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CABINET MEMBERS ABOUT SELECTED BY MR. HARDING

Chas. E. Hughes To Be Secretary Of State Hoover Secretary Of Commerce

MAY BE SOME CHANGES

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 22.—President-elect Harding has reached a tentative decision for every place in his cabinet, and unless there are last minute changes the official circle of the next administration will be composed of these men:

Secretary of state—Charles Evans Hughes, of New York, former governor, justice of the supreme court and Republican nominee for the presidency.

Secretary of treasury—Andrew W. Mellon, of Pennsylvania, a banker and financier, member of a family reputed to be among the wealthiest in the country.

Secretary of war—John W. Weeks of Massachusetts, former United States Senator and in 1916 a candidate for the presidential nomination.

Attorney general—Harry M. Daugherty, of Ohio, who managed the pre-convention campaign resulting in Mr. Harding's nomination.

Postmaster general—Will H. Hays, of Indiana, chairman of the Republican committee.

Secretary of the navy—Edwin Denby, of Michigan, a former member of congress who has served as an enlisted man in both the navy and marine corps.

Secretary of the interior—Albert B. Fall, of New Mexico, now a United States senator.

Secretary of agriculture—Henry Wallace, of Iowa, editor of farm publications.

Secretary of commerce—Herbert Hoover, of California, former food administrator and conspicuous leader in various movements for European relief.

Secretary of labor—James W. Davis, of Pennsylvania and Illinois, a former union steel worker, who has become highest official of the Moose fraternity.

Eleventh Hour Selections

If changes are made they are most likely to affect the appointments for navy, commerce and labor, all of which are understood to have come to the point of decision in the last 24 hours.

In regard to none of these has there been an exchange of formal invitation and acceptance, but in every case the expected to be his closest associates selections made by Mr. Harding are to stand.

Assignment of the navy portfolio to Mr. Denby, who is a Detroit lawyer, furnished the first real surprise of the cabinet situation, for his name had not been mentioned publicly in connection with the place until today. It is understood that from the first he has been under consideration, however, and was held in reserve for just such a contingency as Mr. Harding faced last week when former Governor Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois, declined to be considered for the navy secretaryship.

It is expected that before the President-elect makes a formal tender to Mr. Denby he will call him into consultation and go over with him the naval problems of the coming administration. Today Mr. Harding was in communication with some of the Michigan members of Congress regarding the appointment and it is understood to have secured their approval.

Ever since the early days of the campaign Mr. Hoover's name has been one of the storm centers of the cabinet list, many republicans urging his appointment as secretary of state, interior, commerce or labor and many opposing it because of his decided stand in favor of the league of nations. Whether he will accept the commerce portfolio is not definitely known here, but the general expectation is that he will. A formal invitation is expected to go forward within a few hours.

Last Saturday a good many people took advantage of our offer to send the Beaufort News to them six months for \$1.00. We will make the same offer this Saturday and all who want the paper had better take advantage of this chance.

BIDS FOR BONDS WERE REJECTED

However, \$50,000 Worth Refunding Bonds Were Sold To Pay Off Debts

Considerable interest in Carteret county's proposed bond issue was shown here Tuesday by the fact that about half dozen representatives of bonding houses in various big cities were here for the purpose of bidding on them. While the bids offered were below par at the same time the bidders showed plainly enough that they wished to obtain the bonds.

The advertisement called for an issue of \$200,000 worth of the securities which were serial bonds running thirty years and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. The bids were opened at two o'clock and a record made of them. After this the board went into executive session for the purpose of considering them. After deliberating, the bidders and public were invited to return and then Chairman Wheatly announced that all the bids were too low being less than par and that the bonds would not be sold. He then asked the bidders to make an offer on \$50,000 worth of refunding bonds which are to be used to pay off certain debts of the county. A spirited bidding contest took place between the buyers for this lot of bonds with the result that they were sold to the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, at \$97.97. The official report of the meeting follows:

Beaufort, N. C. February 22, 1921.

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in a continued meeting all members being present.

Bids for \$200,000 bond issues were rejected. It is ordered by the Board that the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, be awarded the \$50,000 issue of funding bonds at \$97.97 and a deposit of \$1,000 be required.

It is ordered by the board that a voucher be drawn for \$835 to pay for a Ford car for the county.

