

OFFICIALS ARE EAGER TO QUIT FEDERAL POSTS

Administration Officials Desire to Recoup Financial Losses.

READY FOR RETIREMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Contrary to the impression existing in many quarters the retiring members of the Democratic administration will retreat from Washington after March 4, not with "beaten and lagging footsteps," but with heads up and eager to recoup financially from the losses incurred in years of public service.

Not many Cabinet members in Washington manage to live on their salaries, and there is a positive air of relief around some of the departments at the prospect of getting back their money-making functions again. They also view with no little satisfaction the easy chair criticism of the Government instead of the office-chair defense of it.

Practically all the members of President Wilson's Cabinet have completed their plans for after March 4. It was learned today.

WILL NOT GO

President Wilson will not lead the parade from Washington as Presidents have in former years. He will remain in Washington and devote his time to historical and economic writings.

Vice President Marshall said he has no definite plans other than to "seek some quiet spot and rest."

"For eight years," he once said, "I have been in the Cave of the Winds. I need a real rest."

Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby, the youngest member of the President's official family, will return to New York and resume his law practice.

Secretary of War Newton D. Baker will return to Cleveland and again take up the practice of law.

Secretary of Navy Josephus Daniels will go to his home in Raleigh, N. C., and there sit in the editor's easy chair of the Raleigh News and Observer, which he owns.

Secretary of Treasury David F. Houston wants to go back to the farm, but he is considering some alluring offers from financial institutions in New York and Chicago. Houston also has received an offer to associate himself with the Rockefeller Foundation, which he is considering.

Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer plans to return to his home in Stroudsburg, Pa., where he has business interests.

Secretary of Agriculture Edwin T. Merridell will go back to Des Moines, Iowa, to direct his agricultural papers and advertising business.

BURLESON WILL RETURN TO TEXAS.

Postmaster General A. S. Burleson will return to Texas where he has agricultural and other business interests. His friends expect to see him a candidate for Governor in 1922.

Secretary of Interior John Barton Payne plans to return to Chicago and his law practice, along with other interests there.

Secretary of Commerce J. W. Alexander plans to retire to his farming interests around Galatia, Mo.

Secretary of Labor W. B. Wilson has not completed his future plans, it was said at his office.

In addition, these hosts of officials of lesser rank have already made plans or are making business connections with a view to retirement March 4.

In the Congressional retirements probably the most notable is that of Champ Clark. He will go home to Bowling Green, Mo., and probably devote his future to lecturing and writing.

Of the "lame duck" brigade in the Senate, many are hopeful—hopeful that President Wilson will take care of them before March 4 or that President Harding will after March 4.

COUNTY CLERK BUSY IN 1920

Records of Office Show Large Volume of Business.

Declaring that 1920 was the biggest year as well as the busiest in the history of the county clerk's office, County Clerk Richard V. Sipe today was prepared to handle even more county business in 1921 than in the year which has just closed.

Mr. Sipe said a total of \$64,366.00 has been paid into the various county funds during the last year at quarterly settlements. The figure is not complete as it does not contain county court orders and similar court orders.

Last year in the Marion County Probate Court, over which Judge Mahlon Bush presides, there were 1,001 estates opened; 154 adoptions and eighty-eight civil cases, making the total 1,888 new cases or estates before the court.

There was a total of 1910 new cases filed in the Circuit Court, of which 1,830 were civil cases, seventy-five in relation to the State of Indiana and sixteen cases of other kinds.

In the five Superior Courts there were 345 new cases filed last year, which is not quite twice as many as were filed in the Circuit Court.

In the Juvenile Court, over which Judge Frank A. Collins presides, there was a total of 1,713 new cases filed and a total of \$60,963.33 collected for the support of children on orders of the court.

This is approximately \$12,000 more than was collected the year before," said Clerk Frank Brattin, "and is the best year in the history of the Juvenile Court."

In the Criminal Court, of which Judge James A. Collins is in charge, there were 1,000 new cases filed and a total of \$15,000 collected in judgments by Clerk Brattin.

Mrs. Housewife, Do You Know?

Note—Each of these household problems has been worked out by the author, has not only taken a course in cooking, with a diploma from Columbia University, and written and edited one newspaper and magazine feature for years, but is a practical housewife as well.

These are the most economical fast foods?

What is the best way to cut fudge caramel into squares?

Why is it a mistake to wrap fresh bread in cloths?

These questions will be answered to-day by the Housewife.

