

WILSON CUTTING OUT OFFICIAL RED TAPE

WASHINGTON SEES SMASHING OF PRECEDENT

Wilson Starts Out to Become Democratic President in Fact as Well as...

Abolishes Unwritten Law Forbidding President Being Directly Quoted—Te See Reporters Regularly

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—Smashing precedents right an dleft and giving every indication that he is to be a democratic president in reality as well as in name, Woodrow Wilson today made official Washington sit up and take notice as it never did before.

Cut Out Patronage.

The new president's first blow at red tape came when he announced that he would let the heads of departments in his government dispose of the patronage unhindered by suggestions and without dictation from himself.

But even these departures, record-breaking as they were, were as nothing to the president's department in his office. First he received a delegation of 100 New York admirers who did not even have an appointment and who had asked for none.

To Be Quoted Free ly.

To add to the general atmosphere of democracy, a dozen photographers were allowed in the outer presidential offices where they photographed callers indiscriminately, and even got a couple of good snapshots of Secretary Tamm at work.

Today Tamm mingled freely with the visitors and the newspaper correspondents in the outer offices and engaged warmly in the handshaking, giving every evidence that he was glad he was there, and didn't care who knew it.

But the final touch of Wilson's get-at-abilities came, when, through Tamm he announced that hereafter the unwritten law which forbids a president being directly quoted would be law no longer.

TAFT AT AUGUSTA AS PRIVATE CITIZEN

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 5.—"Mister" William H. Taft and Harry Lander, the Scotch comedian, battled on the golf links for supremacy here this afternoon. The former president, relieved of the responsibilities of office, appeared as carefree as a boy and shook with laughter over the quips and cranks of the famous Scotchman.

All Augusta took a day off to welcome Taft, and the greeting he received made him forget that he is again a private citizen after serving the public continually since he was 21 years of age.

BRYAN PREMIER NEW CABINET NAMED TODAY

Previous Announcements Confirmed—First Meeting Held, Nothing is Done but Getting Acquainted—Lane Secretary of the Interior

Redfield Secretary of Commerce, Wilson of Labor, Houston of Agriculture, Daniels of Navy

WASHINGTON, March 5.—With William J. Bryan as premier of his official family, President Wilson today sent the following cabinet appointments to the senate:

Secretary of state, William Jennings Bryan, Nebraska.

Secretary of war, Lindley M. Garrison, New Jersey.

Secretary of treasury, William G. McAdoo, New York.

Attorney general, James C. McReynolds, Tennessee.

Postmaster general, Albert Burleson, Texas.

Secretary of the navy, Josephus Daniels, North Carolina.

Secretary of the interior, Franklin K. Lane, California.

Secretary of agriculture, David A. Houston, Missouri.

Secretary of commerce, William C. Redfield, New York.

Secretary of labor, William C. Wilson, Pennsylvania.

The meeting of the new cabinet ended at 11 o'clock. Secretary Bryan said that nothing was done, the members merely getting acquainted. Later Bryan conferred with former Secretary of State Knox.

FIRST CABINET MEETING NEW REGIME HELD

WASHINGTON, March 5.—After setting forth his policy toward office seekers the president got down to real work. First he dictated letters to retiring members of President Taft's cabinet and accepting their resignations. The dictations were taken by Charles Swen, aged 18, who was brought here from Trenton to act as Wilson's official stenographer.

The new cabinet met for the first time in the cabinet room at 10 o'clock. The first arrivals were Secretary of War Garrison and Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

Secretary of State Bryan and Secretary of the Interior Lane chatted. "I feel perfectly at home in the White House," Bryan told the newspapermen.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo was the last to arrive. Vice President Marshall did not attend the meeting.

Secretary Bryan, following his conference with former Secretary of State Knox, conferred with President Wilson.

Bryan refused to discuss any business of the state department or reports that several American foreign ministers had resigned.

NEW YORK, March 5.—American Can rallied briskly today after a lull in the stock market today. Gaining two and a quarter. Smelting, Amalgamated and Reading advanced 1 to 2 above yesterday's close. Bears tried to continue the decline that marked the opening, but soon desisted. The advances embraced all of the speculative favorites. Tobacco ranged from four point below to nine point above par. The market closed dull. Bonds were irregular.

Commanding Personalities in the New Democratic Administration



A. S. BURLESON New Postmaster General, Who Will Handle Postmasterships.

BURLESON WILL SEE APPLICANTS FOR POST OFFICE

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The president regrets to be obliged to announce that he deems his duty not to see applicants for office personally, except when he himself invites them to the White House for an interview.

This is the opening paragraph of the first official statement to come from the White House since President Wilson assumed the reins of government. It was dictated by the president shortly after breakfast today.

"It is his purpose," the statement continues, "to devote his attention earnestly and constantly to the business of government and large questions of policy affecting the nation. He knows from experience as governor of New Jersey that the greater part of his time and energy would be spent in interviewing candidates for office unless he sets an invariable rule. It is his intention to deal with appointments through the heads of the several executive departments."

