

Washington Celebrities

The Career of Philander Chase Knox, Who Will Be Taft's Secretary of State—His Family

New German Ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, Senator Carter's Popularity With Cartoonists

THE choice of Senator Philander Chase Knox as secretary of state in the cabinet of President-elect Taft is notable as an honor bestowed by a successful candidate for presidential honors upon



an unsuccessful rival. Senator Knox was an open and avowed candidate for the nomination which Judge Taft obtained, but his ambition did not result in creating any ill feeling between the two men. The Pennsylvania senator has rendered cabinet service before as attorney general in the second McKinley administration and during part of President Roosevelt's first term, and he did not seek the post of secretary of state, preferring, it is said, to hold his seat in the senate. But Judge Taft's strong feeling in the matter impelled him to accept the proffered post. In becoming head of the cabinet he will not only administer the foreign affairs of the government, but will be able to give the next president the benefit of his counsel in many matters pertaining to internal administration respecting which his knowledge of the law, the constitution and the legislative branch of the government will be valuable.

Senator Knox was born fifty-five years ago in the town of Brownsville,

children, a son of twenty and a daughter, Alexandra, who is seventeen. The count, who is forty-six years old, began his diplomatic career in 1880, when he was made attaché at Constantinople. From Turkey he was transferred to the German foreign office, after which he advanced from one grade to another, serving as a representative in many of the great capitals of Europe.

He was counselor of the German embassy and first secretary in London six years ago.

The count's work in creating good feeling between Great Britain and



COUNT JOHANN HEINRICH VON BERNSTORFF.

Germany brought him for the first time under the notice of the emperor, and after four years' service in a minor position in London he was transferred to Cairo as ambassador. This position is regarded in the German diplomatic service as a stepping stone to one of the greater ambassadorial portfolios, and his present appointment, therefore, did not cause much surprise in Berlin.

President-elect Taft's possible patronage will amount to more than 8,700 offices, including only those classed as "presidential." This army, composed solely of officials, equals the combined force of officers, clerks and other subordinates drawing government salaries under President Monroe. These "presidential" offices have more than doubled since Cleveland first entered the White House. Since then two new departments have been added, also many new bureaus and such great undertakings as the digging of the Panama canal and the administration of insular possessions.

Mr. Taft cannot independently appoint these officials. He merely can nominate them. Under the first article of the constitution senators are part of the appointing power, and an appointment to a "presidential" office under Mr. Taft will represent an agreement between him and the upper house of congress. Appointees of this class will not receive their commissions until "confirmed" by that body.

Senator Thomas H. Carter of Montana is a good subject for the cartoonist because of the long whiskers he sports, a possession the like of which is not often found nowadays in legislative halls at Washington. The sena-



THOMAS H. CARTER AND A CARICATURE OF HIM.

tor resembles a New England deacon of the type now famous in song and story. He has been a big gun in his party in days gone by and was chairman of its national committee when Benjamin Harrison ran for re-election as president.

How He Found Out.
"I never bet on a horse race."
"But this is a sure thing."
"It was betting on a sure thing that cured me."



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Pa. At nineteen he was graduated at Mount Union college, Alliance, O., and while at this institution formed the acquaintance with William McKinley which was to have such an important effect later on upon his career. He entered a bank after leaving college and there earned enough money to pursue study to fit him for practice at the bar. In 1880 he married Miss Lillie Smith, daughter of Andrew D. Smith, a pioneer iron manufacturer of Pittsburgh. For a short time he was an assistant United States district attorney, but about thirty years ago he entered a partnership for the practice of law and continued in these relations until Mr. McKinley invited him to head the department of justice in his cabinet in 1901.

Some most important suits against trusts and other big corporations were instituted in the following three years, notably that against the Northern Securities company, and Mr. Knox made a remarkable record in the conduct of these proceedings. He succeeded the late M. S. Quay in the senate in 1904 by appointment of Governor Pennypacker and was subsequently elected to that body by the Pennsylvania legislature for the term expiring in 1911. He has accumulated a fortune in the practice of law and has several beautiful homes, one being an estate of 300 acres at Valley Forge, Pa. The family spend as much of their time as possible at this country seat. Mrs. Knox is a woman of many accomplishments and social graces, and her daughter Rebekah, who married James R. Tindle of Pittsburgh four years ago, was quite popular before her marriage in Washington society. There are several sons in the family, and a recent arrival is a little grandson.

