

March Likely See Little Coolidge Cabinet Change

Real Re-organization Expected Take Place in Interim After Congress Has Adjourned and Even Then Many Will Retain Portfolios

Washington, Nov. 24.—Although the election is three weeks old, enough has happened to indicate that very few changes will be made in the cabinet of President Coolidge on the fourth of March and that the real re-organization of the official family will take place in the interim after Congress has adjourned.

There is at the moment no certainty that there will be a single vacancy. Even James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, may stay.

In announcing the fact that Mr. Davis had volunteered his resignation, the President was careful to indicate that he still hoped to prevail on Mr. Davis to remain. There are certain circumstances under which he may be prevailed upon. The job of selecting a Secretary of Labor is no easy one and as a rule stirs up all sorts of factional difficulties, the best solution of which may prove in this case the retention of the incumbent. Mr. Davis' relationship, however, to the fraternal order of the Moose of which he is the virtual head may require his return to private life.

The only other vacancy that has been regarded as certain is that of the interior department. It has been reported that Secretary Work will leave on the fourth of March but the talk is still in the vague stage.

Some cabinet officers like their jobs so well that they naturally want to stay. Others are more or less indifferent and will stay if the President insists. Technically all the cabinet officers submit their resignations to take effect on March 4th when an administration is elected to succeed them. If these resignations are as a rule perfunctory, Mr. Coolidge, however, is in a somewhat different position. He did not select all the men who compose his cabinet. He is responsible for Attorney General Stone, Secretary of the Navy Wilbur, and the new Secretary of Agriculture, who will, of course, stay only till March 4th as he has been elected governor of West Virginia.

This leaves Secretary of State Hughes, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, Secretary of Commerce Hoover, Secretary of War Weeks, Secretary of Interior Work, Secretary of Labor Davis, and Postmaster General New as the appointees of the late President Harding. Because of the individual relationship to their portfolios, the retention of Messrs. Hughes, Mellon and Hoover may be regarded as safe. The other four portfolios may not see immediate changes, but some of the incumbents might of their own initiative desire to return to private life or elective office.

Both Mr. Weeks and Mr. New are former members of the United States Senate. Mr. Weeks was caught in the maelstrom of local politics in Massachusetts in 1918 after a good legislative record in the Senate here. Mr. New was the victim of a division in his own party in Indiana when he lost to Beveridge in the primaries, and then Beveridge was in turn beaten by Haleson, Democrat. Factional quarrels played a part in the final result.

Summarizing the entire cabinet situation therefore, the chances of change would seem to narrow down to four portfolios—war department, labor, interior, postoffice, and of these labor and interior are the only ones in which there has been an indication that the incumbents might desire to return to private life. The cabinet of President Coolidge on the whole will undergo little change for another year at least.

FATAL INJURIES IN AUTO COLLISION

Burlington, Nov. 25.—J. Hardy Dault of Louisville, Kentucky, sustained what are believed to be fatal injuries when a train and his auto collided here yesterday.

CALM AFTER STORM

Only one case, and that one in which the defendant was accused of no more serious offense than falling to dismount from his bicycle in passing a pedestrian, occupied the attention of the recorder's court Tuesday morning and Trial Justice Spence was back in his office by 9:30 o'clock. Elgin White, defendant, was let off with the costs.

COLLEGE FOR WOMEN HAS MODERN DAIRY

Greensboro, Nov. 25.—The North Carolina College for Women has just moved its dairy herd into its new \$25,000 barn which is said to be among the most up-to-date barns in the state. The buildings will accommodate a dairy herd of 100 head and were planned by E. R. Raney, Extension Farm Engineer, and include all the new equipment that is considered to the advantage in operating a dairy herd.

SAVES MAN FROM WATERY GRAVE

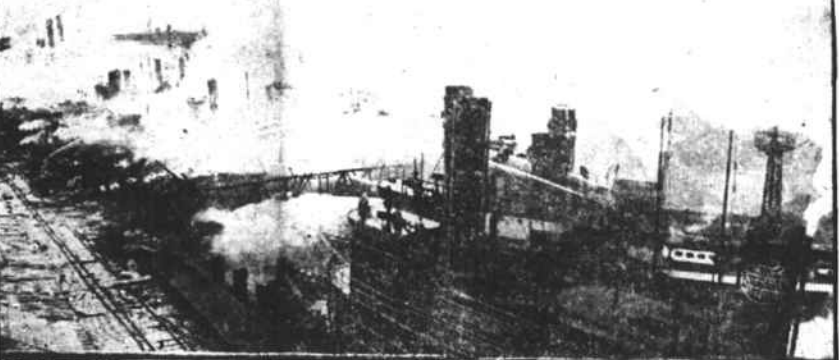
Charlie Williams, 55 years old, was saved from drowning Tuesday morning when he fell overboard at the foot of Burgess street near the Globe Fish Company.

J. P. Haywood of Collington, Dare County, who was on board the Globe, heard the splash of water and hurried over to the dock and rescued Mr. Williams just in time to save him from drowning.