ANSWERS TO YESTERDAY'S QUESTIONS.

Cold soups differ from macaroni and cheese in having eggs added to the latter and water to the former. They are therefore in protein.

Boiling boiled meats the temperature should be 160° F. to keep the juices in. After boiling, the meat should be kept below 140° F. to keep the meat from becoming tough.

Hard wood is the best for stirring cooked beans, as it is convenient in the

Girls Reserve Club Room at Y. W. C. A.



A girls' club, recognized as a recreational organization primarily known in addition to offering industrial and educational advantages to girls, the Girls' Reserve Club of the Indianapolis Young Women's Christian Association, has grown until it is a large institution.

From an initial venture several years ago when the only material assets on hand consisted of the interest of a little group of girls, the club has become a large institution in the lives of hundreds of young girls.

Miss Beulah House is general supervisor of the club. She is assisted by Miss Eunice Darley, who organizes and supervises the girls from the grade schools.

While the club is known as one organized, it is really composed of three separate clubs with similar objectives.

The first division of the Girls' Reserve is known as the Younger Industrial Girls Club, to which only young girls who are employed are eligible. The club, which has more than 200 members, has forty different occupations represented in its membership. A meeting in the form of a dinner is held once a week in the dining room in the Y. W. C. A.

The second club is the High School Girls' Club which is also an organization of triple existence, each of the three high

schools having its own separate club, which meets one afternoon of each week.

Once a month a joint meeting is held. A council which holds a weekly meeting is elected by the members of each club.

The total membership of the three high school clubs is 1700.

The Girls' Reserve Club, which is composed of the girls in the seventh and eighth grades of the grade schools, constitutes the third section of the Girls' Reserve Club. The membership of this division, which is more than 400, is so large that the club has organized into a number of smaller groups, each of which has its own officers and alternating holding meetings. The meetings are held every Saturday afternoon, when such sports as skating, swimming, basketball and games are featured.

The presentation of a big play by each of the three clubs during the spring in Hollenbeck Hall for the purpose of raising money is the big work planned from the first of the year. In addition to this a number of smaller plays will be given and each section will hold parties.

Added interest to the Girls' Reserve has been afforded by the addition of a dinner club which meets in the dining room which was remodeled from a store room last fall. Furnished with comfortable rockers and decorated with pretty draperies the room affords a very pleasant

place to hold the meetings.

In addition to the sports participated in by the girls, an honor system is conducted in which division girls are given work for an honor point by doing a certain amount of work in any of such things as outdoor sports, domestic science, reading books or in taking citizenship work. When she has gained a specified number of honor points she is awarded a certificate. She continues to work, replacing one chevron by another of a higher order until she has accomplished the quota to be awarded a Girls' Reserve ring. At present there are only two girls in the city who have received this honor, the work being so difficult that it takes at least three years to complete it.

Charitable work is also included in the program of the club. At present there are sixty-five baskets were filled and distributed to needy families. Fifty dolls were dressed and given to the girls of the Cosmopolitan Settlement and the Flannelette Guild. Three families of the Mothers' Aid were provided with a Christmas. A party was given for the children of the day nursery and on Christmas eve a bally visited community Christmas trees and sang Christmas carols. During the campaign for the Armenian relief they canvassed and solicited for the Armenian children.

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CHARLES BROWN AND OTHERS FINED

Raid on Poker Game Results Court Action.

"My brother and I and our attorney failed to have Charles Brown, 1020 West Ray street, and seven other gamblers from being convicted and fined in City Court yesterday afternoon and Brown also received a sentence of ten days on the Indiana State Farm.

The poker game was in a basement of a residence at 416 North Meridian street, and the police say that a man whose name is unknown to the police and his attorney became famous during a political campaign was much interested in the game.

Brown, however, was convicted of being the keeper and Judge Walter Pritchard fined him \$10 and ten days on the Indiana State Farm. Brown's "followers" were fined \$5 and costs on the gaming charge and the charges of visiting were continued indefinitely.

Ron L. Loeffelholz and Patrelman John Stroh, who made the raid, captured \$37.50 and a deck of cards, which was used as evidence.

The "followers" were Albert Smith, \$10; South Harmon; John Smith, 2204 North New Jersey street; Harry W. Williams, Franklin, Ind.; Harry Cason, 227 East Michigan street; Charles Davis, 1100 West Eleventh street; Charles Whittier, Peoria, Ill., and Charles Smockey of 1235 Howard street.

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