

Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Huntington Wilson Entertain Party Informally At Luncheon Today at Her Sixteenth Street Residence; Given for Mrs. Laughton

Mrs. Taft's Sister, Who Is Visiting Her, Is Honor Guest.

Home of Assistant Secretary of State Scene of Notable Gathering.

The Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Huntington Wilson entertained a party informally at luncheon today in their home on Sixteenth street in compliance to Mrs. Laughton, sister of Mrs. Taft and a guest at the White House.

Gardner F. Williams will give one of his interesting talks on South Africa and the Diamond Mines, Thursday, afternoon, December 16, at 4:30 o'clock under the auspices of the Washington Branch of the Farmington Society for the benefit of the Farmington Visiting Nurse Fund. The talk will be beautifully illustrated with numerous stereoscopic views.

The list of patronesses include: Miss Margaret T. Johnson, Mrs. F. S. Mackenzie, Mrs. John McLeran, Mrs. John D. Milby, Mrs. Charles Nagel, Miss Frances N. Noyes, Mrs. Frances Bennett Poe, Miss Eleanor C. Ridgely, Mrs. W. Woodville Rockhill, Mrs. Alexander Rodgers, Mrs. Alfred E. Bates, Mrs. Charles Henry Butler, Mrs. Reuben B. Clark, Mrs. Albert Douglas, Mrs. John Dunlop, Mrs. H. C. Dunwoody, Mrs. John Henry Gibbons, Mrs. Edward C. Heald, Mrs. Richard C. Holliday, Miss Maud B. Hoyt, Mrs. Joseph P. Sanger, Mrs. Nathan Sargeant, Mrs. Charles Ashmead Schaeffer, Miss Isabel Sedgley, Mrs. Nathaniel S. Simpkins, Mrs. Nathaniel R. Usher, Mrs. John Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Boyd Watson, Mrs. Katherine Sinclair Weeks, Mrs. M. Gray Zalinski.

Seats Sell Fast For Mrs. Barney's Play.

The sale of boxes and seats for "The Man in the Moon," Mrs. Barney's play, which will be given at the Belasco Theater on Monday evening, December 20, is progressing. The box holders will be Mrs. Clarence Moore, Mrs. Edson Bradley, Mrs. Oliver Cromwell, Mrs. L. Z. Lister, Mrs. Nicholas Anderson, and Mr. McMillan.

Among those who have taken seats, and will entertain parties in the audience are Mrs. Pinchot, Mrs. Chaffard, Mrs. Earle, Mrs. Krosstad, Lloyd Magruder, W. B. Hibbs, John Barrett, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Corcoran Hill, Mrs. Elkins, Mrs. Wetmore, Robert Mann, Mrs. Julian James, Mrs. Robert Roosevelt, Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. McKim, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Gillespie, Miss Schenck, Mrs. Depew, Senora Quesada, Mrs. C. C. Glover, Mrs. C. H. Butler, Miss Sande, Mrs. Barbour, Mrs. McCartney, Mrs. Robert Shepard, Mrs. Simmons, Mrs. Hennen Jennings, Mrs. Fabnestock, Mrs. Payton Russell, and Gist Blair.

Many Notables Among the Buyers.

Commander Jewell, Prof. and Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Biddle, Mrs. Lady, Miss Minnock, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Talman, Mr. Early, Mrs. Cleves, Mrs. Shirley, J. C. Tuckerman, Miss Spight, Mrs. L. S. Smith, Mrs. Schmitt, Miss Cooke, Mrs. Richard Ely, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Herschel, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gaff, Mr. and Mrs. Murray A. Cobb, Mrs. Harriman, the British Ambassador and Mrs. Bryce, Mrs. Story, Rear Admiral and Mrs. VanKampen, Mrs. Haywood, Mrs. Robert Hinckley, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. L. B. Knott, Mrs. James C. Pilling, Mrs. L. L. Ayers, Mrs. J. F. Hammond, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Shields, Mrs. L. L. Boyce, Mrs. Tucker, E. L. Vessels, Miss Emma Tyler, and Dr. Sewell.



