discussion of having the closing hour fixed at 10 o'clock. The saloons close at 1 o'clock at present.

All screens must be removed about five feet from the sidewalk. All screens must be removed above must also go. Strict regulation is to be provided.

PORTLAND BOY TO CAPTAIN CLEVELAND NAPOLEONS

CHICAGO, Ill., March 7.—There is a good possibility that Manager McGuire of the Naps may give the captaincy of the team to Ivan Olson, the young shortstop.

Olson is a western product and came from Portland, Or. He is regarded as a sure fixture on the Cleveland team.

TRIAL OF MOTHER FOR INFANTICIDE IS BEGUN

ALBANY, N. Y., March 7.—The trial of Mrs. Edith Meiber, for the murder of her 5-year-old son, whom she killed by giving carbolic acid several months ago, because it is alleged she wanted to marry a man who did not like the lad, began here this evening. The defense will plead insanity.