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SECRETARY BALLENGER'S STATEMENT

(Editorial Review.)

The annual report of Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger was made public today. This department is a kind of governmental catch-all, and handles lands, mines, oil well, Indians, islands, reindeer, deaf-mutes, irrigation projects and the colored insane. The report is interesting, but too long to print in full.

There are 18,916 employes, of which 4620 are clerks in Washington, D. C. Ballinger reports the greatest problem now being to take care of the supernumerated employes. He favors an act of congress to practically pension them after a certain age. But the private citizen would be slow to understand why a person on good salaries and short hours all their lives should not be able to take care of themselves in old age.

Ballinger is happy to report that the work of his department is practically up to date. In dealing with public lands he shows that lax methods of administration have prevailed in the past and that it has been considered no crime to violate or circumvent the land laws. This has resulted in the grabbing of vast regions by land pirates and speculators, and shutting out the poor man and the actual settler and home builder.

Mr. Ballinger does not state the true policy of the government in this matter of disposing of lands that are suitable for agricultural home making, which should be that not an acre should be parted with by the government but to families that will actually live on the land and cultivate it, and not merely take it for speculation.

He believes the keynote of national conservation should be to secure development of national resources through private enterprise under government regulation and control. This is in opposition to the Pinchot idea, that would put the government into the water power and electric light business. He advocates as the first step classification of lands, according to their principal value or use.

Ballinger is right when he says the government should not leave it to the selfish private interest of the citizen to claim that a tract of land is mineral or non-mineral, or timber or agricultural, as suits his scheme to get the land, as this invites fraud and misrepresentation, but that the lands should be officially classed on a basis of actual fact, and then disposed of on that finding.

As to mineral values, he believes no classification should be made in advance of actual discovery, and the right to mine should be separated from the actual title to the soil, by lease or sale of the mineral deposit, subject to forfeiture for failure to develop the mines. That would break up monopoly of the coal, oil and other mineral lands.

By withdrawing and withholding coal lands from sale the past year, the government holdings have advanced \$95,000,000 in value, showing that conservation is profitable for Uncle Sam.

Under the dry-farming or enlarged homestead act, 172,000,000 acres have been open to entry, while the department has withdrawn from market 3,821,000 acres of oil lands.

The report recommends the repeal of the so-called timber and stone

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act, under which millions of acres of the most valuable timber lands have passed into large holdings, and timber landlordism in Oregon was extended to alien ownership of millions of acres. He shows that 6,657,000 acres of railroad lands are unsurveyed and entirely escape local and state taxation.

Ballinger favors allowing private ownership in lands containing water powers, by a limited easement of not over four years, when, if the water power is not developed, it must go back to the government. This application of common-sense business principles and true conservation. He also shows 40,000,000 acres of withdrawn lands restored to the national domain and open to entry.

Revenues net, from public land administration for past year were \$9,494,925. Of 12,397 entries on public lands examined, 5308 were rejected and 7087 were reported favorably. The department has done a great deal of work the past year to ascertain the extent of available water supplies to get at values of water power sites.

The allotment of money for reclamation projects during the year 1909 were \$5,528,950, of which a purely Oregon project got \$25,000—the Umatilla. \$293,000 was allotted to the Klamath project, but that is considered as much California as an Oregon undertaking.

Oregon has been allotted but a contemptible small amount out of the reclamation funds to which over \$7,000,000 has been contributed by sales of public lands in this state. By 1912 there is to be an adjustment of the funds, so that the major portion of the money raised from each state shall have been spent in such state by that time. Ballinger recommends issuing \$30,000,000 bonds to complete projects that have been begun by the year 1912. A summary of reclamation work done from June 30, 1903, to June 30, 1909, shows 424,549 acres of land actually irrigated at a cost of \$103 per acre.

Indian affairs will undergo reorganization by Ballinger. He thinks reservations should be in charge of a skilled business manager, and supervisors of such reservations should be skilled agriculturists. He thinks that certain Indian schools that do not come up to standards of efficiency as industrial and agricultural schools should be abolished. The schools should train the Indian to support himself by trades and farming operations. The boys should learn the simpler trades, and domestic training in keeping with her station in life should be the education of the Indian girl. Secretary Ballinger would find these desiderata worked out to practical perfection at the Salem Indian Training school, at Chemawa. He would add similar training to Indian day schools.

