

TAFT'S LAST DAY IN WHITE HOUSE BUSY

President Finds Regret Over-shadowed by Pleasant Remembrances.

MANY OLD FRIENDS CALL

President-elect Is Shown Through His Future Home—Bryan Visits and Sits Down in Chair of Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—President Taft's last day in the White House was one of his busiest. As a working day it did not last more than ten hours, but it was crowded with unusual events, full of incidents that fall to the man who sits in the White House, and crowned with pleasantities. The President shook hands with several hundred citizens and officials of the Government; received scores of telegrams from friends all over the world; signed his name to pile after pile of pictures and letters and held three receptions.

He quitted the room he has occupied for four years in the executive offices with a smile and without a backward glance, and with many a pleasant recollection of the days he has spent there. He met his old-time friends of the Washington diplomatic corps and the Justices of the Supreme Court in the White House, and, last of all, he gave the first formal welcome in that mansion to the President-elect and Mrs. Wilson.

Day Happy for Taft. Tonight the President and Mrs. Taft were guests at a private dinner given by Miss Mabel Boardman. Altogether, as Mr. Taft told visitors today, it was one of the happiest days of his life, and the regret he may have had over things he was unable to accomplish was more than offset by the remembrance of the pleasant paths he has walked. The President received the President-elect and Mrs. Wilson at 6 o'clock tonight. They came wheeling up the curving driveway to the White House in a cloud of gray dust. Colonel Spencer Cosby, chief aide to the President, was their escort and the President had sent his own touring car to bring them through the crowded thoroughfare. A few hundred persons in front of the crowd cheered as they recognized the next President and his wife.

On the bronze seal of the United States embedded in the marble floor of the main hallway, President Taft was waiting to receive his guests. He offered his arm to Mrs. Wilson and escorted the next "First Lady of the Land" to the quiet of the greenroom. Mrs. Taft and Miss Helen, the only members of the retiring President's family in town, joined the party and the President-to-be, his wife and the President who quit tomorrow and his wife and daughter talked alone.

Bryan Visits Cabinet-Room. William Jennings Bryan was one of the last distinguished visitors who saw the President in his office. Colonel Bryan came unannounced late in the afternoon. "Here's something I want to show you," said the President as he grasped his visitor by the arm and led him to the Cabinet-room. "This," continued the President, "is the Cabinet-room."

Mr. Bryan sat down in the chair of the Secretary of State, but he made no comment. "I just dropped in to say farewell," he told the newspaper men, as he departed. "I have many Republican friends as well as those in the Democratic party."

Before he left his office for the last time the President shook hands with members of the executive office staff.

WILSON IS GUEST AT SMOKER

Princeton Alumni Tender President-Elect Rousing Reception.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President-elect Wilson received tonight a Princeton welcome to the National Capital—a welcome that brought reminiscences of his many years as president of Princeton University. The occasion was a smoker attended by graduates from all parts of the country. For an hour the President-elect was the center of a demonstration of cheers and songs. He had not intended to make a speech, but the enthusiasm of it all moved him so deeply that he spoke for a few minutes, expressing his thanks for the confidence that the Princeton alumni had reposed in him.

Prolonged cheering followed the speech and the singing of "Old Nassau," Princeton's historic anthem. The President-elect stood on a little platform and joined in the singing, moving his upraised hand to and fro in the refrain of the song as Princeton men are accustomed to do.

The President-elect was escorted to a platform where Henry Clay Stewart, '84, president of the local alumni association, and Justice Mahlon Pitney, '73, of the United States Supreme Court, presented him with a ribbon-tied package of cigars and cigarettes. Mr. Wilson took them with a smile, as he does not smoke. "Locomotive" cheers were given with vim for "Wilson" and "Princeton" and soon the entire crowd of alumni formed a line and shook hands with Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson's own class, 1873, were present, including Cyrus McCormick, Chicago; William P. Wilder, of New York; and Robert Bridges, of New York.

As the graduates filed by, Stanley Hunt, '10, who has been a missionary in India, gave Mr. Wilson a tiger-tooth for good luck, which the President-elect has now added to his collection of rabbit feet, horse chestnuts and other luck symbols.