Mr. Williams explained after being rescued that he fell overboard when he stumbled his toe while walking near the dock.

Charlie Williams is a brother of the late W. D. Williams, and has not scemed himself since his brother's death. He makes his home with his nephew, F. O. Williams, 313 Parsonage street.

SECOND BIG JERSEY FIRE



Jersey City, New Jersey was the scene of two big water-front fires each causing damage running into the millions within 72 hours. Fireboats are shown here attacking the flames which destroyed two Erie Railroad piers filled with merchandise. Lights and cars also were consumed and two firemen were injured.

CONCERT TONIGHT AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

The Golden Gate Concert Company will give their concert at the new High School auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock.

MRS. COOLIDGE TO CHRISTEN THE ZR-3

Lakehurst, N. J., Nov. 25.—Favorable weather today greeted the huge Zeppelin ZR-3 as she left the naval air station here at 9:05 for Washington, where she will be christened the "Los Angeles" by Mrs. Calvin Coolidge.

LABOR MEETING IS TO ADJOURN TODAY

El Paso, Nov. 25.—Adjournment of the forty-fourth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor was in sight today. It was indicated that harmony in the proceedings had permitted the business to be disposed of so promptly that the afternoon session today with the election of officers and selection of the 1925 meeting place would be the last.

OFFICIALS ATTEND FUNERAL OF JUDGE

Wilson, Nov. 25.—With appropriate services Judge H. G. Connor was buried here yesterday. State and Federal officials attended the services.

FAHY AND MURRAY ARE FOUND GUILTY

Chicago, Nov. 25.—William Fahy, former postal inspector, and James Murray, politician, were found guilty on five charges of robbing the mails with a sum, five of robbing the mails, and one of conspiracy to rob the mails, each in connection with the two million Roundout mail robbery, by a Federal jury here today.

WHEN FIRE VISITED ATLANTIC CITY



View of the Hotel Bothwell on the boardwalk at Atlantic City after fire had destroyed a number of buildings and caused the deaths of two. Damage was estimated at more than a million dollars.

FLIERS BURN TO DEATH IN AIR

Junction City, Kansas, Nov. 25.—Captain B. W. Beddinger and Sergeant Irving Acton were burned to death on Fort Riley military reservation today when their plane burst into flames shortly after they took off from Marshall Field, the Fort Riley flying field.

HIGH SCHOOL AT KINSTON BURNS

Kinston, Nov. 25.—The Grainger High School building located in the northeastern section of this city was totally destroyed by fire at a loss of \$50,000 which is covered by insurance.

UNDERWOOD WILL WITHHOLD BILL

Washington, Nov. 25.—Senator Underwood of Alabama said today that he would withhold his new bill providing for the disposition of Messrs. Shoups with the expectation that some private individual or corporation would submit a bid similar to Henry Ford's which was withdrawn.

NATIONAL BUDGET TODAY COMPLETED

Washington, Nov. 25.—Despite last minute additions to meet the wishes of cabinet officials, the national budget for the next fiscal year was completed today at a conference between President Coolidge and Budget Director Lord.

INSULTED?



"Take those darn things off or I'll put you in jail!" That's what Chief of Police J. M. Youngblood of Rock Hill, S. C., told Miss Willie Trammell, 22-year-old stenographer, when she appeared on the streets in a "blue knicker suit." At least that's the story she told the city council. And she announced she intended filing \$20,000 suit against the officer on the ground he insulted her.

SEND SPEAKERS NEW BERN MEET

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PROGRAM OF INAUGURATION STILL HANGS IN BALANCE

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WASH. STILL PEEVED OVER HARDING'S CRITICISM OF HOTELS IN 1920

Washington, Nov. 25.—A new complication has arisen in connection with projected plans for the inauguration of President Coolidge on March 4 next and once more the whole scheme of continuing the traditional inauguration festivities is hanging in the balance.

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It seems now that President Coolidge must not only decide whether he will approve and permit the usual parades, fire works, balls and receptions, but whether he will appoint a national committee to undertake the necessary arrangements.

FOR THE LAST HUNDRED YEARS OR SO THE INAUGURATION FESTIVALS ALWAYS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED BY A WASHINGTON COMMITTEE.

Prominent residents of the District of Columbia this year have agreed among themselves that it is time for the government itself, through a national committee of some sort, to take over the general direction of affairs. They stand ready at all times to form a local committee to co-operate with the national committee to the fullest possible degree. But Washingtonians feel they should be relieved of responsibility to the nation for the full conduct of inaugural arrangements.

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imputations that were permitted to go out in connection with the calling off of the entire inauguration program by President-elect Harding. It was stated at that time that the hotels of Washington were demanding exorbitant rates and the inference was that attempts to "gouge" the public were in progress all along the line. These allegations were not only denied but hotly resented here in the capital. It was stated that the rates and conditions of reservations at the hotels were in keeping with hotel agreements all through the country. The inauguration is a one-day affair. It is a custom of hotels everywhere to demand three or four days at a time for the inference was that cover loss to the management in emptying the house and filling it up again after the one-day crowd has gone.

