MEN WHO FORM PRESIDENT TAFT'S CABINET

President Taft's cabinet of nine men is headed by Philander Chase Knox, secretary of state, who was born in 1853 at Brownsville, Pa. He 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 Pensylvania. The latter position he resigned to become the head of President Taft's cabinet. He was a candidate for the presidential nomination at the Republican national convention of 1908. Mr. Knox is recognized as one of the foremost constitutional lawyers in the country.

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.

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.

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 1893-97 was president of the St. Louis city council. He is a member of the Republican national committee.

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.

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 1888 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 & Cadwalladare, to which Henry W. Taft, brother of the president, belongs.

ABE LEE AT LEADVILLE.

Said to Have Made First Discovery of Gold in California Gulch.

"When the history of Leadville is written," said Max Boehmer of Denver in talking of the early mining development of the district, "there should be no mistake as to who actually made the first discovery of gold in California Gulch. The man was Abe Lee, who died in Park county a few years ago. He was one of the best known characters in this section. He was the first recorder of Lake county.

"The first prospecting party that entered the gulch was under the leadership of Abe, and they had not been very successful. They worked all the way up the gulch from below Granite without finding any values, and all of them were nearly blinded by the snow. They were about ready to quit when Lee suggested that they try another pan. He dug down until he struck a layer of cement, and below this the gravel was softer. Lee, although suffering terribly from snow blindness, managed to pan the gravel, and the result was that they at once recovered confidence. He worked the gulch for a long time and made plenty of money.

"The question has also been asked," continued Mr. Boehmer, "where did the millions of dollars taken out of the California gulch placers in early days go?

"If I remember rightly, no one made a very large pile, but there were scores of men who left the gulch with $25,000 or $30,000 and went back east to establish themselves in business or to buy farms. As a rule they were sober, industrious men, and the fortunes they made in the gulch gave them a competence which enabled them to prosper in their undertakings in other parts of the country."—Denver Republican.

Plan Large Mexican Canal.

Civil engineers are said to be busy near Reynosa making the plans for a large gravity canal from the Rio Grande into the Mexican territory. It is possible that the water may be taken from the river for a distance of about thirty miles into the interior.

Turn to the Right Naturally.

The Philadelphia Record recently quoted an observant street car conductor to the effect that the right hand seats are always filled first. He could not account for this except on the theory that as most persons are right handed and accustomed to turning to the right, it might be simply force of habit. "There is another probable reason which he did not think of," says the Record. "It is generally believed that the right side of a car is safer. An old traveler once said to the writer: 'In traveling always sit in the middle of a car and on the right-hand side. The middle is safer than the ends in a collision and the right side is at likely to be "side-swiped" by projecting objects on trains, cars or any vehicles passing on the adjacent track.'"

Innocent Johnny.

Visitor (from the city)—I am sure we'll be great friends, Johnny.

Hostess' Little Boy—You bet! I like your looks first rate, Miss Tiggs. What nice golden hair you've got! And what pretty black eyebrows!

HER AWFUL DREAM

MRS. ESTERBROOK RELATES A TALE OF WOE.

Mr. Esterbrook Also Interested in His Wife's Adventures in Slumberland—Vision Breaks Off at an Interesting Point.

"I wouldn't tell that dream before breakfast for $10,000,000," said young Mrs. Esterbrook with financial precision.

"Bosh," commented Mr. Esterbrook. "Anyway, breakfast is almost ready, Lucy. I know what's the matter with my safety razor. I must have bent it when I dropped it in the washbowl."

He tenderly felt a row of scratches on his face that suggested recent dispute with a woods cat.

During breakfast Mrs. Esterbrook maintained a sober silence. But it was plain that the dream desired greatly to rise and display itself. It clamored inwardly to be heard.

At last, when Mr. Esterbrook had carefully folded his napkin in the way Mrs. Esterbrook always said it shouldn't be folded, she rested both elbows on the table and began.

