

G. O. P. DEFEAT SAD BLOW TO JOB HOLDERS

Democrats, Taking Reins in House, Sweep Out Republicans.

By Script *ward* *Newspaper Alliance*
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Christmas holidays at the Capitol find approximately 120 men and women out of jobs, and twice that many more who know that during January they too will be added to the ranks of the unemployed.

Democrats are making a clean sweep of Republican employees of the house and replacing them with their partisans, brought for the most part from outside of Washington.

Those who are being turned out are presumed to have savings on which they can live for a time. Most of them have earned from \$1,000 to \$3,000 a year during the Republican administration.

Few Retained

From page boys to grizzled veterans of the public service, the ax is falling indiscriminately. Veterans of the Civil War who serve as door keepers under a special dispensation of life tenure are the only secure and unruled members of the house attaché list, numbering between 375 and 400 employees.

A few others, who have served the house so long that their politics is forgotten and their services are indispensable, are being kept, also, but the list of these is very short.

A few of the Democrats who have succeeded to responsible positions have been working at the Capitol as minority employees, during the Republican administration, and are not totally unacquainted with the duties they have assumed.

Keep Agreement

This is true of Joseph J. Sinnott, new doorman, who has been at the Capitol some forty years, through changing administrations. Finis Scott, new house postmaster, has held one of the nineteen positions the Democrats managed to retain through the Republican sway, and so has Kenneth Romney, new sergeant-at-arms.

Under a sort of reciprocity agreement, Democrats are retaining a few prominent Republican appointees on a new minority list. This includes William Tyler Page, former clerk of the house; J. G. Rodgers, former sergeant-at-arms; Bert W. Kennedy, former doorman; Frank W. Collier, who has been postmaster; M. L. Meletio, a deputy sergeant-at-arms, and James Griffin, special employee.

The house police force has been changed almost completely, and so have the house elevator operators. Where it has been necessary to train new employees before turning over responsible positions to them, old workers have been kept on the job until January.

SAFETY PLAY GIVEN BY DRAMATIC PUPILS

Part of Program Sponsored By Film Indorsers.

A safety play, prepared by Helen Frances Starr for Lieutenant Frank Owens of the safety board, was prepared by her dramatic art pupils at 1:30 today at Fountain Square theater as a part of the program for the potato and apple matinee, sponsored by the management and the Indiana Indorsers of Photoplays.

Plot of the play concerns a meeting of "our gang" to discuss compositions on "Safety," prepared for their school's safety program. Miss Starr's pupils take the part of children in the "Our Gang" comedies.

The play will be presented again Thursday at the Indianapolis Home for Aged Women and will be broadcast as a part of the safety program conducted by Lieutenant Owens at 3:45, Jan. 6.

PLAN MINSTREL SHOW

Kiwanis Past Presidents to Put on Program for Club.

Past presidents of the Indianapolis Kiwanis Club will present a minstrel show at a meeting Wednesday in the Riley room at the Claypool.

Members of the cast will be Herman C. Wolfe, Eli Schloss, Julian Wetzell, Walter B. Hardin, Mervin J. Hammel, Harry E. Yockey, Dwight S. Ritter, Carl S. Wagner, Walter T. White, Henry L. Dithmer, O. B. Iles, Edward E. Gates and John George.

MRS. GRACE BORTZ DIES

Succumbs at Hospital Following Illness of Five Months.

Mrs. Grace May Bortz, 26, of 313 East St. Clair street, died Monday at the Methodist hospital following an illness of five months.

Mrs. Bortz, who had lived in the city five years, is survived by the husband, Gerald G. Bortz, a son Gerald G. Jr., her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held at the Wadsworth funeral parlors, 1619 North Illinois street, Friday at 10 with burial in Crown Hill cemetery.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported to police as stolen belong to: Lewis Callerman, 1203 St. Paul street, Cicero, Ill.; 7400 W. 10th street, Virginia avenue, Willys-Knight sedan, 1933-142, from 1027 North Keystone avenue.

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