At present it costs \$10 a day for many inspectors to inspect purchases of Indian supplies, and he cites an expense of \$3200 in buying \$200,000 worth of supplies that is useless.

The U. S. patent office shows receipts of about a million dollars, all used up but \$85,000. The writer thinks the patent office could be made to pay the government millions of revenue. Securing of patents at present is very expensive, and the government gets very little revenue from them. Mr. Ballinger would eliminate a part of the many appeals that can now be taken, and which fatten an army of patent office lawyers, who rob the unfortunate and too often visionary inventor.

Dealing with pensions has become a cold business proposition and all sentiment seems to have vanished from the discussion. Pensions increased from \$15,450,000 to \$161,973,000 in 1909, this being the largest sum ever distributed in one year. The last soldier and the last widow of the Revolutionary war are dead several years, but one daughter of a soldier of that war survives. The last veteran of the war of 1812 died in 1905, but 395 widows of 1812 soldiers live.

During the second session of the sixtieth congress 3021 special pension bills passed, costing \$454,722 more than the same persons would have received under general laws. There were 946,194 pensioners June 30, 1909, a net decrease of 5493. While the number of pensioners is decreasing the amounts paid for pensions is growing.

Fifty states and territories receive \$40,000 each per annum for support of college of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

The white population of Alaska is reported at 32,000, natives 35,000. The United States sent \$17,188,445 of merchandise to Alaska the past year and Alaska sent us \$34,335,435. Gold produced in 1903 was \$19,990,878. Copper \$605,297.

Hawaii has a population of 175,000 of which 98,000 are Asiatics, 35,000 Hawaiians, 14,000 Americans, and the rest Europeans. Exports to us were \$40,500,000, and imports \$21,000,000, both increasing. The report concludes with a review of the national parks, from which it appears that Uncle Sam owns the Arkansas Hot Springs, the great national resort for soaking the bad whiskey and tobacco poisoning out of his loyal subjects.

Try a Journal want ad.

GERMAN SOCIETY RE-ELECTS

The Salem German-American Society held its annual meeting Sunday at Union Labor Hall, and re-elected its officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

- E. Hofer, president.
- A. Kerberger, vice-president.
- Wm. Hamburg, secretary.
- E. Eckerken, treasurer.

It was decided to hold the annual Christmas festival on Sunday, December 25, in the afternoon. The society reports showed over a hundred members, and the real estate bought for \$5000 some months ago has a purchaser for nearly twice the amount, but the society is not disposed to sell, but will probably build.

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NEARLY NEW DEAL ON BOARD OF TRADE

The report of the nominating committee of the Salem Board of Trade for the election next Wednesday, has been posted in the board rooms, and the selection of the committee is as follows:

- President—Thomas B. Kay.
- Vice-president—Max O. Buren.
- Secretary—A. F. Hofer.
- Treasurer—Daniel J. Fry.
- Executive committee—Joseph Albert, R. S. Bishop, F. G. Deckebach, J. R. Linn and W. T. Stolz.

PEOPLE WE KNOW.

They Are Salem People, and What They Say Is of Local Interest.

When an incident like the following occurs right here at home, it is bound to carry weight with our readers. So many strange occurrences go the rounds of the press; are published as facts, people become skeptical. On one subject skepticism is rapidly disappearing. This is due to the actual experience of our citizens and their public utterances regarding them. The doubter must doubt no more in the face of such evidence as this. The public statement of a reputable citizen living right at home, one whom you can see every day, leaves no ground for the skeptic to stand on.

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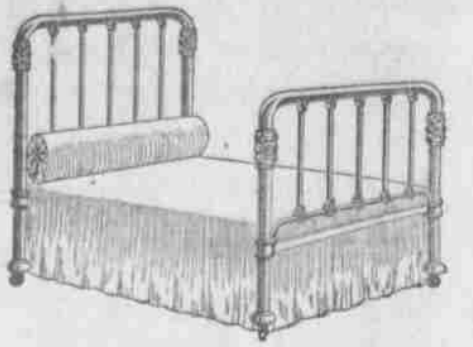


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 - The Grand Prize Pianos—Three \$425 Eilers Pianos (one for each district); style conservative; very latest design.
 - The Second Prize—Three Genuine \$100 Diamond Rings. (One for each district.)
 - The Third Prize—Three Beautiful Engraved Gold Watches; Elgin movement. (One for each district.)
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