Politicians here believe that this means that Postmaster General Burleson will have entire charge of giving out postmasterships. Heretofore presidents always have conferred with congressmen and senators regarding these appointments.

STATE PRINTING EXPERT HANGS ON TO JOB

SALEM, Ore., March 5.—Through a bill being introduced, it was learned today that State Printing Expert Harris will retain his position. The legislature had passed a bill abolishing the position, after much discussion. The bill with this end in view was introduced in the enrolling committee and when found it was too late for the legislature to pass it over the governor's veto.

AMERICAN KILLED ON MEXICAN BORDER

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Frank Horace, an American, was killed while standing in the doorway of his shop at Coahuacan, Mexico, according to telegrams received at the state department today from United States Counsel Kirk at Manzanillo. The same bullet, it was said, also killed a Mexican. No other details were received.

MATSON TO REPRESENT OREGON BEFORE FRIEDMANN

SALEM, Ore., March 5.—Dr. Ray W. Matson of Portland was today commissioned by Governor West to represent Oregon at the clinic established in this country by Dr. Friedmann of Berlin, who asserts he has made a wonderful cure for tuberculosis. At this clinic he has said he will give free demonstrations and instructions in the use and effect of his cure.



W. J. Bryan Secretary of State and Dominating Figure in Administration.

PERHAM IS GIVEN CONTRACT FOR NEW BRIDGE OVER ROGUE

E. G. Perham who built the new bridge over Bear Creek in this city was found to be the lowest bidder for the erection of the new bridge over Rogue River to replace the old Bybee bridge, when the county court opened bids today and was awarded the contract.

Four bids were received as follows: E. G. Perham, \$18,800; U. S. Steel Products, \$19,492.22; Portland Iron Works, \$22,400; Northwest Steel company, \$24,925.

The contract was let and work will start at once. The bids were turned over when opened to William Gerig, consulting engineer for the county, who recommended that the contract be awarded to Mr. Perham.

Two bids were received for the steel alone, one from the U. S. Steel Products company, \$9,692; the other from the Northwest Steel company, for \$9,000. The latter firm made a verbal offer for a bridge without specifications, on February 1st for \$6,500. Apparently if the latter had been purchased by the county it would have been so light as to be practically useless.

The bridge will be the heaviest yet built over the Rogue river and guaranteed for a 30 ton weight.

TURK WARSHIP SINKS TRANSPORT FULL OF GREEKS

BERLIN, March 5.—The most serious disaster to Greek arms since the opening of the Balkan war is reported today in dispatches from Constantinople received by the Frankfurt Gazette. These advices say that the Turkish cruiser Hamidja sank the Greek transport Themistocles, loaded with troops en route from Salonika to Cassandra, and that every soul on board perished.

Two other transports with Greek and Serbian troops aboard escaped from the Turkish cruiser's firing.

PAYS \$200 FINE FOR INDECENT EXHIBITION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Mar. 5.—A fine of \$200 was imposed today by Police Judge Deasy on Sid Gramman, manager of the Empress theatre who pleaded guilty yesterday to violation of the section of the code which makes it a misdemeanor to persuade inmates of a disorderly house to engage in an indecent exhibition.

EDGAR E. CLARK JOHN H. MARBLE ON COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, March 5.—President Wilson sent to the senate the nomination of Edgar E. Clark of Iowa and John H. Marble of California to be members of the interstate commerce commission. The names were submitted to the senate with those of the cabinet appointments.

Louis D. Brandeis, a Boston attorney, will be one of the experts employed by the interstate commerce commission to conduct the government's examination into the financial methods of the nation's big railroads, as provided in Senator La Follette's physical valuation bill, according to reports here today.

The bill gives the commission authority to employ experts and investigate all elements of value for rate making purposes, and then report to congress on the claims of the railroads and the views of the experts regarding the physical valuation as a basis for fixing rates.

It also was reported that Brandeis will become a member of the commission when the terms of Commissioner Clements expires next December.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE LOSES IN MAINE

AUGUSTA, Me., March 5.—By a vote of 89 to 53 the house killed the bill providing for a referendum vote of the people on a woman suffrage amendment to the constitution here today. The bill had passed the senate.

BOSTON, March 5.—Woman suffrage in Massachusetts was killed for the time being here today, when a special legislative committee asked leave to withdraw from further consideration of a bill striking the word "male" from the election laws.

M'COMBS REFUSES CABINET POSITION

WASHINGTON, March 5.—In announcing his cabinet appointments, President Wilson issued the following statement: "Those who know my affection and admiration for William F. McCombs will wonder why his name is not in the list. Mr. McCombs did not desire a cabinet appointment. I have offered him one of the principal diplomatic posts and I am still hopeful that he will accept."



JOHN W. KERN New Majority Leader of the Senate.

