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WILSON GOON TO HAVE HIS CABINET MEETING

But It Will Be Far Different Body From That Which He Presided Over Seven Months Ago

—Many Questions to Be Considered by His Official Family

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Washington, April 2.—Resumption of cabinet meetings is looked for very shortly by those in close touch with the White House. President Wilson's increasing activity, combined with the announcement that he will leave about June 15 for Woods Hole, Mass., tends to color the belief that he will soon reconstitute his official family about him in weekly or semi-weekly conferences.

Only a few days ago the president on one of his motor trips crossed the Potomac river and drove as far as Alexandria, Va. In an open touring car, and with Dr. J. C. Miller, Admiral Clegg and Mr. J. P. Morgan, Admiral Clegg suggested that the chief executive may even try a few holes of golf during his summer sojourn in Massachusetts.

Publication of the correspondence in connection with the resignation of Secretary of State Lansing made it certain that no more deliberations of the cabinet about the long table in the executive office would take place until President Wilson was at the head of the board. After numerous changes the cabinet seems to be permanently organized, and its members, particularly the new ones, are anxious to meet with their chief and discuss departmental problems. But he is not to be seen until the president meets the ten department heads he will find them a different group from that he last saw seven months ago.

In that time five of the cabinet officers have seen a change. Secretaries Lansing, Glass, Redfield and Lane have gone, and Secretary Houston will sit in the chair of the head of the treasury department, while his old place as Secretary of Agriculture will be filled by Edwin T. Meredith. The other new faces around the cabinet table will be Joshua T. Alexander, secretary of commerce; Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state; and John Barton Payne, secretary of the interior.

Has Definite Ideas

It is believed that President Wilson will have some very definite ideas to bring up on the decision of the next cabinet meeting, notwithstanding the new governmental problems as well as to such old acquaintances as the Mexican situation and the national wage controversy. Secretary Houston already has recommended that interest payments due this government on foreign loans be deferred three years, and this and other ideas are thought to be in his mind.

Another issue that concerns the state department, and department of commerce, and to some extent the treasury department is that of remaining trade relations with that part of Russia controlled by the soviets. Agents of that country have been in America for several months, bidding for everything from army shoes to locomotives and some American manufacturers have gone so far as to suggest mandamus proceedings against the secretary of state to compel him to allow goods to be shipped to any Russian port. The state department contents in reply that nothing would be gained by such procedure, as none of the soviet representatives has enough money to make trade with them profitable.

The United States shipping board is not represented in the cabinet, but the American merchant marine is of vital concern to the administration, and Secretary Payne, as former chairman of the board, can supply his colleagues with whatever information they want on that subject. Some very definite suggestions about South American trade routes and trade relations were brought out at the second Pan-American luncheon conference held early this year, but no "authorized" cabinet meeting has been called since that time to discuss their value.

And Daylight Saving

Daylight saving in the government offices in Washington is something else which may come before the cabinet. President Wilson is expected to favor it, as he vetoed the bill which repealed the daylight saving law and congress passed it over his protest. It was said at the White House this week that nothing is before the president on the question of a local daylight saving plan, but an early effort by some officials to have such a scheme put into effect, either by executive order or legislative action, would surprise no one.

Campaign On Tap

Nor is it to be expected that a cabinet meeting would adjourn this month or next without the subject of the coming campaign being broached. Only one cabinet officer, Attorney General Palmer, is in the field for the presidential nomination, but ev-

ery member and the president, as well, will take more than an academic interest in the pre-convention campaign, and the issues it involves. The foregoing constitutes but a few of the important things which the cabinet will have before it when it meets, not forgetting matters of departmental policy that the new government will want to discuss. All of those are anxious to get the president's views in a personal talk with him, and when he calls a meeting he will need to call only once. As the popular phrase has it they will "hear him the first time."

Time for Meetings

There is some speculation as to whether the president will call meetings on Tuesday and Friday mornings, as he did during his stay here last summer, before starting on the journey that ended in his illness, or will be content with meetings on Tuesday only, as was the custom for a time before the war broke out. Opinion rather favors the latter program. The peace treaty is hardly one that would be formally taken up by the cabinet, as the state department is the only government portfolio concerned with that issue, though there is no reason why the president's official advisers should not discuss it. Incidentally the question is being asked in Washington: What would be the result if President Wilson returned this summer until our peace starts to allow congress to recess or adjourn with Germany is definitely established? True the president has no police power to hold the congress in session unless it be by calling an extra session immediately after it adjourns, but the moral weight of a message saying the interests of the country demanded some action looking to a resumption of a peace status would be enough to accomplish the same purpose.

