PRESIDENT TAFT'S OFFICIAL FAMILY

SKETCHES OF THE NINE EMINENT MEN FORMING HIS CABINET.

P. C. KNOX HEADS THE GROUP

Pennsylvanian Is Secretary of State—Franklin MacVeagh, Chicago Merchant, Holds the Treasury Portfolio—Jacob M. Dickinson, Tennessee Democrat, to Manage the Army—Affairs of the Agricultural Department Left in James Wilson's Hands.

Philander Chase Knox of Pennsylvania, secretary of state in the cabinet of President Taft, was born at Brownsville, Pa., in 1853. He was graduated from Mount Union college, Ohio, in 1872, and three years later was admitted to the bar. During the years 1876 and 1877 he served as assistant United States district attorney for the western district of Pennsylvania. In the latter year he formed a law partnership with James H. Reed which still exists and which has represented many large corporations, including the Carnegie Company. Mr. Knox entered President McKinley's cabinet as attorney general in April, 1901, serving until 1904, when he was elected United States senator from Pennsylvania. The latter position he resigned to become the head of President Taft's cabinet.

Wilson Retains His Place.

Only one member of the Roosevelt cabinet retains his portfolio under Mr. Taft. That is James Wilson of Iowa, secretary of agriculture. So excellent had been his work in that position that there was no serious talk of making a change. Born in Scotland in 1835, Mr. Wilson came to the United States in 1852 and three years later settled in Iowa. In 1861 he engaged in farming in Tama county. He was a member of the Iowa assembly for three sessions and speaker of the house for one session, and also was a member of the Iowa state railway commission. In 1873 he was elected to congress, serving two terms, and was sent to the national legislature again for one term in 1883. He was regent of the State university of Iowa in 1870-74, and in 1890 was made director of the agricultural experiment station and professor of agriculture at the Iowa Agricultural college, Ames, Ia. In 1897 he became secretary of agriculture.

MacVeagh for the Treasury.

Franklin MacVeagh, secretary of the treasury, was born on a farm in Chester county, Pennsylvania, graduated from Yale in 1862 and from Columbia Law school in 1864. He began the practice of law in New York city but ill-health forced him to abandon it and in 1865 he went to Chicago and engaged in the wholesale grocery business. In this and other commercial pursuits he has amassed a large fortune. Before entering the cabinet he disposed of his holdings in the big grocery firm and resigned as director of the Commercial National bank of Chicago. Mr. MacVeagh has always been interested in movements for the public welfare, locally and nationally.

Dickinson Is War Secretary.

Jacob M. Dickinson of Tennessee and Chicago, the new secretary of war, was born in 1851 at Columbus, Miss. He graduated from the University of Nashville in 1872 and afterward studied law at Columbia college, at the University of Leipsic and in Paris. He served several times by special commission on the supreme bench of Tennessee and was assistant attorney general of the United States in 1895-97.

Postmaster General Hitchcock.

The first cabinet officer selected by Mr. Taft after his election was Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts, who gave up his place as first assistant postmaster general to manage successfully the Taft presidential campaign. He has been given the office of postmaster general in the new cabinet. Mr. Hitchcock was born at Amherst, O., in 1867, and graduated from Harvard in 1891 and from Columbia Law school in 1894. Since 1891 he has been a government official.

Nagel Has Commerce Portfolio.

Missouri has been rewarded for its switch to the Republican column by the appointment of Charles Nagel as secretary of commerce and labor. Mr. Nagel is a leading lawyer of St. Louis and the west. He was born in Texas in 1849, moved to St. Louis when a child and graduated from the St. Louis Law school in 1873. He has been senior member of the law firm of Nagel & Kirby, professor in the St. Louis Law school and a trustee of Washington university. In 1881-83 he was a member of the Missouri house of representatives, and in 1892-97 was president of the St. Louis city council. He is a member of the Republican national committee and for years has been an intimate friend of Mr. Taft. He was one of Mr. Roosevelt's most enthusiastic supporters. As an attorney Mr. Nagel was identified with several important cases dealing with the numerous complications in the affairs of the Five Civilized Tribes in the then Indian territory.

Navy Under Meyer's Charge.

President Taft's secretary of the navy, George Von L. Meyer of Massachusetts, has had wide experience as a business man, legislator, diplomat and cabinet officer. He was born in Boston in 1858 and graduated from Harvard in 1879. He then entered business and has been prominently connected with a number of financial and mercantile concerns. His career as a public official began in 1889, when he was elected to the Boston common council. He then served on the board of aldermen, and in 1892-96 he was a member of the Massachusetts legislature, the last two years being speaker of the house. In 1900 Mr. Meyer was sent to Italy as American ambassador, and in 1905 was transferred to Russia. In January, 1907, President Roosevelt called him home to enter his cabinet as postmaster general. This portfolio he has relinquished for that of the navy. Mr. Meyer's home is Hamilton, Mass.

Ballinger Secretary of Interior.

After about one year's service as commissioner of the general land office, Richard A. Ballinger of Seattle, Wash., has entered the cabinet as secretary of the interior. He is a native of Iowa, having been born in Boonesboro in 1858. After attending the University of Kansas and Washburn college at Topeka, he went to Williams college, graduating in 1884 and afterward studying law and removing to Washington. He was United States court commissioner in 1890-92 and later was judge of the supreme court in Jefferson county, Wash.

Attorney General Wickersham.

