

NEW WILSON HOME MECCA FOR BUSES WITH SIGHTSEERS

Man With the Megaphone Breaks In on Seclusion of the Ex-President.

THROGS PASS HOUSE Former Head of Nation Not Yet Able to Taste Pleasures of Privacy.

FEW VISITORS ADMITTED First Time in Ten Years That He Has Been Free From Official Cares.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., March 5. Woodrow Wilson, trying to settle into the routine life of a private citizen, found it virtually impossible today to escape the curious crowds that made his new residence at 2340 S street almost as much of a Mecca as they did the White House, now thrown open to the public.

All the sightseeing buses—there are fleets of them in Washington—put the Wilson residence on their routes. Every five minutes a bus went past filled with inquisitive visitors. "To the left," cried the splendor through his megaphone, "is the residence of President Wilson—Mr. Wilson, I mean. He bought the house two months ago and moved there right after he left the White House yesterday."

At this all those in the buses strained their necks to see if they could get a glimpse of the man whose eight stormy years as President of the United States have come to a close. But Mr. Wilson remained indoors most of the day, away from the curious.

When buses were not passing the house, private automobiles were. Hundreds of persons passed the house on foot. They stood at the corner by the driveway, and when they passed, on finally, when they saw the situation.

Free From Secret Service Men. In the late afternoon Mr. Wilson went for an automobile ride through Rock Creek Park, but he did not return until well after 6 o'clock, when the sun was going down. He rode with Mrs. Wilson in a large limousine.

It developed that this formerly was one of the six White House automobiles purchased by Mr. Wilson just before he left office. It was a machine which he liked particularly. The official insignia, the great seal of the United States painted on both sides, he had covered with black, so that it seemed the same as any other automobile of similar type. There was a new chauffeur.

This was Mr. Wilson's first day as a private citizen in ten years, since he became Governor of New Jersey. Even before that he was much in the public eye as president of Princeton. Between the time he retired from the New Jersey governorship and the March 4 that he assumed the Presidency, an interval of two months, he was, in fact, a man with official responsibilities. As President-elect he was trained by secret service officers and weighed down, as President-elect always are, with important pre-inauguration conferences.

Guarded From Strangers. So it proved to be a novelty for Mr. Wilson to adjust himself to the role of private citizen. He remained in the most part close to his room. There were a number of callers, but Mr. Wilson saw only his most intimate friends, chiefly the higher officials, who wished to visit him before they returned to their homes in different parts of the country.

Members of the family said they hoped to keep Mr. Wilson from seeing strangers for a time. They wanted him to have a complete rest, away from official duties, with the expectation that he will make rapid strides toward recovery. Maybe later he will go to his rest at Dr. Grayson, who for the last eight years has been the White House physician, but who now is in charge of the Naval Dispensary in Washington, will continue to give medical attention to Mr. Wilson.

OFFER PRAYERS TO HARDING. Bible Society Managers Send Their Heartiest Greetings. The Board of Managers of the American Bible Society send you the heartiest greetings as you assume your new and heavy responsibilities. A telegram sent by that organization to President Harding yesterday reads in part: "It realizes that you have taken your oath of office upon the one book which the American Bible Society for more than a century has circulated throughout this great Republic, over whose destiny you are to preside."

DAVIS TAKES LEAVE OF BRITAIN'S KING Cordial Expressions Attend Farewell to Ambassador. LONDON, March 5.—John W. Davis, the retiring American Ambassador, took official leave of King George today. He and Mrs. Davis lunched with the King and Queen in Buckingham Palace, where final farewells were said.

AMNESTY LOBBY PLANNED. Socialists to Work in Washington for Political Prisoners. Boston, March 5.—A national campaign to gain the release of Eugene V. Debs and all other "political prisoners" is being organized in Washington. The opening of headquarters in Washington with an amnesty lobby on duty there, and a demonstration at the Capitol on April 12, the second anniversary of Debs' imprisonment, were announced by the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party today.