KERN CHOSEN SENATE LEADER FOR DEMOCRACY

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Senator John W. Kern of Indiana was chosen majority leader of the senate here today through his selection as chairman of the upper house caucus. He was authorized to choose eight other members of the "steering committee," which will superintend the final formation of the new senate. The caucus will meet again tomorrow to ratify his election.

Senator Salisbury of Delaware and Newlands of Nevada were elected secretary and vice chairman, respectively, of the "steering committee."

Senator Tillman of South Carolina read a paper urging harmony in the committee.

Champ Clark was unanimously renominated by the Democrats as speaker of the new congress. Congressman Russell of Missouri made the nominating speech in the Democratic caucus.

The house democrats elected Representative Palmer of Pennsylvania chairman of the house democratic caucus committee to succeed Representative Burleson. Representative Underwood of Alabama was unanimously re-elected chairman of the house ways and means committee.

PEOPLE DYING WHILE PHYSICIANS FIGHT OVER CURE

NEW YORK, March 5.—"Great God men! People are dying while all this talk is going on. Give this man a square deal and let him prove the worth of his culture."

This was the plea voiced here today for Dr. Frederick Franz Friedmann, discoverer of an alleged tuberculous cure, by Charles E. Finlay, millionaire president of the Aetna National bank of New York, who bitterly denounced what he characterized as "efforts made in certain quarters to embarrass the Berlin specialist."

Finley openly charges that New York physicians were interfering with Dr. Friedmann, and that he had found it impossible to rent suitable quarters and offices in which to demonstrate his cure.

"All I ask," declared Finlay, "is that Dr. Friedmann be given a chance. That is all he wants, too. If they will, he will try to demonstrate the worth of his cure, but this act of condemning him even before he is given an opportunity to show his wares is un-American and unfair."

"Thousands of consumptives are waiting for some definite assurance of the efficiency of Dr. Friedmann's remedy. Cannot these New York doctors understand just what it means to these unfortunate sufferers? Where is the vaunted fairness of the American people? It is unjust and inhuman to condemn a man without a chance. He has been unable even to rent a suite of offices."

ROGUE FISH BILL IS PASSED OVER VETO OF WEST

Legislature Adjourns Sine Die at Midnight After Passing 29 of 40 Measures Vetoed—Nineteen Were Salary Bills Increasing Official Pay

Veto Sustained on Superior Court Bill and on Repeal of Printer's Flat Salary Law

SALEM, Ore., March 5.—The Rogue river fish bill passed the senate by a vote of 17 to 6 and the house by 44 to 8. The house delegation from Jackson county was united. Reames, Carlin and Westerland voting to sustain the veto.

SALEM, Ore., March 5.—The twenty-fifth legislative assembly adjourned sine die shortly before midnight after passing 29 of the 40 measures vetoed by Governor West. Of the 29 that were passed, 19 were salary bills.

The senate bill fixing salaries in Josephine county was also passed over the governor's veto. The bill fixing the salary of county school superintendent of Josephine county was withdrawn after the passage of the senate bill.

The Rogue river fishing bill was passed, as was the bill providing for investigation of the resources of the Celilo rapids in the Columbia river. Carson's bill providing that no expenditures shall be made on state work or institutions without first having an appropriation made for it, was passed.

Veto Is Sustained. The governor's veto was sustained in the Abbott bill, which repealed the law placing the state printer on a flat salary and on the presidential primary bill.

The legislature also sustained the governor's veto of Latourrette's bill changing the circuit courts of the state to superior courts. Eleven new judicial positions would have been created under this bill.

Immediately after the opening prayer, Reames of Jackson precipitated a test vote by presenting a resolution calling for immediate adjournment sine die, the purpose of the gathering of legislators, he declared, being merely to validate all laws by making certain of a sine die adjournment.

How They Lined Up. Reames asked that his resolution be referred to the resolutions committee with instructions to report in 30 minutes. Parsons jumped to his feet with a motion for indefinite postponement. It carried by vote of 25 to 14, putting the house on record as desiring to pass on vetoed measures as follows:

Ayes—Abbott, Anderson of Wasco, Applegate, Barton, Blanchard, Carlin, Carpenter, Childs, Forbes, Hall, Handley, Heltzel, Hinkle, Hughes, Johnson, Latourrette, Lewelling, Mann, McDonald, Meek, Mitchell, Nichols, Nolte, Olson, Parsons, Peirce, Schoerr, Smith Spencer, Standish.

WOMEN TO FORCE DOWN APPLE PRICES

PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—With plenty of apples on hand and the co-operation of dealers and wholesalers assured the three day apple sale planned by the home economics department of the Women's Club, will begin tomorrow. The sale marks the first organized effort of the women of the city to solve the problem of the high cost of living and it is understood sales of other products are already being considered.

Much interest is being shown in the sale by grocers and it is believed that virtually every one of the six hundred stores in Portland will carry apple displays and will quote attractive prices.