

BALLINGER'S TURN TO-DAY

Will Begin His Story of Conservation Fight.

DENY BRANDEIS'S REQUEST

Director Smith Tells of Pinchot's Threatening Him with "Publicity Club."

Washington, April 28.—Secretary Ballinger will take the stand to-morrow to tell his side of the conservation row and to defend himself and the Interior Department against the criticisms of Gifford Pinchot, L. B. Glavis and others.

At that time the committee decided that as Mr. Brandeis had been permitted to disseminate the order in which his witnesses should appear it was only fair to extend the same courtesy to the other side.

Mr. Ballinger was present at the hearing to-day for the first time, and was ready to take the stand this afternoon, but this was prevented by the cross-examination of George H. Smith, chief geologist.

At the opening of to-day's session Senator Nelson announced that the committee had denied the request of Mr. Brandeis that the Attorney General be directed to transmit to the senate all papers relating to his summary of the Glavis charges.

Mr. Brandeis estimated that this summary bears date of September 11, 1908, was not written until November, 1908. Mr. Brandeis wanted information on this point, and asked the committee to direct Mr. Wickensham to send all drafts of his summary and the names of the persons who assisted him in its preparation, including stenographers and clerks.

Conspiracy Story Unshaken.

Mr. Smith was the only witness examined to-day. Although he was put through an exhaustive cross-examination by George W. Pepper, attorney for Mr. Pinchot, his evidence establishing the existence as long ago as last July of a conspiracy in the Forest Service to force the retirement of Secretary Ballinger was not shaken.

Referring to the interview between Mr. Smith and Mr. Pinchot, at which the former chief forester threatened the Director of the Geological Survey with "a publicity club" unless he joined the Pinchot propaganda, Mr. Pepper asked the witness if he regarded this as a kind of blackmail.

Mr. Smith replied that when a man for whom he had no regard had had to do with Mr. Pinchot used similar tactics he had used the word "blackmail." When Mr. Pepper suggested that possibly Mr. Smith had "twisted his words" in his interpretation of what Mr. Pinchot really meant to convey, Mr. Smith replied: "No, you cannot get the tilt of the strata until you study it over a considerable area."

Representative Graham interrogated Mr. Smith at some length regarding the Spokane irrigation congress, and asked if the attack on Secretary Ballinger by ex-Governor Pardee of California was promoted by Mr. Pinchot. Mr. Smith replied that there was every indication that Governor Pardee was a sort of "special pleader" for Mr. Pinchot at the Spokane meeting.

Mr. Smith repeated his statement that Mr. Pinchot had asked him to violate the law by using money appropriated for topographic surveys in the preparation of certain maps desired by the Forest Service, and declared that Mr. Pinchot threatened "to show up" the Geological Survey in the newspapers if the request was denied.

CROP DAMAGE EXAGGERATED. Washington, April 28.—The damage to crops in the Southern States east of the Mississippi River is not so great as some of the first reports seemed to indicate, according to President Finley of the Southern Railway.

THE DAY IN WASHINGTON

Washington, April 28.—(From The Tribune Bureau.) REGRETS TAFT'S ABSENCE.—Some of the members of Congress who are working earnestly to promote the President's legislative program sincerely regret the absence of Mr. Taft from the city to-morrow for an absence of a week.

Mr. Taft's absence is regretted because of the fact that the enactment of the measures on which he has set his heart is fraught with grave difficulty. The Senate insurgents, wholly indifferent to anything but their individual interests, are combining with the Democrats on every possible occasion against the regular Republicans and the wishes of the administration.

Mr. Kern's nomination.—The nomination of John W. Kern as the Democratic candidate for Senator from Indiana, news of which reached here this afternoon, is regarded as seriously prejudicial to Republican success in that state.

PANAMA DEFENCES.—The plans for the fortifications of the Panama Canal outlined in this column last Monday have been formally adopted without dissent by the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Hill, submitted to Congress to-day.

ROOT ON ALIEN RIGHTS. All Citizens Entitled to Protection by Their Governments. Washington, April 28.—No violation of law can deprive a citizen in a foreign country of the right to protection by the government of his own country.

INFANT FOODS UNDER BAN. Department of Agriculture Condemns Use of Dangerous Drugs. Washington, April 28.—Twentieth century Herods are attacked in a pamphlet just issued by the Department of Agriculture, which treats of the dangerous qualities of certain "infant foods" and "remedies."

RESIGNS FROM GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.—Its Financial Troubles. Washington, April 28.—It was announced here this morning that Charles W. Needham, president of George Washington University, resigned yesterday.

RAILROAD BILL AMENDED

To Include Telephone and Telegraph Companies.

HOUSE COALITION WINS

Democratic Absenteeism Saves Regulars from Further Defeat.—Another Tie Vote.

Washington, April 28.—Despite rumors at the Capitol that President Taft was much displeased with the attitude of the House in its handling of the railroad bill, opposition to several essential features of that measure continued strong to-day, and every evidence is given that the followers of the President will be forced to contest every step of the way.

WILSON HELPS PARSONS.—Secretary Wilson gave indirect assistance to the Parsons anti-tuberculosis resolution to-day by issuing a circular on the dissemination of disease by dairy products and on methods of prevention.

RED CROSS LEGISLATION.—In reporting to-day a bill making it an offense for any person falsely to represent himself as connected with the American National Red Cross, and prohibiting the unauthorized use of the Red Cross insignia as a trademark or for advertising purposes.

It is mortgaged to the university for that amount, but is valued at less than \$5,000 by the district court. The equity in the university property represents the remaining \$184,000 which was borrowed from the Corcoran fund.

GENERAL MILES'S INJURIES. Washington, April 28.—Two fractured ribs, a slight scalp wound and bodily bruises compose the injuries to Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, who was thrown from his horse on Potomac Drive yesterday afternoon.

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS.



ONE PERIODICAL—it is more than a magazine—believes in the intelligence of its readers. That periodical is on the news-stands today—the May number. In its pages will be found the authoritative utterances of the month upon a wide range of topics—a complete REVIEW of the world's thought and opinion.

NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW

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Debate on Traffic Agreements Practically Completed.

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President Ogden Presents June Graduates to Trustees.

HOW TO COOK VEGETABLES

SEND TO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND GET MARIA PARLO'S BOOK.

Washington, April 28.—In this era of the high cost of living, housewives throughout the country will be interested in a work on the proper and economical cooking of vegetables, just issued by the Department of Agriculture.

THE NEW ENGLAND NORTH COAST

Reservations may now be made for the Season of 1910. Here is the seashore whose grandeur and beauty brook no rival. Here also magnificent hotels—superb in equipment, or, if you choose, hundreds of quiet, cosy seaside homes.

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"PRESIDENT" IN ASYLUM

White House Not Ready for Him, New Ruler Says.

Washington, April 28.—"I called at the White House this morning, but they were not ready for me and told me to come here, I am here," said Joseph Butrim, a Russian by birth, who lives most of the time in Boston, but sometimes works in a mill at Lawrence, Mass., when he appeared before the desk sergeant at Police Headquarters on the advice of the ushers at the White House executive offices.

Butrim showed his credentials as President of the United States, as well as the necessary adjoints to the high office—a red fool's cap, trimmed with red feathers; a straw hat, painted red, and a sword decorated with a headless doll and highly colored ribbons and feathers. He also brought with him his inauguration dress—green striped trousers and red waistcoat. While in the hands of the law Butrim selected his Cabinet officers, and hopes to announce them soon.

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YOUR OPPORTUNITY May Be in The QUALITY ADS. On Page 11, To-day's NEW-YORK TRIBUNE