In the crowd of Princeton men were a few who had figured conspicuously in the campaign. William F. McCombs, '08, the Democratic National committee chairman; Rolla Wells, '06, the Democratic National treasurer, and Senator Tompkins, '09, of Ohio, were cheered enthusiastically. The smoker closed with the singing of "Old Nassau," followed by "America."

HERE IS PRESIDENT WILSON'S CABINET

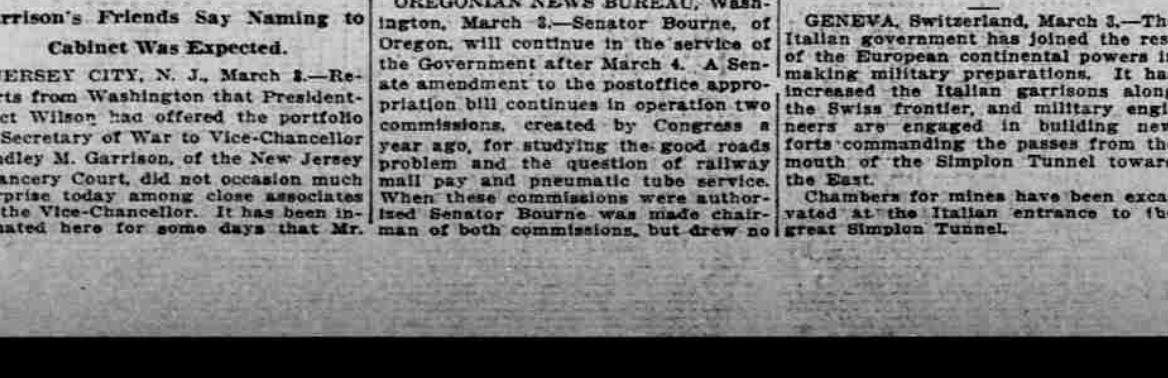
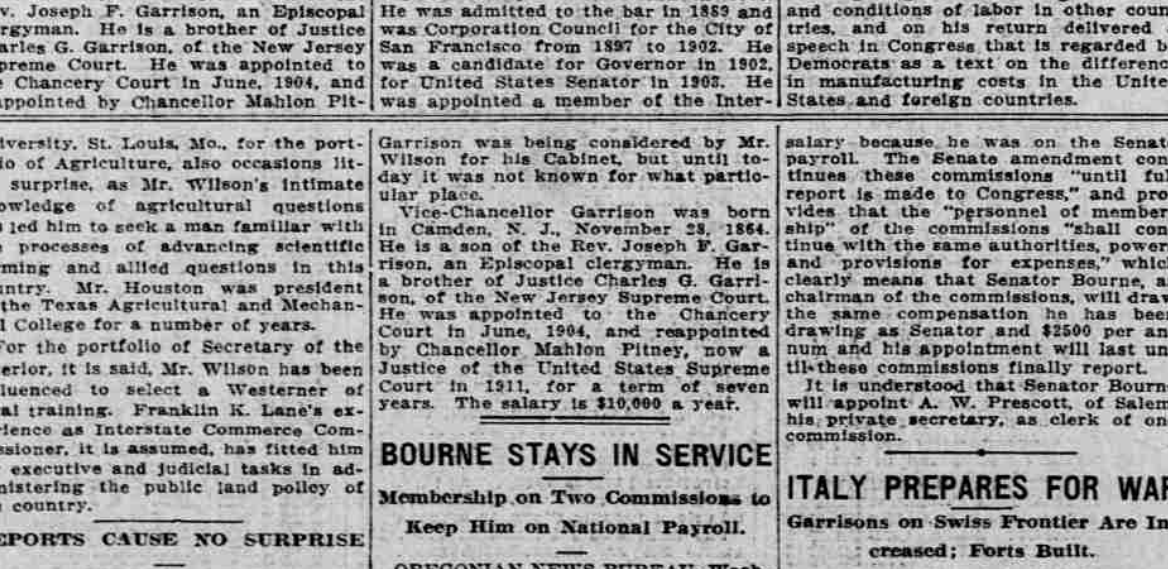
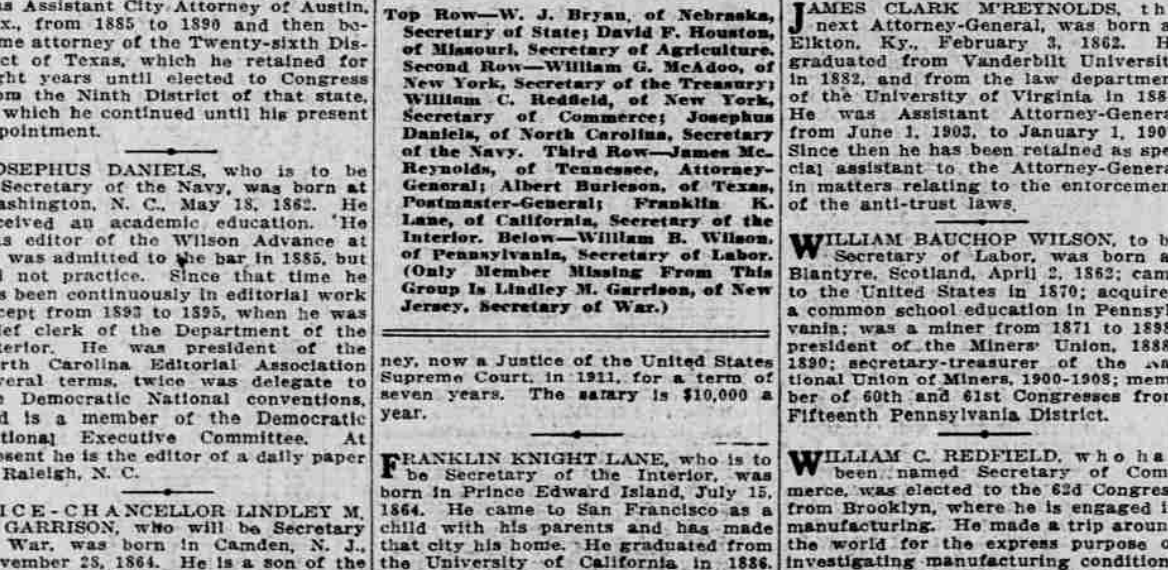
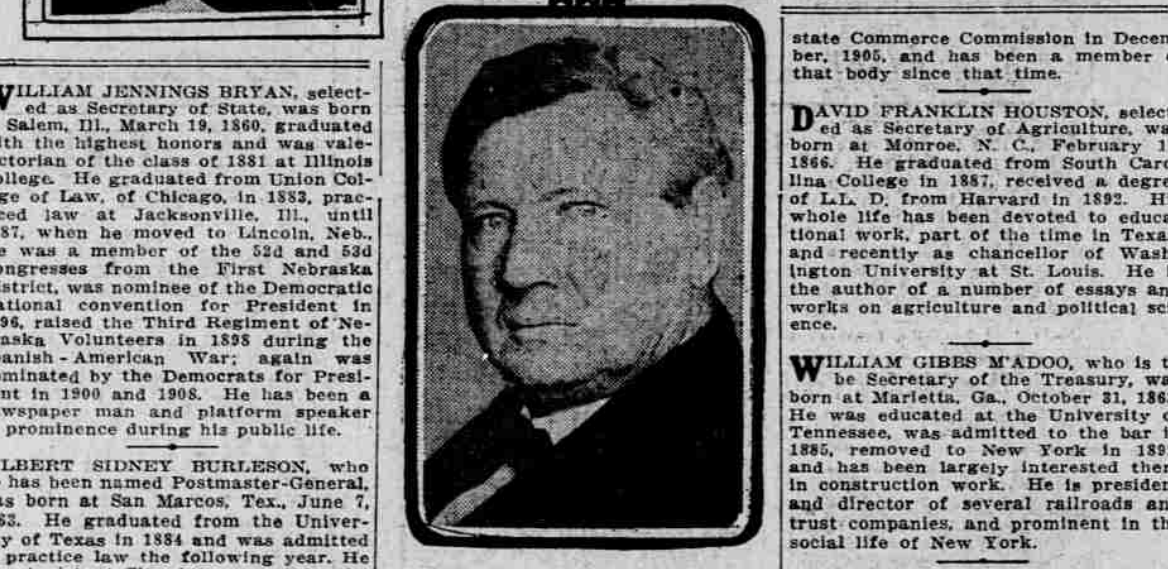


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WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, selected as Secretary of State, was born at Salem, Ill., March 19, 1856, graduated with the highest honors and was valedictorian of the class of 1881 at Illinois College. He graduated from Union College of Law, of Chicago, in 1882, practiced law at Jacksonville, Ill., until 1887, when he moved to Lincoln, Neb. He was a member of the 52d and 53d Congresses from the First Nebraska District, was nominated by the Democratic National convention for President in 1896, raised the Third Regiment of Nebraska Volunteers in 1898 during the Spanish-American War; again was nominated by the Democrats for President in 1900 and 1908. He has been a newspaper man and platform speaker of prominence during his public life.