"Bob," she said, "it was an awful dream. You and I were lost in the mountains where we were last summer. We walked and walked, and climbed and climbed, and slipped on smooth places, and jumped bottomless pits—O, it was awful!"

Mr. Esterbrook grunted as an indication that he was listening, but kept his eye on an attractive item in the paper beside his plate.

"And then," continued his wife, "I slipped and almost went over a cliff into an awful chasm, and you reached out and caught me, and then you slipped, and before I could reach you you went down—down—down—miles and miles, it seemed to me, until I heard you strike the rocks below.

"Well, I went on alone through those awful woods and finally came to a beautiful grove—like California or Florida or the Garden of Eden, and passing through it I reached a great hotel all white and with colonial pillars.

"They were dancing in the big hall and I went in and danced until a man with a pointed yellow beard came up and said:

"'You look like a cousin of mine—you'd be all right if you knew how to dress.' That made me mad, and I went over to a big mirror, and Bob, what do you suppose I had on?"

"Smoking jacket? Kimono?" suggested her husband dryly.

"No, sir," she said, "I had on that old crepe de chine I wore at Mamie's wedding. Think of my being there in that dress, Bob—two seasons behind the times. Wasn't it horrible?"

Mr. Esterbrook started to say something. He choked and rose.

"Awful," he remarked. "Terrible. It must have been fearfully embarrassing; but did they ever recover my body?"

"I don't know," confessed his wife. "I woke up before we got to that. But wasn't it an awful dream?"

"It surely was," said her husband, struggling into his overcoat.—Galveston News.

Proposals and Arguments.

I will confess that I attach much more importance to men's theoretical arguments than to their practical proposals. . . . I attach more importance to what is said than to what is done; what is said generally lasts much longer and has much more influence. I can imagine no change worse for public life than that which some prize advocate, that politics should be curtailed. A man's arguments show what he is really up to. Until you have heard the defense of a proposal you do not really know even the proposal. Thus, for instance, if a man says to me, "Taste it before you drink," I have merely doubt, slightly tinged with distaste. But if he says, "Taste it, because your wife would make a charming widow," then I decide. I would be openly moved in my choice of an institution, not by its immediate proposals for practice, but very much by its incidental, even its accidental, allusion to ideals. I judge many things by their parentheses.—From the Forum.

Amazing Appetites.

The appetite of a whale is wonderful. His chief diet consists of jelly fish. He has simply to open his mouth and paddle along leisurely in order to take in jellyfish by the cartload. Such is the method adopted by the whalebone whale. The sperm whale, on the contrary, captures huge shoals of fish, weighing often several tons. Like his brother, the whalebone whale he must be constantly on the lookout for food. Otherwise he would starve. As many as 14 seals have been taken from a 30-feet "killer." Other fishes of enormous appetites are not uncommon. The bluefish, for example, thrives on sardines and other small fish. Most curious of all eaters is the hydra, a strange creature that can be turned inside out without impairing its appetite or its power to eat.

Perhaps.

The only way to get the best of consumption would be to first round up all the tuberculosis experts and the whole doctoreuss cult and kill 'em off with their own prescriptions, and then turn the consulate army and militia loose on the state and city with orders to kill every one over ten, and every one under it, that hadn't been killed off with vaccine virus or antitoxin, and then burn all the cities down, and after making the earth a desolation, to then catch the east wind and pump it full of serum fake cures and vaccine sure-death virus, until it blew like, and smelt like, and felt like, "the warm and spicy breezes of Araby," and then and only then, will consumption get off the job, all other wind jamming and dollar corralling stories to the contrary.—"Cracks," Philadelphia.

Why He Quit.

Bill—How did you get rid of that bill-collector so quickly?

Jill—Why, as soon as he came in I started to tell him one of those smart things my youngest bay said this morning.—Yonkers Statesman.

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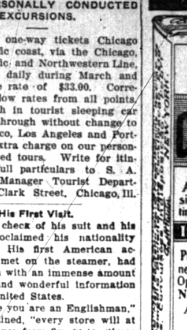

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