DEMOCRATS MEET SATURDAY AT NEWTON

Catawba county Democrats will hold their convention at Newton tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of naming a county ticket, electing delegates to a state convention in Raleigh next Thursday and transacting other business. Although woman suffrage is not an assured fact and the question has been no more than academic in this section, the sisters will be given a welcome in the court house. They probably will not attend, but if they do they will be given seats and made to feel at home.

There has been a great deal of interest in the nomination of candidates, but nothing definite will be known until after the convention gets into running order. Hickory Democrats, however, are known to favor the nomination of Mr. Daniel E. Rhyme of Lincoln for the senate, and asking Catawba to waive the privilege of naming the senatorial candidate. Mr. A. S. Abernethy of Hickory probably will be the choice of Hickory township Democrats for member of the board of county commissioners and his nomination, if he is interested, is assured.

The Republicans will hold precinct meetings in the county tomorrow at 3 o'clock in preparation for their county convention. There will be several changes on the ticket this year, it is stated, and some of the present officeholders will not seek the nomination, preferring to go into business for themselves.

Members of Hickory commandery, Knights Templar, will hear Dr. E. M. Craig at the First Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the annual Easter sermon. The public also is invited.

TWO EASTERN TOWNS CENSUS FIGURES

By the Associated Press
Washington, April 2.—Population statistics announced today by the census bureau included:
Elizabeth City, N. C., 8,825, an increase of 513, or 6.1 per cent.
Tarboro, N. C., 4,568, an increase of 439, or 10.6 per cent.

MEXICAN 'REBELS MUST GIVE UP COMPLETE TIE UP LIKELY ON NORFOLK & WESTERN

By the Associated Press
Washington, April 2.—Lieut. Col. Robert M. Campbell, United States military attaché at the embassy in Mexico City, his wife and an American woman doctor named Payne, were attacked by rebels a few miles from Mexico City, but escaped through "quick work and quickness of action," the state department was advised today.

The attack took place at a small station on the railway from Mexico City to Cuernavaca, to which place the attaché was going for an outing. The rebels with dynamite wrecked the train and destroyed the track for some distance.

Colonel Campbell and the members of his party escaped without injury, the attaché stated. The women of the party hid in the woods until the rebels left. The fate of the train crew and the other passengers was not stated.

LOCAL DOKIES PLAN SPRING CEREMONIAL

A small but enthusiastic gathering of Dokies was held Wednesday night in the K. of P. hall and a working organization was formed. Committees appointed, plans outlined for the entertainment of the several hundred visiting brethren who are expected to be in attendance when Budgud Temple No. 23 of Asheville comes to this city to stage a spring ceremonial, probably during the last week in April. J. C. Miller was elected general chairman of the organization and the following committees were appointed: Arrangements—Hugh D'Anna, chairman; publicity, F. F. Murphy, chairman; membership—James C. Shuford, chairman; H. C. Lutz and R. C. Buchanan being the other members of this committee and with the entire Dokie membership assisting in securing candidates it is expected that Jerry will have the best best of his young life. Another meeting will be held at an early date when the time for the ceremonial will be fixed.

HOPE SPRINGS UP IN DELAWARE ANEW

By the Associated Press
Dover, April 2.—Despite the decisive defeat yesterday by the lower house of the Delaware legislature to ratify the woman's suffrage amendment, friends of the measure said today it was by no means dead as the resolution was still in the senate and the parliamentary situation is such as to permit a new vote.

Suffrage leaders were greatly encouraged by the announcement that Alfred DePout would support the resolution. The suffragists claim that the house has three legislative days to consider the vote and if this fails the senate resolution can still be brought up in the house.

HEAVY RAINFALL IN HICKORY SECTION

With a heavy downpour of rainfall at Bridgewater and an even heavier precipitation in the mountains, the Catawba river today began a steady rise and was two or three feet at noon. The precipitation at Bridgewater was 2.25 inches, according to reports reaching here, and in the mountains it was heavier. In Hickory the fall for the night was an inch. It is not believed, however, that any serious damage will be done.

The hardest rainfall in many weeks occurred last night, sending small streams out of their banks this morning and causing the smaller river to fill rapidly. Little danger was apprehended, because no crops are in, but farmers will be delayed further in their plowing and planting. The precipitation here since Wednesday night until 8 this morning measured 1.6 inches.

The rain also dampened the hopes of those folks who believe that Good Friday is the time to plant beans and other seeds and made out of the question a full day in the garden Monday, which will be a holiday in most places in Hickory. All stores will be closed during the day and the Record, falling in line, will also take a vacation.