ALBERT SIDNEY BURLISON, who has been named Postmaster-General, was born at San Marcos, Tex., June 7, 1862. He graduated from the University of Texas in 1884 and was admitted to practice law the following year. He was Assistant City Attorney of Austin, Tex., from 1885 to 1889 and then became attorney of the Twenty-sixth District of Texas, which he retained for eight years until elected to Congress from the Ninth District of that state, in which he continued until his present appointment.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS, who is to be Secretary of the Navy, was born at Washington, N. C., May 18, 1852. He received an academic education. He was editor of the Wilson Advance at 18, was admitted to the bar in 1875, but did not practice. Since that time he has been continuously in editorial work except from 1893 to 1895, when he was chief clerk of the Department of the Interior. He was president of the North Carolina Editorial Association several times, twice was delegate to the Democratic National conventions, and is a member of the Democratic National Executive Committee. At present he is the editor of a daily paper at Raleigh, N. C.

DAVID FRANKLIN HOUSTON, selected as Secretary of Agriculture, was born at Monroe, N. C., February 17, 1866. He graduated from South Carolina College in 1887, received a degree of LL. D. from Harvard in 1892. His whole life has been devoted to educational work, part of the time in Texas, and recently as chancellor of Washington University at St. Louis. He is the author of a number of essays and works on agriculture and political science.

WILLIAM GIBBS M'ADOO, who is to be Secretary of the Treasury, was born at Marietta, Ga., October 31, 1855. He was educated at the University of Tennessee, was admitted to the bar in 1885, removed to New York in 1892, and has been a largely interested in construction work. He is president and director of several railroads and trust companies, and prominent in the social life of New York.

JAMES CLARK M'REYNOLDS, the next Attorney-General, was born at Elkton, Ky., February 3, 1862. He graduated from Vanderbilt University in 1884, and from the law department of the University of Virginia in 1884. He was Assistant Attorney-General from June 1, 1902, to January 1, 1907. Since then he has been retained as special assistant to the Attorney-General in matters relating to the enforcement of the anti-trust laws.

FRANKLIN KNIGHT LANE, who is to be Secretary of the Interior, was born in Prince Edward Island, July 15, 1864. He came to San Francisco as a child with his parents and has made that city his home. He graduated from the University of California in 1886. He was admitted to the bar in 1889 and was Corporation Counsel for the City of San Francisco from 1897 to 1902. He was a candidate for Governor in 1902, for United States Senator in 1905. He was appointed a member of the Interior.

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD, who has been named Secretary of Commerce, was elected to the 63d Congress from Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1911, and was chairman of the commission, will draw the same compensation he has been drawing as Senator and \$2500 per annum and his appointment will last until these commissions finally report. It is understood that Senator Bourne will appoint A. W. Prescott, of Salem, his private secretary, as clerk of one commission.

GARRISON was being considered by Mr. Wilson for his Cabinet, but until today it was not known for what particular place. Vice-Chancellor Garrison was born in Camden, N. J., November 23, 1864. He is a son of the Rev. Joseph F. Garrison, an Episcopal clergyman. He is a brother of Justice Charles G. Garrison, of the New Jersey Supreme Court. He was appointed to the Chancery Court in June, 1904, and reappointed by Chancellor Mahlon Pitney, now a Justice of the United States Supreme Court, in 1911, for a term of seven years. The salary is \$10,000 a year.