MRS. WICKERSHAM, Wife of Attorney General.

Mrs. George W. Wickersham Is Visiting in New York.

Wife of Attorney General Guest of Married Daughter.

Mrs. Wickersham, wife of the Attorney General, is spending several days in New York, the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Akin.

Dinner In Honor Of Baron and Baroness Rosen.

The Russian Ambassador and Baroness Rosen and their daughter, Baroness Elizabeth Rosen, were the guests in whose honor the French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand entertained a party at dinner last evening at the embassy.

The additional guests were Mr. Justice White, Mr. Justice Holmes, and Mrs. Brown, the Belgian Minister and Countess de Euisseret, the Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Huntington Wilson, the naval attaché of the Italian embassy, Lieutenant Camperio; the Naval Attaché of the Russian Embassy and Mme. de Vassiliev, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Minor, Mrs. Story, the counselor of the embassy, Count Peretti della Rocca, the Naval Attaché and Baroness Benoit d'Assy, and Mr. Taihand, third secretary of the embassy.

Informal Dance At Mercantile Club.

An informal dance was held in the parlors of the Mercantile Club last evening. The young ladies who attended were Miss Rena Solomon, Miss Leona Stern, Miss Natalie Mayer, Miss Leona Rehniger, Miss Elizabeth Farber, Miss Rhoda Manner, Miss Irene Hollander, Miss Daisy Marx, and Miss Camille Herman. The Messrs. Myer Loeb, Maury Simon, A. Mayer, Lawrence Gassenheimer, Bert Cohen, Leon Fretzfelder, Maurice Sinsheimer, Milton Strassburger, Philip Herman, A. Blumenthal, Mr. and

Mrs. Eugene Schwab, Mr. and Mrs. M. Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wallerstein, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Rosenthal, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Baumgarten.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Entertain Informally At Luncheon.

The Assistant Secretary of War and Mrs. Robert Shaw Oliver entertained a few friends informally at luncheon today to meet their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Choate, jr., who are their guests for a few days. This afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Oliver will receive a few friends informally at tea.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cohen, of Seattle, Wash., are the guests of the latter's father, Mr. Gustave Lansburgh, of Vermont avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Goolsby, of Richmond, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, May, to Maurice C. Pilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Pilson, of this city.

The wedding will take place on January 3, at the home of the bride. Mr. Pilson will bring his bride to Washington and they will make their home in the Dresden.

Misses Patten Entertain Mrs. Loughlin.

The Misses Patten entertained a party at dinner last evening in honor of Mrs. Laughton, a sister of Mrs. Taft and a house guest at the White House.

WILL TAKE APPEAL IN DIVORCE CASE

LERANON, Pa., Dec. 12.—Attorneys for Mrs. Helen A. Karmany, against whom Col. Lincoln Karmany, of the United States marine service, has secured a divorce, today, it is reported, began preparations for appealing from the decision to the State supreme court. Mrs. Karmany is a daughter of the late Josiah Funck, at one time a member of the Lebanon bar. Both Colonel and Mrs. Karmany are members of prominent families of New York State.

Mrs. Taft Makes Changes in Rules for White House Functions.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hollister Chapman Hosts at Dinner.

Under the personal direction of Mrs. Taft, the arrangements for the social season at the White House have practically been completed and the program shows a number of innovations which reflect the great interest and study which she has given to the subject.

While Mrs. Taft probably will not participate in any of the larger receptions or state functions, the details of these affairs will be carried out under her immediate supervision.

Mrs. Taft expects to appear for a time at least during the New Year reception. She will continue to receive by appointment two or three afternoons each week during the season, but it is felt that it would be too much of a tax upon her to be present during the long hours of all the state functions. Mrs. Taft has been a constant visitor to the Washington theaters of late.

Plans To Make Receptions More Significant.

The problem of the larger receptions, such as the diplomatic, the judicial, the Congressional, and the army and navy, with invitation lists in past years of 2,000 and more, presented to Mrs. Taft the greatest difficulty of the social program, and she set about to devise some means of making these receptions more significant, more distinctive and more of a personal honor to the guests of the evening and to those invited to meet them. To do this it has been found necessary

materially to reduce the invitation lists, not by the elimination of anyone in or out of official life who should be on the White House lists, but by shifting the invitations to one or the other of the receptions and not inviting the same guests to all of the receptions.

