

HOUSTON DECLARED ESPECIALLY FITTED FOR NEW POSITION

Wilson Regards Him as One of Strong Men of Administration; Meredith Also Very Capable.

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Washington, Jan. 28.—Those Democrats who have been hoping ever since the European war ended that President Wilson would reorganize his cabinet are deriving considerable satisfaction out of his selection today of Edwin T. Meredith of Iowa, editor of Successful Farming, to be secretary of agriculture, and David F. Houston of Missouri, present head of the department of agriculture, to be secretary of the treasury in place of Carter Glass, who soon will take his seat as junior senator from Virginia.

Whether a complete reorganization of the cabinet is coming depends largely upon public sentiment—that is the statement of the Democrats who recognize that while Mr. Wilson may have good reason for desiring to change cabinet officers in the midst of the war, he ought to see the political wisdom of at least mending fences this presidential year, when the Democratic party goes on trial, not so much for its management of congress, which the country passed upon adversely in 1918, as for its custodianship of the executive departments.

DEMOCRATS SATISFIED
However much administration folk may deny it, politics played a large part in the selection of Messrs. Meredith and Houston, but insofar as it may be considered good politics, the Democratic wisecracks hope good appointments made on that basis may be forgiven.

Plainly, the situation that confronted the president was this: Mr. Houston, while exceedingly capable, and spoken of once by President Wilson as the best equipped man in the cabinet to become president of the United States, has not been particularly impressive with the farmers. He has had none of the personal contact or magnetism of "Tama" Jim Wilson, secretary of agriculture nearly 14 years under Republican administrations. And, far from being fond of the agricultural post, Mr. Houston has really had a hankering after matters financial. Indeed, he is a versatile person, a sort of general utility man. When Mr. Bryan resigned, the president considered appointing him secretary of state. The chief executive also has had him under consideration for secretary of interior in the event that Mr. Lane was selected for some other post in the cabinet.

IS "MAN OF ACTION"
But Mr. Houston is not a vote getter. His abilities are of much more use to the administration in the treasury than in the agricultural department, for he has sound views on economics and can steer an even keel.

It will be remembered that the tariff policy of the present administration—at least that part of it which was criticized as a reversal of Democratic doctrine because the principle of protection for dyestuffs and other infant industries was admitted—came from the pen of Secretary Houston. He stood like a rock in the cabinet, immovable against pacifist views of William Jennings Bryan in the Lusitania controversy and has always been considered by newspaper correspondents hereabouts as one of the "men of action" in the cabinet.

On the other hand, consider Edward Meredith of Iowa. He is president of the Associated Advertising Clubs, editor of a farming magazine that has been more or less a Bible among farmers. He understands the business of publicity and is himself an attractive personality. He is an excellent campaigner. He ran for governor on the Democratic ticket in Iowa a few years ago. His platform favored the "dry" and good roads, but in Iowa, which swung heavily for Hughes, Mr. Meredith had little chance. He is a very wealthy man, but is well-made. He has been for Woodrow Wilson.

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POLITICAL BENEFIT
Recognition of the West is important this year, they say, and Edward Meredith can get Democratic votes if anybody can. Without making invidious comparisons, there is no doubt that the Democratic administration will benefit politically a great deal more from the presence of Mr. Meredith in the agricultural department than of Mr. Houston. As for the treasury, while the new secretary will bring to it a remarkably fine mind and a broad knowledge of financial policy gained by his intimate connection with the Wilson policies—for he has been one of the best advisers of the president throughout the last seven years—it will be difficult for him at once to grasp the intricate detail of the treasury department. It was for that reason Secretary Glass wanted to see Assistant Secretary Leffingwell promoted.

MORE CHANGES PROBABLE
The latter has the confidence of the entire personnel in the treasury department and has an international reputation. There was considerable disappointment expressed in circles where politics are of least concern that the president did not see fit to throw politics to the winds and appoint Mr. Leffingwell. If the latter should remain in the treasury department, Mr. Houston would have a capable assistant, but without knowing anything of Mr. Leffingwell's present intentions, it has been generally understood that he planned to go back to the practice of law in New York as soon as he could get away. He came here only for the duration of the war, but was prevailed upon to continue in office on account of the crisis in the treasury department when Mr. McAdoo left, and it was necessary to help Secretary Glass get onto the ropes. Generally speaking, the selection of Messrs. Houston and Meredith were looked upon as an indication of further changes. A successor to Secretary Lane remains to be chosen. For a time there was a possibility of change in the postoffice department—it was demanded by leading Democrats. But Mr. Wilson's pride interfered and Mr. Burleson stayed. The situation seems to be like this: The president recognizes the value of making good appointments this year, but he is rather sensitive about asking members of his cabinet to resign, so unless they voluntarily withdraw, the chances for reorganization are slim.

Newport Workman Is Badly Hurt in Blast

Newport, Jan. 28.—The Miami quarry at Pioneer was the scene of a premature blasting accident Monday afternoon in which John Crinch, an employe, narrowly escaped with his life, but was seriously injured. The left side of his face was mashed, his jaw was broken and his eyesight destroyed. He was brought to Newport on the evening train for medical attention.

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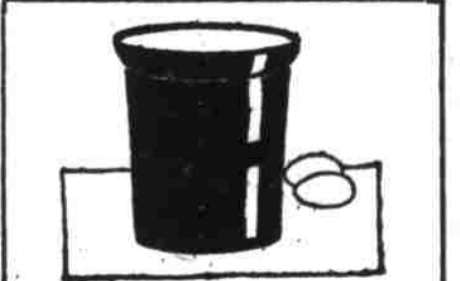
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