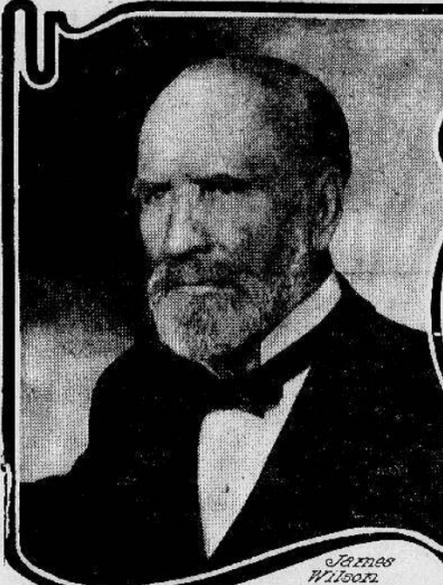


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PRESIDENT TAFT'S CABINET

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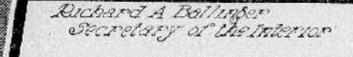
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George von L. Meyer, Secretary of the Navy



Charles Nagel, Secretary of Commerce and Labor



Richard A. Ballinger, Secretary of the Interior

THE Taft regime can scarcely be designated a "young man's administration" in the sense that the term was used during the Roosevelt tenure at the White House.

summe their new duties. With others—Wilson, Knox and Meyer—he was well acquainted through service in the Roosevelt cabinet.

Secretary of the Navy.

George von Lengerke Meyer, who was promoted from postmaster general under Roosevelt to be secretary of the navy under Taft, is one of the few men in the present cabinet who can lay claim to no legal training.

Seldom has a presidential cabinet disclosed the range of ages to be seen in the Taft official family. As has been said, the new postmaster general is but 42, and Secretary of the Navy Meyer, a hollower from the coteries of comparatively young men in the Roosevelt cabinet, is only 51.

Somewhat in contrast, too, to the preceding cabinet is the circumstance that most of President Taft's advisers were chosen because of their experience and attainments rather than because of personal relations.

below No. 2 tunnel, with stations every 100 feet. A carload of concentrates is now at the mill ready for shipment and sufficient ore is in the bins and chutes to make another carload as the result of the operations during the last few weeks.

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Dr. W. B. Pickrell and E. R. Ward have just returned from the Metairie mining district, reports that the shaft is down 40 feet and that the veins range from two and a half to four feet of high grade ore assaying 338 in gold, silver, lead and copper.

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the country, including President Roosevelt. When Judge Ballinger declined re-election as mayor, Roosevelt drafted him for service as commissioner of the general land office, a branch of the government service which just then afforded peculiar opportunities for Judge Ballinger's thorough conscientious handling of dry bones.

Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of the interior, is the representative of the Pacific slope in the new cabinet, and, like almost all the newcomers, he is a lawyer. Born in Iowa, he like Secretary Meyer, graduated from Harvard, and then, taking Horace Greely's advice, he sought "the land of opportunity" in the favored Pacific northwest he literally grew up with the country, and has ever been regarded as one of the leaders of the bar in the Puget sound country.

James Wilson, veteran of three administrations, is probably the most picturesque figure in the present cabinet, as he was in his predecessor. When William H. Taft nurtured an ambition to start fresh in the presidency with a brand-new cabinet he did not exactly expect to retain the present secretary of agriculture.

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The Royal Arch, (an organization of saloon men), gave me the double cross by fixing up with Pratt. They took 1,900 votes away from me.—J. T. Omo, republican nominee who was opposed by members of his own party.

A. L. Blomerauer, superintendent of the Republic district, north of Spokane, has started active development work. The property will be opened by an incline shaft, and as depth is reached, a drift will be extended on both sides of the shaft and the ore stopped and shipped.

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cluded that he could not do better than retain the man who might also be denominated the "father" of this branch of our government. Consequently Secretary Wilson when he retires will do so with a record of longer service in the presidential cabinet than any other man in the history of the nation.

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Borrow \$500,000 for the construction of new bridges. Borrow \$500,000 to pay off water extensions and build force mains.

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REPORT OVERDRAWN. Latakia, Asiatic Turkey, Friday, May 7.—It now appears that the destruction of Kessab was not so general as has been described.

Owen Sound, Ont., May 8.—Three hundred freight handlers on the Canadian Pacific railroad docks went on strike yesterday.

any famous legal cases, the new head of the department of commerce and labor remarked quietly that he had always prided himself in keeping his clients out of court.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor. Charles Nagel, the new secretary of commerce and labor, is a lawyer and graduate of Yale. It might be suspected that these qualifications alone might be almost sufficient to explain his presence in the Taft cabinet.

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