

SHOWERS

PRESIDENT-ELECT'S CABINET IS STILL OPEN ON CABINET POSTS

Not Committed to Definite Decision in Regard to Any Place. DISCUSSIONS LEAD TO FURTHER SHIFTING

Hughes Still Most Talked of for the Portfolio of Secretary of State.

MARION, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Although President-elect Harding has about made up his mind on several of the most important appointments to his cabinet, it was indicated today that he had not yet committed himself to a definite decision in regard to any of the ten places in his official family.

During the last few days he has reviewed the entire field of available in-conference with his closest political advisers, and although the discussions have led to further shifting about of tentatively arranged cabinet seats, no development of a positive character has been revealed.

In circles close to the president-elect, Charles Evans Hughes, of New York, continues the most talked of man for secretary of state, and G. Dawes, of Illinois, still is a favorite for secretary of the treasury, although for the latter post Charles H. Hillis, of New York, and John W. Weeks, of Massachusetts, are still mentioned as possibilities.

Others who keep to the front in cabinet speculation are Harry M. Daugherty, of Ohio, most frequently mentioned for attorney general; Will H. Hays, of Indiana, discussed for postmaster general or secretary of the interior; Henry Wallace, of Iowa, put forward for secretary of agriculture; and Herbert Hoover, of California, whose name frequently has been coupled with the name of labor, but who has been regarded in the light of recent developments as a more likely choice for secretary of commerce.

Regarding the secretaryship of war, speculation has taken less definite trend. During the past few days, A. T. Hert, of Kentucky, has been mentioned conspicuously for the place, but everything has indicated that Mr. Harding is far from a decision on the point. Like Mr. Hays, however, Mr. Hert is considered by many circles to have some position in the cabinet.

Entirely Undecided. The president-elect is said to be endeavoring to decide upon the secretaryships of the interior and commerce, which may be filled at the last moment by men prominently considered for other cabinet posts, but displaced in the final allotment of the portfolios of higher rank.

YEAR BRINGS BIG DECLINE IN THE HOLDINGS OF PAPER SECURED BY GOVERNMENT WAR OBLIGATIONS

Wilson Expresses His Sympathy For Cardinal Gibbons

Spends The Day Quietly And Suffers No Alarming Sinking Spells

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The sympathy of President Wilson for Cardinal Gibbons in his illness was expressed today in a telegram from the president to the Right Rev. Owen B. Corrigan, bishop of the Baltimore Catholic diocese. The telegram follows: "The president has learned with sympathy and distress of the cardinal's illness, and hopes he may very soon learn of a decided turn for the better."

NO VISITORS ALLOWED. BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—Cardinal Gibbons awoke this morning from a refreshing sleep "feeling like a new man," according to reports. He spent the day quietly but pleasantly, no alarming sinking spells and with nothing to excite him. No visitors were allowed to see him.

BARKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL IS PARTLY DESTROYED BY FIRE

Estimate Damage at \$40,000—No Loss of Life. Nurses and Firemen Work Heroically to Save Patients.

Fire of an undetermined origin at 1:15 o'clock this morning raged to the ground the central part of the Barker Memorial Hospital, Baltimore, entailing damage estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000, but resulting in no loss of life. Due to the heroic work of the nurses, directed by Miss Mary Perkins Laxton, superintendent, each of the 19 patients was removed to the yard or to the nurses' home before Asheville firemen reached the scene.

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SOME PUZZLE, EH, WARREN?

By BILLY BORNE.



GARDENAS THE REBEL SLAYER OF MADERO

Commanded Guard by Whom Madero Was Shot. Dies at His Own Hands as Soldiers Close in to Arrest Him.

GUATEMALA CITY, Dec. 13.—(Correspondence Associated Press.) The suicide of the former Mexican general, Francisco Cardenas, in the Plaza of this city on November 27, is believed here to have ended all doubt as to who was the real slayer of the Mexican president, Francisco I. Madero. Cardenas had told the Associated Press correspondent that he commanded the guard by whom Madero was shot but did not explain why he ordered the shooting.

Ordered to Prison. Not long after the event Francisco Cardenas appeared in Guatemala. Within a very short time, he was arrested and imprisoned by orders from Estrada Cabrera, the president, then of this country. It is not clear just how long Cardenas was kept in the imprisonment of Cardenas. The government of Cabrera was not on particularly friendly relations with that of Carranza, who had succeeded General Huerta as president of Mexico.

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Three Confess To Systematic Plan Used In Robbery

Tell Of Successful Method Of Operation In The New York Robberies

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Three men arrested here today confessed, police said tonight, to a systematic plan of operation by which they carried out successfully seven robberies in New York city during the past three months. The prisoners, Joseph Cohen, 28, Morris Bernstein, 28, and Louis Henig, 29, were held under \$50,000 bail each.

SENATOR PENROSE BACK ON THE JOB

Takes Charge of the Congressional Situation. Reported He Has Killed off Tariff Bill—Lobbyists in Despair.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—"Boss" Penrose is back on the job, and things will move along his way in congress. Already by a waive of the hand he put the "fake" tariff bill on the blink, and it is understood now that he will "veto" any legislative program outside of the appropriation bills.

LIBERATED FORMER GERMAN AGENT IS BOUND FOR HOME

AMERICAN STEAMER IS REPORTED IN DISTRESS

REVALUATION AND TAXATION REFORM

State's Big Achievements in 1920, Bickett Thinks. But Splendid Progress Along Other Lines Has Been Accomplished.

Asheville, Citizen News Bureau. RALEIGH, Jan. 1.—One of the big achievements in North Carolina during the past year, in the estimation of Governor T. W. Bickett, was the completion of the program of revaluation and tax reform. The new system, which will be perfected by the incoming session of the legislature, will give North Carolina the lowest tax rate of any state in the union.

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WATSON HAS BILL TO MAKE LEGAL TENDER OF VICTORY BONDS

Senator-elect to Introduce Bill at the Extra Session of Congress. IS HIS REMEDY FOR "DOMESTIC CRISIS"

Would Require Issuance of \$102,000,000 of Authorized Greenbacks.

ATLANTA, Jan. 1.—Thomas E. Watson, United States senator-elect from Georgia, announces in a copyrighted statement to be published in the Atlanta Constitution Sunday that at an extra session of the 67th congress he will introduce a bill for the issue of victory bonds and other government war paper legal tender.

MILLER BECOMES THE 4TH CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF N. Y.

SHIPPING COMPANY PURCHASES SCHOONER FLORENCE HOWARD

ENORMOUS EXPANSION

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