ALL UNIONS TO WALK OUT IN SYMPATHY WITH STRIKING CLERKS—HEAD OF TRAINMEN DECLARES STRIKE IS UNLAWFUL AND PROMISES PROTECTION TO RAILROAD

By the Associated Press
Roanoke, Va., April 2.—Officials of the brotherhood of railway trainmen announced today that members of the union would adhere to the decision to withdraw at 4 o'clock this afternoon. They claimed that conditions on the road were unsafe as a result of the strike.

Local officers of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen and engineers said members of that organization would refuse to work on trains manned by strike-breakers.

NAMES REMOVED FROM STROUP PETITION

More names are being taken off the petition engineered by Mr. W. S. Stroup and before city council acts finally on the matter Tuesday night it is expected that more than a score of the men who signed it will remove their names. They do not want to be placed in the attitude of opposing progress.

Some of the men who signed it, it is said, were told that the only way to get the building was to put their names to the petition. They were not told that the petition was designed to fill the building. These are signing the counter petition. One name is on the petitions twice, but it will come off of both at the signer's request.

The petitions will be thoroughly canvassed Tuesday night, the names taken off that do not belong there and other names removed by request. Those who fail to sign one of the petitions in circulation requesting that their names be erased may appear before the board Tuesday night, identify their signatures and have their names stricken off. The petition filed with the board asking for the election contained 203 names originally, but there is no question but that the number is much smaller now.

THREE CANDIDATES IN GEORGIA FIELD

By the Associated Press
Atlanta, April 2.—With the withdrawal of President Wilson's name by a number of Democrats who entered him in the presidential primary, the field is left to three candidates. They are Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer, straight advocate of the president and his policies, United States Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia, who partially endorsed the administration, and Thos. E. Watson, former populist candidate for president, who stands "squarely against the league of nations."

FREE DENTAL CLINIC FOR COUNTY CHILDREN

Report of work done at the Terrell free dental clinic, Friday, March 26, Monday, 29, Tuesday, 30, under the direction of Dr. Vance Hasty, state school dentist, and Miss Mary Blevins, supervisor rural schools:
Total number children examined, 46; treated, 44; no treatment, 2; teeth cleaned, 44; silver nitrate treatments, 15; miscellaneous treatments, 8; amalgam fillings, 4; teeth extracted, 20; children referred to private dentist for treatment, 13; children with diseased gums 1; children with irregular teeth, 3; children using tooth brushes, 14; children not using tooth brushes, 3; lectures on oral hygiene, 5; children in attendance at lectures, 10; special bulletins distributed, 107; cost of work if done in private office (conservative), \$161.50.

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Total number children examined, 69; number children treated, 63; children needing no treatment, 6; teeth cleaned, 61; silver nitrate treatments, 17; miscellaneous, 12; amalgam fillings, 4; teeth extracted, 54; children referred to private dentist for treatment, 11; children with diseased gums, 9; children with irregular teeth, 8; children using tooth brushes, 26; children not using tooth brushes, 43; lectures on oral hygiene, 4; number in attendance at lectures, 150; special bulletins distributed, 219; cost of work if done in private office (conservative), \$211.50.

NE WYORK'S FOOD NEARLY CUT OFF

By the Associated Press
New York, April 2.—All but 20 per cent of the railroad owned tugs and steam lighters, which railroad representatives assert bring to New York 99 per cent of its food supplies, are tied up as a result of the marine workers strike.

NEGRO LYNCHED BY LAURENS MOB

By the Associated Press
Spartanburg, S. C., April 2.—George Robertson, a negro, 28, was taken from the city jail at Laurens, S. C., last midnight by a mob and hanged to a railroad bridge near the city. Reports reaching here say that three white youths about 18 years of age became involved in a dispute with another negro whose name is not known. Robertson appeared on the scene and took the part of the negro, the first one involved leaving the scene.

Robertson is said to have drawn his knife and cut the three boys, inflicting wounds, though not serious. Police arrested the negro and then went to look for the other.

The mob formed and stormed the jail. His body was riddled with bullets. A coroner's jury has been impaneled but no evidence has been found. The city was quiet today.

CHIEF SECRETARY FOR IRELAND NAMED

By the Associated Press
London, April 2.—Sir Amar Greenwood, under secretary for home affairs, has been appointed chief secretary for Ireland, according to official announcements this afternoon. Sir Hamar succeeds Ian MacPherson, who resigned yesterday.

OUT HERE TOO

By the Associated Press
Petersburg, Va., April 2.—All organized craft of the Norfolk & Western Railway Company, including machinists, car men and laborers, walked out here today in sympathy with the clerks. Something like 200 are involved.

Weather

For North Carolina: Fair and colder tonight and Saturday, fresh west winds.