

# Chose College Mate For Successor To Daugherty

Coolidge Confounded Wise Ones Who Predicted Attorney General Would Come from Middle West by Picking New England Man and Personal Friend

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Washington, April 2.—President Coolidge has decided upon the type of man he wants for Attorney General. Unless present plans go awry, the man will be Harlan Fiske Stone, former dean of the law school of Columbia University, New York City.

The President has had a battle between political expediency and the dictates of his legal training. Knowing that the head of the Department of Justice should be the best available lawyer in the country, Mr. Coolidge has felt that he could not use the prospective appointment as a means of reconciling the two political factions of the Republican party.

The opportunity for an expression of his political friendship for the West will be given when the time comes to select a vice presidential candidate and there is no concealment of the fact that Mr. Coolidge would be highly pleased if Judge William S. Kenyon of Iowa were to be his running mate. The President gave an indication of how he feels toward the former Senator from Iowa when he asked him to be Secretary of the Navy recently.


The argument for the appointment of Kenyon for Attorney General has been strong and there is no doubt that the choice has been made between the Iowa Judge and Dean Stone. But the deciding influence has been legal ability and talent of administration. Some idea of Dean Stone's position in the legal world can be obtained when it is realized that he was recently offered an income of approximately \$125,000 a year if he would join a certain law firm in New York City.

Mr. Coolidge is a lawyer by profession and his investigation of the qualifications of Dean Stone has convinced him that he is one of the most capable men in the legal world. Dean Stone was born in Chesterfield, New Hampshire, 52 years ago. He is a graduate of Amherst College, Mr. Coolidge's alma mater, graduating in 1894 just a year ahead of the President. He has received many degrees since then from other universities and colleges. He became a professor and lecturer on law and finally dean of the law school at Columbia in 1910. He recently was offered an important connection with a law firm in New York, and has been a director in the Charlotte and Atlanta Air Line Railway and numerous other corporations.

Dean Stone resigned from Columbia University and now is on leave of absence. His resignation is to take effect on June 30th next. The question before him is whether he shall accept the lucrative offer made to him by a New York firm or enter the government service as Attorney General at a moment when the eyes of the country are fixed upon the President in his task of naming a successor to Harry M. Daugherty.

Those who are urging Dean Stone to accept insist that he will not lose by serving the Government at this juncture and that as a private lawyer his reputation would be considerably enhanced if he entered the Cabinet now. What Dean Stone's decision will be is at the moment unknown but he represents the type of man Mr. Coolidge wants—a man whom he personally trusts and at the same time stands before the country as one of its ablest lawyers.

**INDIANTOWN BRIEFS**  
Indiantown, April 3 — Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Duncan of South Mills spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gregory.  
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It should not be overlooked that the Raleigh club has three members, two of whom were formerly presidents of North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering, and one of whom is now president. This last is Eugene C. Brooks, former State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The other two are Dr. D. H. Hill, whose present classification is historian; and Dr. W. C. Riddick whose classification is engineer.

E. L. Layfield, general chairman of the Conference Committee, is also a school man who is contributing no little to business efficiency in the conduct of Kings Business College, of Raleigh, of which he is the head. Another notable is U. B. Blalock, general manager of the North Caro-

lina Cotton Growers Association, who has demonstrated the value of co-operative marketing to the cotton farmers of North Carolina. The farmers of the South are represented again in the Raleigh Club in the person of Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, a household necessity in thousands of farm homes in Dixie. T. E. Brown, Director of Vocational Education of the North Carolina State Department of Education, could not be omitted from the list. He has received national recognition for his program of vocational training in the public schools of the State, a work in which North Carolina is leading. All of these and more are turning aside a short time from their own work to make sure that no detail is left undone for the proper entertainment of Rotary guests in Raleigh.

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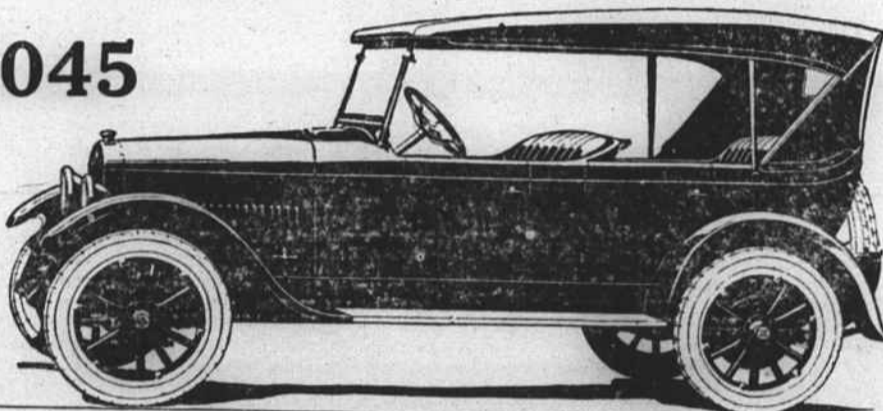
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