It is ordered by the board that the following people be paid \$5.00 each from the poor fund:

- Capt. Ben Pigott, colored.
- Sarah Chadwick, colored.
- E. D. Hill, colored.
- Clinton Johnson, colored.
- María Perry, colored.
- Lawrence Hazel, Sr., colored.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Realty transactions recently recorded by the Register of Deeds are as follows:

- E. H. Hill and wife to A. B. Willis undivided rights, title and interest in lot in town of Newport inherited from Wm. Hill, consideration \$10.
- A. B. Willis and wife to H. C. Edwards lot on Hills street Newport 101 by 216 feet, consideration \$75.
- I. T. Fodrie and wife to W. W. Hardesty 100 acres at head of Oyster Creek, consideration \$2,500.
- I. T. Fodrie and wife to W. W. Hardesty tract on west side of Oyster Creek 85 acres, consideration \$3,500.
- R. T. Willis and wife to Mollie B. Willis house and lot No. 15 in square 33, Morehead City, consideration \$1,250.
- Van B. Mason and wife to Jno. H. Mason 3 acres in Hunting Quarter township, consideration \$375.
- R. T. Willis and wife to E. S. Nelson lot 16 in square 31, Morehead City, consideration \$96.
- N. R. Purefoy and wife to E. S. Nelson half lots 1 and 2 in square 31 Morehead City, consideration \$150.
- Rufus Lewis and wife to W. D. Pake 3 acres in Smyrna township, consideration \$250.

THIEVES BREAK INTO STORE

Some time Saturday night or Sunday morning a thief or maybe thieves forced the front door of the Beaufort Bargain Store on Front street and committed burglary therein. Four drawers of the cash register were opened and a small amount of money taken. It is possible that a few articles of merchandise were also stolen. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime. An offense of this kind is rarely committed in Beaufort and considerable surprise and interest was caused on account of the deed.

NEWS ITEMS FROM WASHINGTON

It Is Rumored That Congressman Esch Will Be On Corporation Commission.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(Special correspondence)—According to reports at the Capitol, one of the vacancies on the Interstate Commerce Commission will be filled by President Harding through the appointment of Congressman John J. Esch of Wisconsin. Representative Esch was defeated for the Republican nomination in his district last year, and will leave Congress on March 4th after twenty-two years of continuous service. His friends are urging upon Mr. Harding that he is a most suitable man for the Commission. They cite his work as Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Committee of the House during the framing and passage of the Esch-Cummins transportation act, which is now law.

Pays As It Goes The Senate is being urged by exporters to restore to the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation Bill the items stricken out in the House on points of order raised by certain Democrats. Representative Walter W. Magee, of New York, a member of the Appropriations Committee is leading the efforts to have the Senate restore the items. It is declared that while the Consular Service has built up American export trade more than \$9,000,000,000, the total cost of maintaining the service is only \$4,000,000 per year.

Chamber Protests

The United States Chamber of Commerce has prepared a brief to be filed with Congress against the coal and packer bills and other measures of similar import. It is a protest by business men against further Federal control of industries. "The war inevitably led to vast increase in Federal jurisdiction and control," says the brief, "not only of the freedom of business but of the freedom of the individual citizen. This was readily assented to on the part of all, and by none more readily than the business interests, in view of the national emergency. We believe, however, we are voicing not only the business but also the popular sentiment in this country in favor of the quickest possible liquidation of this overhasty control so repugnant to American institutions.

Swing Is Line

A new member of the Sixty-Seventh Congress who possesses an extensive practical knowledge of irrigation problems is Hon. Phil D. Swing, of Eldorado, California. Mr. Swing is now Judge of the Superior Court of Imperial county, having worked up to that position through practice of the law in San Bernardino, serving as District Attorney of Imperial county and as Chief Counsel for the Imperial Irrigation District, the largest irrigation district in the United States. During the war he served on a number of Committees and boards to aid in the success of American arms and although given a deferred classification by the draft board enlisted in the army. He was elected to Congress by a majority of 37,500—a strong testimonial to his popularity among the people who know him best Judge Swing will succeed a Democrat.

Reports from Morganton say that the killing of Pink Britain is another due to liquor. He called at the home of Dick Williams in company with his son and Dug Mitchell and knocked on the door and asked for liquor. Those inside hearing only two voices and fearing Dug Williams, whom they testify was their enemy, fired through the wall to frighten them away. The bullet took effect in Pink Britain.