Only a few people in official life will be invited to more than one of the big receptions, and no one out of official life, it is said, will receive succeeding invitations.

Will Serve Refreshments This Year.

One of the principal reasons for limiting the numbers at the several receptions is the fact that during this Administration refreshments are to be served during the state receptions. This has not been done since President Hayes' Administration. The facilities for serving refreshments to so large a company at the White House are comparatively limited, of course, and the guests to be invited must be reckoned accordingly.

For the larger affairs this will mean a great undertaking, but Mrs. Taft personally has gone over the situation and it is believed that her efforts in this way will overcome the difficulties.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hollister Chapman were hosts at dinner last evening in compliment to John G. Foster, American consul general at Ottawa. The guests invited to meet Mr. Foster were Lieutenant Colonel and the Hon. Mrs. James, Senator duPont, Mrs. Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. Hennen Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. George McLanahan, and Mrs. Richard Harlow.

WON'T MARRY OLD MAIDS.

MEXICO, Mo., Dec. 12.—The Rev. G. W. Elliston, pastor of the Baptist Church at Martinsburg, this county, has issued an edict to the effect that he will not marry any one who has been divorced, old maids over thirty-five years of age, boys under twenty-one years old, and girls under sixteen years of age. The Rev. Elliston leaves out the word "obedient" in his marriage ceremony. He is regarded as the "marrying minister" of Martinsburg and enjoys a large patronage.

Young People Are Guests At Friendship Breakfast

Mr. and Mrs. John R. McLean entertained a large party of young people at breakfast today at "Friendship."

Among those who will attend the musicale which will be given by Miss Louise A. Williams, of Georgia, a daughter of a well-known Southern veteran, at the New Willard Hotel on Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, will be: The German ambassador and Countess von Bernstorff, the Secretary of War and Mrs. Dickinson, the Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Ballinger, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, Charles Nagel; the First Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Judge Pierce, and Mrs. Pierce, the First Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Beckman Winthrop, and Mrs. Winthrop; Senator and Mrs. G. S. Clay, of Georgia; Senator and Mrs. Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa; Senator and Mrs. Robert Taylor, of Tennessee; Senator and Mrs. T. H. Payne, of Kentucky; Senator W. J. Foster, of Louisiana; Senator and Mrs. Stephenson, of Wisconsin; Admiral and Mrs. Dewey, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Mason, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Schley, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Hemphill, Admiral and Mrs. Leutz, Admiral and Mrs. Robley D. Evans, Gen. Wotherspoon, Colonel and Mrs. Garard, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, Capt. and Mrs. Walter McLean, Capt. Garnhart, Mrs. Burton Harrison, Mrs. Merriam, and Mrs. Wesson.

Mrs. Fremont Entertains This Afternoon at Tea

Mrs. Fremont will entertain a party at an informal tea this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Her guests will include Mrs. William Barrett Ridgely, Mrs. Candace, the Misses Fremont, Hugh Gibson, the newly appointed secretary to the American embassy at London, Mr. Patten, Lieutenant Mannix, Mr. Manning and her son, Lieut. John C. Fremont.

Box Party Follows Walsh Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh entertained a party at dinner last evening to meet their house guests, former Governor of Ohio and Mrs. Herrick, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Hill, and Miss Katherine Symes, of Denver. The dinner was followed by a box party at the New National Theater.

Mr. and Mrs. Selwyn Taft received last evening in compliment to the Chinese diplomat and Mme. Wu, and their daughter-in-law, Mme. Wu Chao-chu. They were assisted in receiving their guests by their house guest, Mrs. E. J. Bartlett, of Montclair, N. J.; Mme. Yanes, Mrs. Charles Mallin, Miss Hannah Taylor, and Miss Fabnestock.

William Kelly announces the engagement of his sister, Katherine to Frank Marsden. The wedding will take place on January 1.

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