REPORTS CAUSE NO SURPRISE

Garrison's Friends Say Naming to Cabinet Was Expected.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 3.—Reports from Washington that President-elect Wilson had offered the portfolio of Secretary of War to Vice-Chancellor Lindley M. Garrison, of the New Jersey Chancery Court, did not occasion much surprise today among close associates of the Vice-Chancellor. It has been intimated here for some days that Mr.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 3.—Senator Bourne, of Oregon, will continue in the service of the Government after March 4. A Senate amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill continues in operation two commissions, created by Congress a year ago, for studying the good roads problem and the question of railway mail pay and pneumatic tube service. When these commissions were authorized Senator Bourne was made chairman of both commissions, but drew no

ITALY PREPARES FOR WAR

Garrisons on Swiss Frontier Are Increased; Forts Built.

GENEVA, Switzerland, March 3.—The Italian government has joined the rest of the European continental powers in making military preparations. It has increased the Italian garrisons along the Swiss frontier, and military engineers are engaged in building new forts commanding the passes from the month of the Simplon Tunnel toward the East.

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WILSON CABINET CHOSEN

Administration and this burden will fall on the head of the War Department. Vice-Chancellor Garrison is a close friend of Mr. Wilson and is regarded as one of the best men New Jersey has ever elevated to the bench.

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TIGER CHEER ROARS AS WILSON ARRIVES

Princeton Students and Graduates Form Lane of Honor at Station.

VETERAN TEXAN IS JOYOUS

Captain "Bill" McDonald Is First to Greet President-elect When He Reaches Hotel—Trip on Train Is Enjoyable.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President-elect Wilson's arrival in Washington was quite similar to his departure from Princeton. Students of Princeton University formed in a narrow lane, stretching from the train steps to the President's room in the Union Station. There was deep silence as the President-elect, followed by members of his family, walked through the avenue formed by the students. The latter stood with their hats off. Mr. Wilson also doffed his silk hat. Walking with him were William Corcoran, Eastla, chairman of the inaugural committee, and Thomas Nelson Page, chairman of the Wilson reception committee.

"Locomotive" Cheer Given. In the President's room Mr. Wilson was introduced to the 80 members of the reception committee, while the students grouped themselves on the esplanade just outside the station. Here, as Mr. Wilson got into a White House automobile, cheer after cheer came from the Princeton students. First they gave the "locomotive" cheer, with its "tee-hee-hee-hee," "for Wilson and then "for Princeton." They alternated this with a thundering roar until the President-elect started away.

Colonel Spencer S. Cosby, chief aide to President Taft, and a naval and military aide from the White House accompanied Mr. Wilson to his hotel. There were cheers along the way as pedestrians recognized the party.

The first person to greet the President-elect and Mrs. Wilson on the steps of the hotel was Captain "Bill" McDonald, the aged Texas ranger and body-guard to Mr. Wilson during the recent campaign.

Texas Ranger Greeted. "How are you?" exclaimed the President-elect and Mrs. Wilson at the same time as they stepped forward and grasped Captain McDonald's hand. The Captain, who, it frequently is said in Texas, is filled with so much lewd from shooting affairs in the ranger service that he would sink if he went swimming, was overcome with joy. He wore a big felt sombrero, an incongruous companion to the silk hat of the President-elect.

"I'd never a-died happy if I hadn't been here today," said Captain Bill, as he walked arm in arm with President-elect Wilson to the hotel.

The President-elect found the corridors of the hotel crowded with Princeton alumni, wearing orange and black rosettes. The Wilsons went immediately to their suite on the fourth floor of the hotel, where John F. Wilson, a cousin of the President-elect and a score of relatives were waiting to receive them. The President-elect had been in his rooms but a few minutes when Vice-President-elect Marshall and Mrs. Marshall called to pay their respects.

Trip Seems Brief to Wilson. Mr. Wilson's three-and-a-half-hour trip from Princeton to the National Capital seemed like a moment to him, he said. He found aboard the train which the students had provided especially for him every comfort and convenience. They had invited also some of the intimate friends of the Wilson family and the latter found themselves in a homelike atmosphere all the way.

Mr. Wilson sat in the rear parlor car with his family, chatting most of the time with his friends. Colonel Thomas H. Birch, personal aide to Mr. Wilson as Governor for New Jersey, appeared for the first time in gold braid uniform.

Chief came into the smoking compartment when Mr. Wilson was accompanied by a uniformed aide and he was somewhat uneasy over it. When his son, good-naturedly, "I'm nobody yet."

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