The Wholesale Grocer's Association in session at the O. Henry hotel last week decided against any increase in interest rates. They passed a resolution denouncing the new rule of the railroads which provides that unless a bill of lading is surrendered on a carload shipment before the arrival of the car a charge of \$2.50 would be assessed against the car before it would be placed for unloading upon the instructions of the consignee.

END DRAWS NEAR FOR LEGISLATORS

Many Important Bills Are Being Considered Last Days Of Session

Not Many days are left now in which the legislators at Raleigh can do any work. The sixty days for which they are allowed pay will end on March 5th and it is not considered likely that they will stay there long after their connection with the payroll ceases.

The most important measure enacted by the lawmakers last week was the enactment of the no fence law. This act passed both houses of the body by large majorities and it will go into effect next January. Some twenty two counties in the eastern part of the State are affected by it.

Another very important act the State Highway law, which proposes to connect up all the county seats and important towns by good roads passed the lower house last week and is to be taken up by the Senate this week. This measure provides for a fifty million bond issue and that not more than ten millions shall be issued a year except under certain conditions and that they shall bear interest at not more than five per cent.

Several very important matters are being considered this week by the General Assembly and some of them will be disposed of very soon it appears. Among other proposed acts are the eight per cent interest law, that pertaining to retiring judges on three-fourths pay under certain conditions, the constitutional convention act, the tick graduation bill, the workmens' compensation and the moving picture censorship acts.

Many local matters have been already disposed of and others will be rushed through before the legislators take their departure.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Permits to wed recently issued by Register of Deeds Morris are, as follows:

- Randolph Johnson and Mattie Gorham (col.) of Beaufort.
- Winslow Fulcher and Naomie Salter of Stacy.
- Walter B. Jones and Julia Mandy Edwards, Beaufort, R. F. D.
- Allen D. Dudley, Peaufort, and Leah Edna Guthrie, Morehead City.

SMALL POX

Small pox has made its appearance in two parts of the county recently. A Mr. Lewis who lives in the Otway neighborhood has it and two little girls, daughters of Mrs. Addie Sanderson of Newport, have it. It is now in order for people to get vaccinated if they wish to be on the safe side.

STRANGE BIRDS

Onancock, Va., Feb. 14.—Weather sharp along the coast of Virginia are puzzled by the strange appearance of the Chincoteague Island shores of a flock of razor-billed auks, a North Arctic bird, whose unusual flight has for the first time on record, brought them so far south.

Late in the fall, just previous to a very severe winter, the beautiful white owl from the Arctic regions, is occasionally seen along the Massachusetts and Long Island coasts; the appearance of these great birds, staining two feet high and heavily coated with white feathers, spotted with black is a sure sign of extreme cold weather in the far North. Possibly the coming of the Auks, referred to above, might foretell considerable real winter weather before February passes. It will be recalled that the severest blizzard the Eastern states ever had came March 12th 1888.

Encouraged by the recent mild weather, some farmers in the neighborhood are planting Irish potatoes, mostly native seed. Possibly the arrival of the Auks has not come to their notice.

Remember the chance to get the Beaufort News for six months for the small sum of \$1 will be on one day only. Saturday, the 26th—Bargain Day.

BARGAIN DAY TO BE REPEATED

On Saturday Goods Will Again Be Offered To The Public At Attractive Prices

While the crowd here last Saturday was not altogether up to the wishes and desires of the Dollar Day Managers still it was considerable and brought a good deal of business here. One of the leading grocers of the town said that Saturday was the day he had had since the Christmas holidays.

Some reported that sales were satisfactory. A great many of the shoppers limited themselves to the bargain plans but others bought more than was included in the bargain list. Many of the merchants have reduced prices on a lot of goods that were not advertised. They wanted to give the people a chance to do some really advantageous trading and decided to cut on everything sold.

As was advertised the Dollar Day Sale will be repeated this coming Saturday and people who did not come last week will have another chance to get goods at the reduced prices. Many of the same articles will be on sale, and also a lot of new ones. Every store in town will have something that will be a real inducement and the thrifty buyer had better be on hand as this will be the last day of the sale.

Some of the shoppers had the impression that they could buy only a dollar's worth at the reduced prices. Such is not the case as the merchants will sell any quantity at the cut prices as long as their stock of such articles holds out. It is their purpose to make the sale attractive to the public and they are not hesitating to cut their prices down to the bottom. Some merchants sold new goods here last week at cost and others, sold stuff they had had for some months at far less than it cost them.

