

WILSON TO SWEEP OWN DEPARTMENT

President Plans to Replace Policies With Efficiency in Diplomatic Corps

BETTER MEN ON BOARDS Will Ask Higher Remuneration So Able Men Will Accept Appointments to Commissions

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—President Wilson during the next four years will devote much time and thought to improving the administrative division of the Government.

Among the things he has in mind are: Establishment of a high standard of efficiency to govern appointments to Federal commissions and boards.

With the close of the present session of Congress the President expects the major portion of his legislative program—laws which he had in mind when he first took office—to have been enacted into law.

There will be other legislation, of course, but with his ideas on Federal reserve banks, rural credits and other legislation realized, he has told friends, his next efforts will be directed more toward the administrative branch of the Government.

He is expected to set a pace for Federal board efficiency in the selection of his tariff commission. Incidentally, in this connection, he has experienced such hardship getting suitable men at the low salaries allowed by Congress, that he is expected to appeal for more ample remuneration for such work in the future.

There will be a big shake-up in the diplomatic service after March 1. Many "deserving Democrats" are scheduled to go. A new policy with less regard for political patronage is promised.

The President has indicated his desire to secure for the future the services of secretaries in diplomatic service who have proved themselves especially adapted to such work by promoting them to rank of Minister and even to that of Ambassador.

NOT BY SENIORITY In this way the President hopes to instill into the whole diplomatic service the principle of promotion by efficiency and not necessarily by seniority.

The President will, of course, hold himself free to choose ministers and ambassadors from outside the diplomatic corps, should he find men "peculiarly qualified."

In this connection, he has an unpublished report that Secretary Lansing may succeed Ambassador Page at London.

There also have returned reports of Cabinet changes after March 1. But it is officially asserted no such cases are in contemplation, at least, now.

Elkton Marriage Licenses ELKTON, Md., Jan. 22.—Today's usual number of marriage licenses were issued here today to William F. Scott and Margaret S. Rice, Warren G. Lee and Lydia G. Pavonarius, Samuel N. Feunore and Anna E. O'Keefe, William Whit and Freda Graham, Alvin Grier and Catherine Weiss, all of Philadelphia; Harry Thomas and Ellen O'Neill, Gloucester, N. J.; William J. Seavey and Max Burnett, Norristown; William O'Donnell, Newark, Del.; and Elsie W. Penick, Landenberg, Pa.; Charles E. Taggart and Anna H. Kretschmer, Camden, N. J.; Harry Rowles and Eva M. Lilly, Colington, N. J.; Pratt Scarborough, Goldingville, and Elizabeth Thomas, Wilmington; C. O'Neill Kersey, Pimlico, N. J.; Rose A. Parks, Clayton, Del.; Daniel L. Hoffman and Edith Gerwig, Sluicobridge, Del.; George after March 1, but it is officially asserted no such cases are in contemplation, at least, now.



Photograph by Underwood & Underwood. MRS. RUTH T. VISCONTI The peace leak investigation's "Woman of Mystery," who will be called on to explain to the House Rules Committee whether she told Thomas W. Lawson that Secretary Tumulty and a Washington newspaper man were involved in the alleged "leak."

WAR MAY LAST FIVE YEARS, PALMER SAYS

If Peace Fails in Fall, Prolonged Hostilities Are Seen by War Correspondent

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The war in Europe is not over in the fall, it will last five years in the opinion of Frederick Palmer, the war correspondent, who will lecture tonight at the Academy of Music on "My Second Year of the War."

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PROBERS IN NEW YORK FOR INQUIRY ON LEAK

Hearings Begin Tomorrow at Air Wall Street's Part in "Tip" to Market

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—"Here to the line let the chips fall where they may." This is the general plan of the Congressional Committee investigating the alleged leak on President Wilson's peace note, according to members of the committee and Sherman Whipple, the Boston lawyer, who assembled here today for preliminary discussion of the work.

Wall street's end of the leak will be shown at the hearing which starts tomorrow morning at the customs house. The first witnesses before the committee probably will be President Noble and other officials of the New York Stock Exchange.