MRS. HARDING INSPECTS HOME AND ENTERTAINS RELATIVES

President's Wife Retains Former Cook for White House Chef—Debating Choice of Her Social Secretary—Harlan's Daughter Favored.

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LODGE REELECTED LEADER OF SENATE

Party Caucus Completes Organization—Cummins Is President Pro Tem.

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According to the usual custom Senator Lodge was authorized to name the members of the Committee on Order of Business, or more popularly termed the Steering Committee. It is expected that he will make his appointments to these committees on Monday, and probably he will follow the example of the conference today and name the present incumbents. There are two exceptions to this, on the Senate side, namely, Senator McCumber (N. D.), whose service ended yesterday and Senator Harding whose election created a vacancy. Here is the personnel of the present Steering Committee:

Senators McCumber (N. D.), chairman, and Senators La Follette (Wis.), Wade (N. Y.), Dennis (Mo.), Egan (Md.), Frelinghuysen (N. J.), Kellogg (Maine), McCormick (Ill.) and Lodge, ex-officio. The present personnel of the committees on committees follows: Senator Brandegee (Conn.), chairman, and Senators McNary (Ore.), Sterling (S. D.), Curtis (Kan.), Watson (Ind.), Calder (N. Y.) and Knox (Penn.). Democratic representation on all the House committees will be reduced in the new Congress, the Republican committee on committees decided today. A reappointment of party strength usually follows an election, particularly when there is a marked change in party representation. The ratio of party representation on the committees is similar to the ratio of members of the House. This year the Republicans will have a majority of nearly 20 in the House and the membership of the committees will follow this ratio. Only one exception was made, and that was in the case of the Ways and Means Committee, which will handle the all important revenue and tariff revision legislation. The Republicans allowed the Democrats to have eight members on the committee by a majority of 20. During the last Congress the committee was composed of fifteen Republicans and ten Democrats.

MYSTERY IN PETITION BEFORE CITY GUARDIANS

Police and Firemen Warned to Beware of Document.

Mystery attached to a petition which police and firemen were asked by their superiors to sign at many of the precinct stations and fire houses yesterday, the purport of which was to endorse a movement for a charter amendment "to safeguard our present salaries." The petition, which was signed by a "Notice to Patrolmen and Firemen." They recited that joint committees of the three uniformed departments—police, fire and street cleaning—were to be organized for the purpose of the establishment of a bill at Albany for the establishment of the present rate of pay as a minimum salary. That legislation would not conflict, it said, with any bills to increase salaries above the present figure.

INQUIRY MADE WHICH RESULTED IN STATEMENTS FROM PRESIDENT JOSEPH P. HENRY OF THE PATROLMEN'S ASSOCIATION, PRESIDENT ALBERT E. GUINNESS OF THE UNIFORMED FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, LIEUT. AYRES, PRESIDENT OF THE POLICE LEAGUE, AND SERGEANT JAMES J. HENRY OF THE POLICE ASSOCIATION THAT THEY KNEW NOTHING OF THE PETITION. PRESIDENT MORAN AND GUINNESS ADVISED THEIR MEMBERS THAT THERE WAS NO INTENTION OF A BILL AT ALBANY TO BEWARE OF THE PETITION. IT COULD NOT BE LEARNED BY WHAT AUTHORITY THE PETITION WAS CIRCULATED.

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The Foreign Relations Committee will meet early Monday morning, at which time it is expected it will consider the Colombian treaty, the first in the list of pending treaties to be acted upon. There are nine treaties before the Senate committee to be taken up during the special session and disposed of if possible. They are as follows: Proposed compensation of Colombia for the alleged loss suffered by the construction by that country of the Panama Canal. It involves a claim of \$25,000,000 made against the United States by the Colombian Government and allied questions regarding American rights in oil properties. This treaty has been before the Senate since June, 1914.

RUNNING GUN BATTLE FROM CHICAGO TAXIS

Six Cabs Fly Through Park in War Action.

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