



PRESIDENT TAFT'S OFFICIAL FAMILY

SKETCHES OF THE NINE EMINENT MEN FORMING HIS CABINET.

P. C. KNOX HEADS THE GROUP

Pennsylvanian is Secretary of State—Franklin MacVeagh, Chicago Merchant, Holds the Treasury Portfolio—Jacob M. Dickinson, Tennessee Democrat, to Manage the Army—Affairs of the Agricultural Department Left in James Wilson's Hands.

Philander Chase Knox of Pennsylvania, secretary of state in the cabinet of President Taft, was born at Brownsville, Pa., in 1853. He was graduated from Mount Union college, Ohio, in 1872, and three years later was admitted to the bar. During the years 1876 and 1877 he served as assistant United States district attorney for the western district of Pennsylvania. In the latter year he formed a law partnership with James H. Reed which still exists and which has represented many large corporations, including the Carnegie Company. Mr. Knox entered President McKinley's cabinet as attorney general in April, 1901, serving until 1904, when he was elected United States senator from Pennsylvania. The latter position he resigned to become the head of President Taft's cabinet.

Wilson Retains His Place.
Only one member of the Roosevelt cabinet retains his portfolio under Mr. Taft. That is James Wilson of Iowa, secretary of agriculture. So excellent had been his work in that position that there was no serious talk of making a change. Born in Scotland in 1835, Mr. Wilson came to the United States in 1852 and three years later settled in Iowa. In 1861 he engaged in farming in Tama county. He was a member of the Iowa assembly for three sessions and speaker of the house for one session, and also was a member of the Iowa state railway commission. In 1873 he was elected to congress, serving two terms, and was sent to the national legislature again for one term in 1883. He was regent of the State university of Iowa in 1870-74, and in 1890 was made director of the agricultural experiment station and professor of agriculture at the Iowa Agricultural college, Ames, Ia. In 1897 he became secretary of agriculture.

MacVeagh for the Treasury.
Franklin MacVeagh, secretary of the treasury, was born on a farm in Chester county, Pennsylvania, graduated from Yale in 1862 and from Columbia law school in 1864. He began the practice of law in New York city but ill-health forced him to abandon it and in 1865 he went to Chicago and engaged in the wholesale grocery business. In this and other commercial pursuits he has amassed a large fortune. Before entering the cabinet he disposed of his holdings in the big grocery firm and resigned as director of the Commercial National bank of Chicago. Mr. MacVeagh has always been interested in movements for the public welfare, locally and nationally.

Dickinson is War Secretary.
Jacob M. Dickinson of Tennessee and Chicago, the new secretary of war, was born in 1851 at Columbus, Miss. He graduated from the University of Nashville in 1872 and afterward studied law at Columbia college,

at the University of Leipzig and in Paris. He served several times by special commission on the supreme bench of Tennessee and was assistant attorney general of the United States in 1895-97.

Postmaster General Hitchcock.
The first cabinet officer selected by Mr. Taft after his election was Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts, who gave up his place as first assistant postmaster general to manage successfully the Taft presidential campaign. He has been given the office of postmaster general in the new cabinet. Mr. Hitchcock was born at Amherst, O., in 1867, and graduated from Harvard in 1891 and from Columbia law school in 1894. Since 1891 he has been a government official.

Nagle Has Commerce Portfolio.
Missouri has been rewarded for its switch to the Republican column by the appointment of Charles Nagle as secretary of commerce and labor. Mr. Nagle is a leading lawyer of St. Louis and the west. He was born in Texas in 1849, moved to St. Louis when a child and graduated from the St. Louis law school in 1873. He has been senior member of the law firm of Nagle & Kirby, professor in the St. Louis law school and a trustee of Washington university. In 1881-83 he was a member of the Missouri house of representatives, and in 1893-97 was president of the St. Louis city council. He is a member of the Republican national committee and for years has been an intimate friend of Mr. Taft. He was one of Mr. Roosevelt's most enthusiastic supporters. As an attorney Mr. Nagle was identified with several important cases dealing with the numerous complications in the affairs of the Five Civilized Tribes in the Indian territory.

Navy Under Meyer's Charge.
President Taft's secretary of the navy, George Von L. Meyer of Massachusetts, has had wide experience as a business man, legislator, diplomat and cabinet officer. He was born in Boston in 1858 and graduated from Harvard in 1879. He then entered business and has been prominently connected with a number of financial and mercantile concerns. His career as a public official began in 1889, when he was elected to the Boston common council. He then served on the board of aldermen, and in 1892-96 he was a member of the Massachusetts legislature, the last two years being speaker of the house. In 1900 Mr. Meyer was sent to Italy as American ambassador, and in 1905 was transferred to Russia. In January, 1907, President Roosevelt called him home to enter his cabinet as postmaster general. This portfolio he has relinquished for that of the navy. Mr. Meyer's home is Hamilton, Mass.