They will be examined as to the dealings of those three party days around December 20, when more than \$9,000,000 worth of stock changed hands amid scenes of wild excitement.

One thing was made emphatic today by Mrs. Whipple, who will have practically full control of the committee's efforts here. It was that the present New York engagement of the committee did not include an investigation of the Stock Exchange itself.

"The inquiry will be confined entirely to the so-called leak, so far as I know," said Mr. Whipple. Further he refused to talk.

NUDE, EVEN IN MOVIES, UNDER BAN OF CENSORS National Board Now Insists That Sufficient Raiment Is to Be Required for Films

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The nude in motion picture art has come under the ban of the National Board of Review, it was announced here last night. All producing companies that are members of the national association have agreed, it was said, not to permit the production in their studios of photographs using such figures. Instructions to this effect have been sent to directors and scenario writers. Action was taken after "widespread disapproval" of such pictures was disclosed by an investigation covering the entire country.

Danger of overproduction of "sex-prohibitory" films also has been recognized by the board of review. The producers' branch of the association has voted, therefore, that any attempt on the part of any unscrupulous manufacturer to use the motion picture for indecent or immoral purposes must be dealt with summarily and every support offered to the law-enforcing authorities in the suppression of such pictures.

A statement issued by the board of review added, however, that "discussion of sex problems which are being conducted throughout the nation belong to a distinctly different category and deserve dramatic treatment on the screen as well as on the stage."

PROF. CARL O. MATZ KILLED Beloved Lancaster Musician, 70 Years Old, Falls From Window

LANCASTER, Pa., Jan. 22.—Prof. Carl O. Matz, the idol of the local musical world, is dead. The seventy-year-old musician, while adjusting a third-story window this morning fell and his neck was broken on the pavement below.

For many years he taught music in the public schools and was one of the most popular residents of the city. He was president of the Matz Piano Company.

Rescue Workers' Rag Man Dies An illness of a week ended in the death of Frank Prentice, forty years old, a conductor of rags and paper for the American Rag Workers, who was found early today in the home for rescued vagrants at 2145 Arch street. Joseph Ellis, another worker, discovered Prentice on the floor near a window. He called for help and the man was sent to the Eastern Hospital. There it was said he had been dead for hours. The body was taken to the morgue. Prentice is said to have some relatives in New York.

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Will of Kate Scanlon Bequeaths Property to Church and Institutions

Requests of \$500 each to the Little Sisters of the Poor, Eighteenth and Jefferson streets, and the Orphan's Home, Seventh and Spruce streets, are a part of the will of Kate Scanlon, who died recently in the Philadelphia General Hospital. The will, as probated today, leaves \$1,000 to relatives and the balance of an \$18,000 estate to various Catholic churches for masses.

A bequest of \$2,000 to the managers of the Friends Home is contained in the will of Fannie P. Carter, 5256 Knox street, who left to relatives an estate valued at \$25,000; Julia Devaney, who died in the Pennsylvania Hospital, \$25,700; John P. Ford, 3038 North Fifteenth street, \$25,000; Robert Anderson, 1615 Kingsessing avenue, \$16,000; Esther Webb, 1529 North Broad street, \$14,000; Samuel Burnett, 1251 North Park avenue, \$13,200; Fannie Levy, 4256 Frankfort avenue, \$10,270; George W. Freed, 2814 Chestnut street, \$9,755; Mary A. Warner, 1235 Marlborough street, \$9,000; Annie Kelly, 8 South Fifty-first street, \$8,000; Mary J. Scater, 2910 North Twelfth street, \$7,250; Mary Stanfield, 287 Pine street, \$6,800; Ellen Lynch, 2247 Vine street, \$6,000; and Louisa E. Heckerth, Gravel pit, Thirty-fifth Ward, \$2,600.

Dr. John W. Chambers BALTIMORE, Jan. 22.—Dr. John W. Chambers, one of the leading surgeons of Baltimore and believed to be the first surgeon in the South to perform an operation for appendicitis, died at Dublin, Pa. He also was a pioneer in the use of intraligular treatment for diphtheria. He was sixty-four years old.

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