George W. Wickersham, who becomes President Taft's attorney general, has had the reputation of being one of the ablest lawyers in New York city. Born in Pittsburg in 1858, he studied civil engineering in Lehigh university and in 1880 graduated from the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. For two years he practiced law in Philadelphia. In 1884 he became associated with the law firm of Strong & Cadwaladare, to which Henry W. Taft, brother of the president, belongs.

STRONG FLIGHTS OF ORATORY.

Examples of Mixed Metaphors Calculated to Cause a Smile.

An amateur historian is responsible for this: "All along the ever flowing stream of history you can discern the silent footprints of the crowned heads of Europe!"

The village reporter on the death of the village poet: "That dauntless pen shall write no more, for its eyes are closed forever!"

From the speech of a rising young politician: "The fierce light of public opinion shall dog their footsteps until it strangles them. Then shall they swallow the bitter pill and drink its very dregs."

Advice and warning from a successful man of business to a gathering of young people: "Every rung in the ladder of success is paved with slippery stones, on which only the clear head and the steady hand can retain their footing!"

The fearless suffragette was addressing a meeting of mere men. She had graphically related to them the fascinating story of the strenuous struggle the ladies had made for that most priceless of possessions, a vote—how every obstacle had been conquered and victory was at last in sight. "We have now," she shrieked, "almost crossed the trackless desert and the harbor lights are stretching out their arms to greet us!"

The temperance advocate was giving a striking but a true picture of the vast amount of evil wrought by the demon of drink. "What is the greatest devastating agent of our time?" he asked. "It is the bottle, which smiles genially before your face while at the same time it is stabbing you in the back!"

A Busy Holiday.

"Naw, I don't think Timmy'll be staying long on this new job he's took up wid," said Mrs. Herlihy. "'Tis too harrd for him. Sure he gets no rest at all from Monda' mornin' till Sathurda' night, and 'tis not what the man's used to."

"He has his Sundays to rist in," hazarded the caller, boldly.

"An' what of that?" said Mrs. Herlihy. "On Sundays he has to go to church, an' take the children to their grandmamma's, an' visit wid his coopins an' all—sthing no rist at all."

"Was wan day out of every fortnit he had wid the ould job, wan't it?" quieted the caller.

"If' was," said Mrs. Herlihy, "an' 'twas a grand vacation he had. I'd save every bit o' the washin', an' he'd wring it out fine, an' hang it on the line for me; thin I'd saw an' split wood enough to last till the next vacation day, an' he'd be livery mat in the house an' shine up the faucets an' the biler, an' wash the windys, an' there'd always be some th'ngs extrin' help, divin' balls or th' like, I did give him."

"An' whin he'd go to bed at night he'd give fail to say to me: 'Well, Celia, my vacation day is over, but I feel like it's made me ready to go back to wurrk to-morrer,' he'd say."—Youth's Companion.

Sinners All.

I fall into temptations incident to my profession. I commit only the crimes that are required in my profession; but I commit them. I don't think that the clergy would be doing a big service should they take their congregations and show them and the temptations of the men, and the professions that are represented there, and when they find a banker does this thing, know enough about banking to know whether it is real banking or whether it is "financing," and then when they know that find out how this thing compares with what other men do. . . . Let the man go on committing his sin and take his burden of it, but help him to see that we are all doing it together, that it is a system; that it is true he must do these things, and then prepare his mind for the time when an attempt will be made to change it all, and then tell him to be ready to make the sacrifice with the rest of us.—Lincoln Steffens' Address Before Boston Universalist Clergymen.

A Time Charge.

A benevolent New Yorker recently employed two girls to do a special piece of work in his office. When it was completed he found that one girl, being expert, had done a great deal more than the other one. Being uncertain what he ought to pay them he decided to leave that question to them. The expert girl set her price and, to his amazement, the other girl charged considerably more.

"How is that?" he asked. "Miss Swift charges me a great deal less than you do for the same amount of work."

"Certainly," reasoned Miss Young, "it took me a great deal longer to do it than it did her. I ought to be paid for my time, ought't I?"

The benevolent New Yorker reflected, murmured something about her manifest qualifications for the plumbing business, and finally compromised with them both by a sagacious deal in candy.

A Tabloid Fable.

A Man once collided with an Opportunity.

"Why don't you look where you are going?" growled the Man.

"Don't you recognize me?" asked the Opportunity, pleasantly.

"No, and I don't care to. You have trodden on my corns," replied the Man, as he hopped away.

"Morl! Don't believe the people who say they have never had a chance.

RATHER PAY THAN SERVE.

Citizen Soldier's Unique Idea of the Duties of a Sentry.

Australians still tell stories of the C. I. V.s, although the war is a far memory. One, a member of the Stock Exchange, was left one wet and miserable night to guard a wagonload of goods.

He shivered in the unsheltered place for some hours pondering many things, and then a bright thought struck him just as the colonel came around on his tour of inspection.

"Colonel," he asked, "how much is this wagon worth?"

"I don't know," was the answer. "Much or little, we can't afford to lose it."

"Well, but colonel," persisted the amateur soldier, "you might give me a rough idea of the value."

"About £200," said the colonel tartly.

"Very well," was the answer. "I will come down to the cart and give you a check for the amount. Then I'll turn in. I wouldn't catch my death of cold for twice that much."

What the colonel said is not recorded.—Melbourne Times.

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