Ballinger Secretary of Interior.
After about one year's service as commissioner of the general land office, Richard A. Ballinger of Seattle, Wash., has entered the cabinet as secretary of the interior. He is a native of Iowa, having been born in Booneboro in 1858. After attending the University of Kansas and Washington college at Topeka, he went to Williams college, graduating in 1884 and afterward studying law and removing to Washington. He was United States court commissioner in 1890-92 and later was judge of the supreme court in Jefferson county, Wash.

Attorney General Wickersham.
George W. Wickersham, who becomes President Taft's attorney general, has had the reputation of being one of the ablest lawyers in New York city. Born in Pittsburgh in 1858, he studied civil engineering in Lehigh university and in 1880 graduated from the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. For two years he practiced law in Philadelphia. In 1884 he became associated with the law firm of Strong & Cadwalladare, to which Henry W. Taft, brother of the president, belongs.

TARGET FOR BULLET

ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL EX-GOV. ERNOR OF HAVANA.

RESULT OF AN OLD GRUDGE

Second Effort to Get Rid of Former Official—Amnesty Decree of President Gomez is Causing Uneasiness.

An attempt was made Saturday evening to kill General Emilio Nunez, ex-governor of the province of Havana, while he was passing through San Miguel street. Jose Cisneros, a merchant, who has had a personal grudge of long standing against General Nunez, fired two shots at him, but neither took effect. Cisneros was arrested and said that he had selected Saturday to kill General Nunez because the latter's daughter Maris, was to be married to Edgar Ravelson, a millionaire sugar planter. General Nunez was governor of Havana during the recent American intervention. An attempt was made to shoot him two years ago.

The general amnesty bill was signed by President Gomez. It will take effect immediately and provides for the release from prison of those persons who have been convicted of other than crimes of grave atrocity. This will result in the freeing of many professional criminals, which causes much uneasiness in Havana. The police force in the city has become largely disorganized by reason of the discharge on Thursday of three captains and of four more captains today, as well as many experienced detectives to make places. It is stated, for a number of political workers.

Unions Force Hard Struggle.

Impending labor troubles as a consequence of the expiration of contracts between employers and unions on May 1 give the industrial situation a pessimistic outlook. On that date the carpenters, woodworkers and other large organizations will be confronted with an "open shop" unless their employers reverse their present position.

At a meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor the charge was made that the National Employers' association plan a concerted assault on labor's integrity throughout the country, and are organizing employers in every large city to join a general refusal to submit to the terms of the unions for renewal of the contracts.

A prominent officer of the carpenters says that the contractors and builders will try to force the men to accept an open shop. The motive is said to be disruption of the union, which has long been one of the strongest in the country.

At the same time, the labor leader declares the steel trust, harvest trust, ship builders' association and other big employers will refuse new contracts and will declare for an open shop. His forecast includes a refusal by the coal mine operators to renew the annual scale.

Married to Her Chauffeur.

Mrs. A. A. Vanvoorhies, aged fifty-five, one of the best known and wealthiest women in Sacramento, Cal., and Arnold Patterson, her chauffeur, thirty years of age, were married Saturday at the home of the bride's mother. Mrs. Vanvoorhies is the widow of the late A. A. Vanvoorhies, who was a prominent merchant. Patterson has been her chauffeur for about a year. The romance began last summer, when Patterson was severely injured in an accident. Mrs. Vanvoorhies was very attentive to him and a devotion began which resulted in the marriage.

Renounces Claim to Throne.

The Stenula states that the pretender, Don Miguel, has declared his intention of renouncing all claim to the throne of Portugal out of sympathy for King Manuel, who has been so tragically called upon to assume the crown. It is understood, according to the paper, that Don Miguel will reside in Portugal and take part in the work of regenerating the country.

Woman is Burned to Death.

While her husband was a prisoner on the charge of murder, Mrs. Joe Wood, who resided near Rockyford, Georgia, was burned to death Saturday. While bathing one of her children before an open fire her dress was ignited and she ran into the yard and died. The husband was taken from the jail to his home Sunday and was returned to his cell. Several small children, the eldest but seven years of age, are left uncared for.

Plan Foraker Testimonial.

Former United States Senator Joseph B. Foraker will be presented with a handsome testimonial by the negroes of Montgomery, Ga., because of his championship of the negro troops involved in the Brownsville affair. Collections were taken up in all the negro churches Sunday and among the membership of the negro fraternities with which to purchase this testimonial. The set of testimonials which were read in the different churches Sunday will accompany the testimonial to Mr. Foraker.

A TRAIN LOAD OF TOBACCO.

Twenty-four Carloads Purchased for Lewis' Single Binder Cigar Factory.

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—Peoria Star, January 16, 1909.

TROUBLES OF JUNGLE DENTIST.



Dentist—I wonder does he really want that tooth pulled, or is he scheming for a breakfast?

His First Visit.

The wide check of his suit and his monocle proclaimed his nationality from afar. His first American acquaintance, met on the steamer, had supplied him with an immense amount of strange and wonderful information about the United States.

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