

This Week IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Dec. 6.—There is a strong belief here that there will be more changes in the Cabinet before long, and that some of the administrative heads of "emergency" offices will be forced to yield to the pressure that is being brought to get rid of them.

Following the announcement of the resignation of Attorney-General Cummings, Washington observers began to keep their eyes peeled for signs of other Cabinet changes.

There is a general expectation that Harry Woodring, Secretary of War, and Claude Swanson, Secretary of the Navy, will soon retire. Mr. Swanson is an old, sick man.

The burden of building up the new Navy is being carried by Assistant Secretary Charles Edison, son of the great inventor. He is

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considered an extremely capable executive, and the only thing that stands in the way of his probable promotion is the fact that he, too, is not in very good health. As the successor to Secretary Woodring, nobody here thinks of anyone but the Assistant Secretary of War, Louis Johnson, former National Commander of the American Legion.

The two Cabinet members whose positions are regarded as absolutely secure are the Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, and the Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr.

Hull Most Popular

Mr. Hull is by all odds the most popular and generally respected figure in the entire Administration. His successful efforts to negotiate trade agreements with other nations, and the scrupulous care he has taken to keep himself and his department out of politics have combined with his dignified yet genial personality to win him friends among Democrats and Republicans alike. In any discussion of Presidential candidates for 1940, Mr. Hull's name is sure to be mentioned as a "middle of the road" Democrat

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who would be acceptable to all wings of the party.

The recurrent report that the Secretary of Commerce, Daniel Roper, is due to resign, has cropped up again and is generally believed to be true. Talk about his successor centers upon Harry Hopkins, Administrator of the W. P. A. Whether Mr. Hopkins is the President's choice, whether he wants the job, and whether he could be confirmed by the Senate if he were appointed are questions to which no positive answer can be given.

There are many influential men in Washington who would like to see somebody else in the Cabinet as Secretary of the Interior, rather than Harold Ickes. Mr. Ickes is reputed to be rather unhappy about his job. A good many functions of his department have been transferred to others.

Has Strong Following

But he has built up a strong following outside of Washington, among Governors and Mayors with whom he has had to deal in matters concerning W. P. A. loans, and there would be a good deal of resistance if any political pressure were put on the President to remove him from the Cabinet. Mr. Ickes, being a man of independent wealth, does not need the job, but he is of the temperament which does not quit under fire.

The one Cabinet member for whose resignation or dismissal political pressure is already being put on the President is the Secretary of Labor, Frances Perkins. Miss Perkins, as she is officially known, or "Madam Secretary," as she is generally referred to, is Mrs. Paul C. Wilson in private life. The opposition to her on

Capitol Hill has been growing steadily for several years. The charge is frequently heard that in labor disputes her influence has always been on the side of John Lewis and his Committee for Industrial Organization.

Washington hears the report that a committee representing the American Legion recently made a personal demand upon the President for Miss Perkins' removal, accompanying it by the threat that unless she resigned or was dismissed the new Congress would impeach her on charges of malfeasance in office.

Friend of Mrs. Roosevelt

One disadvantage under which Miss Perkins' opponents labor is that she is a warm personal friend of Mrs. Roosevelt, whose influence got her her Cabinet appointment and who is said to be prepared to stick by her through thick and thin. And nobody wants to get into a public controversy involving the President's wife.

The political strategy of both parties in the new Congress is beginning to take shape. It is the understanding here that at the meeting of the Republican National Committee in late November there was general agreement to pursue the party's policy in the last Congress. That might be described as not getting too far out in front, but playing ball with the independent Democrats, who might be sticking their necks out, in the eyes of their Southern constituents, if they appeared to be following the lead of Republicans.

Majority Greatly Reduced

On the Democratic side, Chairman Farley and his right-hand men believe that, with their majority so greatly reduced, Democratic Congressmen will prove more amenable to party discipline and there will be less tendency to stray off the reservation on the part of those who are opposed to the Administration and the New Deal. If he can hold the party together in Congress and heal the breach between the two wings, Mr. Farley hopes to be able to nominate a candidate acceptable to all Democrats in 1940 and present a United Front in the Opposition.

The feeling in Washington, however, is that the leader who will have the last word about Democratic policies in Congress is Vice-President Garner.

FAIRVIEW

Fairview Baptist Sunday school and prayer meeting are progressing nicely. Everyone who attends seems to be greatly interested and willing to do their part. God will bless the faithful worker and I just want to say our Sunday school lessons are of great interest.

We are very sorry to give up Mr. and Mrs. Emory Marsh and family. They have moved to Winston-Salem.

Mr. Chat Flynn has nearly completed his new filling station here.

Little Miss Lorene Wilmoth returned home last week from Martin's Memorial hospital where she has been for some time. We are glad to know she is improving.

We are sorry to have to give up so many of our good friends and neighbors. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Poindexter and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Poindexter and children are expecting to move to Randolph county, near Rameur, this week.

Mrs. Clare Poindexter is im-

proving from a recent illness, we are glad to learn.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd White are expected to move back to their old home near Twin Oaks in a short time.

Mr. G. C. Corder is having his filling station painted. Mr. Andrew White, of Bluefield, W. Va., is doing the painting.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Calloway and family have moved over near Ararat.

Mrs. George Ball, of High Point, spent last week with her daughter, Mrs. Calvin Phillips.

One Important Asset

A lady had spent the morning watching some new folks move into the neighborhood. Her husband came home to lunch and she was still at the window, and remarked: "They don't have a radio, a dog, an ice box, any kids, or a car. I wonder what they do have?" Her husband grunted, sarcastically, "They probably have a bank account, then."

Marriage Lottery

Two negroes who had not seen each other in five years discovered each had been married during that time.

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