A two page advertisement appears in this weeks issue of the News which sets forth some of the articles to be sold and it will pay the people who are interested to read it over carefully. Besides the advertised articles the merchants will offer many others at bargain prices.

MANY CRIMINAL CASES

When Superior Court meets here on the 14th of next month it seems likely that most of its time will be taken up in the trial of the criminal docket. There are 83 criminal cases awaiting trial, ranging all the way from selling liquor to murder. Most of the cases are for violations of the fish laws. Jas. Nesmith is to be tried on the charge of killing Gus and Louis Carter, the shooting having taken place on Christmas day on the grounds of the Carteret Lumber Company. These cases are set for Thursday of court and as it is only a week's term the general opinion is that little if any thing will be done with the civil docket.

COMMUNITY CLUB MEETING

The regular business meeting of the Community Club of Beaufort will be held March 3rd, 3:30 P. M., Old Topsail Club rooms. All members are urged to be present.

ATTENTION ODD FELLOWS

Assistant Grand Secretary S. M. Crouch is expected to be present at the next meeting of Concordia Lodge No. 11, to be held on Tuesday, March 1st, 1921, at 7:30 P. M. A Full attendance is requested.

By order of Lodge.
J. R. JINETT,
Secretary.

EASTERN STAR ENTERTAINS

The Eastern Star will have a tea Friday, February 26th, in the Masonic Hall beginning at 3 P. M. Public invited.

The meetings of the Board of County Commissioners and other official matters appear regularly in the Beaufort News. These alone make the paper worth the price to a citizen who wants to know about what is going on.

SPIRITUAL SIDE OF INAUGURAL

Special Church Services On Sunday Following Inauguration of Harding

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(Special correspondence)—The inauguration of Warren G. Harding as president of the United States will mark not only a first step in the return to normalcy in the political and industrial life of the Nation, but in the spiritual life as well. On the Sunday following his inauguration Mr.

Harding will attend divine service in America's Memorial Church, which pending the erection of the edifice consecrated to the memory of those who served in the World War, is holding its services in the assembly room of the Wardman Park Hotel, Washington.

The religious spirit exhibited by Mr. Harding since his elevation to leadership of his party and of the Nation has made a profound impression on all believing men who in November struck for God and their native land. On the day following his overwhelming election, Mr. Harding spoke humbly: "It is all so serious," said he, "the obligations are so solemn; that instead of exulting I am more given to prayer to God to make me capable of playing my part." And in taking the oath of office he will place his hand on the 8th verse of the 6th chapter of Micah: "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

Mr. Harding has expressed a keen personal interest in the success of America's Memorial Church. It is an institution pansectarian in its scope. A member of any other church may become a member of this national church without withdrawing from his own. The idea appears to have originated with George Washington, for the first map of the District of Columbia, plotted by Major L'Enfant under Washington's direction, made provision for just such a church which, in the words of the Father of Our Country, was to be "assigned to no particular sect or denomination, but equally open to all." It is particularly significant that Washington's purpose, which for over a century has been ignored, is now in a fair way of fulfillment following a great political campaign in which the spirit of Washington played a more important part than in any campaign since his day. It was to preserve the national independence gained by Washington in 1783 that the people elected Harding in 1920, and the solemn admonition of the former were the declarations of faith of the latter.

This will be the first time in history of our country that the ceremonies of the inauguration of a President culminated in a religious service on the Sunday following the fourth of March. The spiritual is to be emphasized and the political rigidity which has characterized past inaugurations will be subdued by Mr. Harding's request for simple ceremonies. The dignity of prayer will supplant the follies of display. The pastor of the church, Rev. Edward Lawrence Hunt, will conduct the service, and Senators Atlee Pomerene, of Ohio, and James Wadsworth, Jr., of New York, will deliver the addresses. Official Washington will be present and the doors will be thrown open to the public. On the same Sunday it is proposed to hold similar services under the Auspices of America's Memorial Church in many towns and cities throughout the country—the same hymns, scripture readings, and prayers to be given.

March 6th, is to be consecrated to the purpose of invoking Divine guidance for the Nation's Chief Magistrate in the colonial tasks he is about to assume, and of christening to the service of mankind, the great memorial to those who died that this nation, under God, might perpetuate the freedom and independence of America.

Baxter Hilderbrand has been indicated at Morganton in connection with the Lippard murder trial. He will be tried on a charge of manslaughter.