MERCHANTS OF WASHINGTON DREW THAT THEY PROFIT BY THE INAUGURATION EXCEPT IN A MOST INDIRECT WAY.

Inauguration Day, when the crowds are here, is a public holiday and the shops are closed.

IN VIEW HOWEVER, OF THE NATIONAL CRITICISM WHICH THE HARDING DECISION IN 1921 CALLED FORTH,

Washingtonians who have been the most active in arranging inaugurations in the past year will not serve this year except in conjunction with a national committee which shall take full responsibility.

IT IS FURTHER SAID THAT IF THIS NATIONAL COMMITTEE IS NOT APPOINTED THERE WILL BE NO INAUGURATION FESTIVALS IN KEEPING WITH THE TRADITIONS OF THE PAST.

Therefore President Coolidge must decide the dual question of having a old-fashioned inauguration and of appointing the necessary national committee.

WASHINGTON PARTICULARLY, AND IT IS BELIEVED THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTRY GENERALLY, WILL BE BOTH TO SEE THE OLD INAUGURATION INSTITUTIONS PASSED INTO THE DISCARD,

but Washington is resigned to that eventually rather than to run the risk of another such experience as that of four years ago.

It has been suggested in some quarters that the Republican national committee might undertake the task of making up the inauguration program, assisted by a local committee, but in the past the inauguration ceremonies have been entirely non-partisan in character and there might be well grounded objections to making it henceforth a strictly party affair.

Some definite settlement of the whole inauguration matter may be expected soon if White mt may be expected soon from the White House.

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CHOWAN BRIDGE PROPOSERS WILL HAVE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT CAUSE AT MEET ON DECEMBER 3.

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PRESIDENT M. LEIGH SHEEP OF THE ELIZABETH CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WELCOMED THE VISITORS MONDAY NIGHT AND THEN TURNED THE MEETING OVER TO C. R. PUGH,

who was chairman of the program committee. Enthusiastic speeches setting forth the need and the advantages of the proposed bridge were made by a number of local men and visitors and the utmost optimism seemed to prevail as to the possibility of securing action by the next Legislature that will secure the bridge.

AMONG THOSE SPEAKING WERE SENATOR J. H. McMULLAN, E. R. CONGER, R. G. SHACKLE, W. D. PRUDEN, OF EDENTON; J. S. McNEIDER AND FLOYD J. TRIPLETT, OF HERTFORD; AND P. H. WILLIAMS, C. O. ROBINSON, DR. A. L. WENDLETON, AND J. WESLEY FOREMAN, OF ELIZABETH CITY.

SAYS PROHIBITION BITTER BRUTAL JOKE

Columbus, O., Nov. 25.—Governor Clifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania speaking here yesterday declared the work of the Prohibition Department to be a "bitter and brutal joke."

PRESIDENT MAY AGREE TO PARADE

Washington, Nov. 25.—An old time inaugural parade still is among the possibilities for next March fourth.

President Coolidge wants his inauguration to follow in general the modest lines of the Harding inaugural ceremonies but he will not object if there is an elaborate parade in keeping with the dignity of the office, it was said here today.

FUNERAL MRS. MATTHEWS

The funeral of Mrs. R. E. Matthews was conducted at her home, 602 Hunter street, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Dr. N. H. D. Wilson. Her favorite hymns were sung by Mrs. J. Wesley Foreman, Mrs. Robert Peering and Mrs. G. B. Barrow. The pallbearers were Messrs. W. L. Stanley, L. B. Twiford, B. S. Sawyer, Rufus Sanders, John Griffin and J. H. Gard. Many beautiful floral offerings bore testimony to the love and high esteem of those who knew her best. Interment was made in Hollywood Cemetery.

MRS. MATTHEWS DIED SUNDAY MORNING AT 4:45 AFTER A BRIEF ILLNESS OF ONLY ONE DAY.

She was 25 years old and a member since the age of 10 of Woodland Methodist Church at Woodville. She had recently asked for her letter to be moved to the First Methodist Church and was to have been received there as a member Sunday. She is survived by her husband and three year old daughter, Marjorie Lee, of this city; also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Turner; five brothers, George, James, Robert, Butler and Fred Turner; two sisters, Mrs. Elmer Benton and Miss Maude Turner, all of Perquimans County.

COTTON REPORT

New York, Nov. 25.—Spot cotton closed quiet, Middling 24.25, a decline of 25 points. Futures, closing bid, Dec. 23.74, Jan. 23.91, March 23.21, May 24.53, July 24.53.

RED MEN

Pasquotank Tribe No. 3 has been invited to attend the installation services of the Great Council of the United States at the city auditorium at Portsmouth Saturday evening November 29 at 8 o'clock. Members desiring to go are requested to see any member of the committee before Friday evening at 6 o'clock for reservations. No reservation will be made after that hour. Committee: R. L. Griffin, B. A. McCoy, J. W. Griffin, U. D. Johnson, adv.