

put on the local stage for charity or for the woman's suffrage propaganda. Mrs. Burleson has won much success with her diligent pen.

In the Burleson family there is a married daughter just leaving her teens, Mrs. Richard Van Wick Negley, who about six weeks ago presented the postmaster general and Mrs. Burleson with a fine grandson, Albert Sidney Burleson Negley. Two school girls, Miss Lucy, who is a freshman in college, and Miss Sidney, a thirteen-year-old, who gives promise of developing into a radiantly beautiful type of young womanhood, complete the family.

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. William Redfield have a married daughter, Mrs. C. K. Grury, of Montreal, Canada, and two sons, William C. Redfield, jr., a student at Amherst, and Humphrey Fuller Redfield, a Washington school boy. As the wife of a representative in congress Mrs. Redfield has made a secure place for herself in the social life at the capital. Before her marriage Mrs. Redfield was Elsie Mercen Fuller, member of a famous old New Jersey family.

The Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Franklin K. Lane have two kiddies, Franklin K. Lane, jr., a boy of sixteen, and small Nancy, who is quite young. Mrs. Lane is a graduate of the University of California—her native state—class of '86. She is distinguished looking, affable, interested in art and music, and generally a well poised, well balanced woman of the day.

The Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Wilson and their daughters during Mr. Wilson's term in the house paid little attention to the gayer side of life although both Mrs. Wilson and her daughters did "their duty" in the matter of calls and teas. The Wilsons all are interested in "doing things," of effectual worth and the women of the household of the new secretary of labor are almost as well informed in the problems the secretary will have to solve as he is himself.

The Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Josephus Daniels know Washington inside and out. Mrs. Daniels' mother, Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley, and her sisters, Miss Belle and Miss Ethel Bagley, have lived at the capital for many years, and they are thoroughly in touch with the "navy set." A brother, David Worth Bagley, is now an officer in the navy.

The Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Daniels have a lively squad of young boys in their household. Mrs. Daniels is of the affable, whole-souled, well-bred North Carolina type. She is a woman easily met and not soon forgotten, and popular with old and young.

The Secretary of War and Mrs. Garrison, the Secretary of the Treasury William G. McAdoo and the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Houston are members of President Wilson's official family of whom Washington knows little.

The Garrisons have neither chick nor child. Mrs. Garrison is a good-looking woman in early middle age who has the balance and poise which comes of living in a college community. The secretary is fond of a joke and knows how to make one, and his wife helps the fun along by seeing the point some time before it is reached. Both Secretary and Mrs. Garrison are much interested in Washington and they propose to take a house some time in the fall when the new administration gets settled down a bit.

Presiding over the home of the secretary of the treasury will be McAdoo's motherless daughter, Miss Nona, a very attractive girl, whose debut preceded by a very little time the death of her mother. A married daughter, Mrs. Charles S. Martin of Prescott, Ariz.; Miss Sallie, a ten-year-old school girl, and three

boys make up the McAdoo home. The eldest son, Francis Hauger McAdoo, will be graduated next June from the law school of Columbia university. The two younger boys, William G. McAdoo, jr., and Robert Hazlehurst McAdoo, are students at St. Paul's.

The Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. David Houston have in their family a thirteen-year-old son, Franklin, a two-year-old daughter Helen and Lawrence, a two-months-old baby boy. Mrs. Houston is just the right sort of wife for a man in official life to have. It has been proved that she can keep a secret. The first information Mrs. Houston's only sister, Mrs. Walter Boydn of Beverly, Mass., received about the appointment of "The Houstons" to the cabinet circle she got in the papers. Mrs. Houston is a native of Austin, Tex., and her family and the family of the postmaster-general and Mrs. Burleson are life-long friends. Mrs. Houston comes of long-time democratic folks. W. P. du Val, her paternal grandfather was territorial governor of Florida in Andrew Jackson's administration. Her grandfather, E. B. Turner, was federal judge in Texas, and her father was a distinguished lawyer at Austin. Mrs. Houston is a graduate of the University of Texas. She is interested in social service work, being affiliated with several committees connected with the work of the medical school attached to the Washington university of which Secretary Houston has been the president for the past five years.

None of the new cabinet people excepting those who are already established in Washington will take homes in the city until next fall.

THE RURAL CHURCH PROBLEM

E. L. Horton, professor of rural education and sociology at the Kansas Agricultural college, after a study of the rural church, comes to the conclusion that the pastors have not adapted themselves to changing conditions. He finds in his territory that a certain aloofness of the church from the practical needs of the people, or a lack of understanding as to what these needs are, has slackened the popular interest in the church and diminished its social and religious value to the community.

Professor Holton believes that it is the duty of the pastors to take hold of the problem at this end and overcome the difficulties that separate the rural community from the churches. He has laid down certain rules which he thinks might be followed by pastors with advantage to all concerned:

"The pastor should influence the church to think in terms of the community instead of terms of the pillars.

"He should make the church building a social center for community life.

"He must clothe the gospel message in the everyday language of the plain people of the twentieth century.

"He must pacify internal wranglings and discourage community competition between denominations.

"All except one church in each community of less than six hundred inhabitants should be abolished.

"He should do actual farm work, that he may be more able to mix with his congregation."

The Minneapolis Journal says that these may be pretty good rules, but they seem to call for a ten thousand dollar man and such men are usually discovered and taken away to the larger churches. So perhaps there should be more of the right kind of men. But it is easy to lay down rules, and difficult to get all concerned to follow them. A recommendation for the abolition of all rival churches in a community does not abolish them. Only the elimination of prejudice from the

minds of the community can do that. In fact, the people, as the pastors, need to broaden out as well. The fault is with us all.

The great head of the Christian system once laid down a law that is

useful in this connection. Accused of breaking the Sabbath because he was making a normal and reasonable use of it, he said to his critics that the Sabbath was made for man and (Continued on Page 16.)

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