The new German ambassador to Washington, Count Johann Heinrich von Bernstorff, has an American wife. She was Miss Jeanne Luckemeyer and met the count while traveling in Europe in 1887. The couple have two

Annual Statement of Chouteau County, Mont.

For the Fiscal Year ending November 30, 1908

Office of the County Clerk, Chouteau county, Montana, Fort Benton, Montana, January 4, 1909.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners: GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to the requirements of Section 4294 of the Political Code of Montana, I herewith submit the annual financial statement of Chouteau county for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1908:

STATE	
General Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$29,199 89
Receipts from taxes.....	31,591 54
Receipts from licenses.....	10,423 69
	\$70,885 12
Amount remitted state.....	\$40,086 25
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$30,798 87

Stock Indemnity Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 27
Receipts from taxes.....	35
	\$ 62
Amount remitted state.....	\$ 61
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$ 61

Stock Inspection and Detective Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 21
Receipts from taxes.....	2 20
	\$ 23
Amount remitted state.....	\$ 14
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$ 9

Stock Bounty	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 71 46
Receipts from taxes.....	6 96
Receipts from licenses.....	1,158 18
	\$1,236 60
Amount remitted state.....	\$1,134 91
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$91 69

Fish and Game Warden	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 33
Receipts from taxes.....	32
	\$ 65
Amount remitted state.....	\$ 61
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$ 4

COUNTY	
General Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$23,790 03
Receipts from taxes.....	43,111 74
Receipts from licenses.....	7,075 45
Receipts from penalties.....	455 32
Receipts from publications.....	191 34
Receipts from miscellaneous.....	1,456 97
Borrowed from road fund.....	6,000 00
Borrowed from contingent fund.....	3,500 00
Transferred from sinking fund.....	4,853 02
	\$93,038 77
Warrants paid.....	\$43,898 62
Interest paid.....	34 28
Loaned to poor fund.....	6,000 00
Balance on hand Dec. 1, 1908.....	43,115 87

Contingent Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$33,029 43
Receipts from taxes.....	24,834 17
Receipts from licenses.....	3,125 14
Receipts from miscellaneous.....	5,896 80
	\$66,885 54
Warrants paid.....	\$39,614 82
Loaned to poor fund.....	1,000 00
Loaned to general fund.....	3,400 00
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$23,870 72

Bridge Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$11,645 33
Transferred from road fund.....	14,412 10
	\$26,057 43
Warrants paid.....	\$18,430 33
Interest paid.....	51 11
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	7,576 99

Poor Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 9,061 52
Receipts from taxes.....	6,205 98
Receipts from special poor tax.....	7,371 00
Borrowed from general fund.....	6,000 00
Borrowed from contingent fund.....	1,000 00
	\$30,238 50
Warrants paid.....	\$30,207 40
Interest paid.....	4,828 02
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$1,003 08

Road Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$20,669 54
Receipts from taxes.....	37,125 92
Receipts from special road tax.....	981 00
Receipts from miscellaneous.....	60 33
	\$58,836 79
Warrants paid.....	\$4,923 13
Interest paid.....	20 35
Loaned to general fund.....	6,000 00
Loaned to bridge fund.....	2,400 00
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$44,493 71

Bond Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$56,129 83
Receipts from taxes.....	12,467 18
Receipts from licenses.....	781 29
Transferred from district school fund.....	210 00
	\$69,588 30
Paid coupons.....	\$12,233 84
Transferred to bond fund.....	4,828 02
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$52,496 44

SCHOOLS	
General School Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 47,945 00
Receipts from taxes.....	49,048 30
Receipts from miscellaneous.....	5,181 14
	\$102,174 44
Appropriated to districts.....	\$ 47,328 72
Transferred to districts.....	8,255 20
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$49,590 52

School District Fund	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 41,348 67
Receipts from taxes.....	32,148 69
Receipts from miscellaneous.....	12,971 97
Receipts from special improve.....	58,183 92
	\$144,653 25
Warrants paid.....	\$ 89,937 47
Transferred to bond fund.....	210 00
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$54,505 78

TOWNS	
Town of Fort Benton	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 5,127 37
Receipts from taxes.....	3,834 05
	\$8,961 42
Paid town treasurer.....	\$ 5,128 12
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$3,833 30

Town of Havre	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$21,094 17
Receipts from taxes.....	10,575 39
Receipts from special improvement.....	13,288 96
	\$45,158 52
Paid town treasurer.....	\$24,495 74
Paid special improvement.....	288 20
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$20,374 58

Town of Chinook	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$1,002 71
Receipts from taxes.....	3,992 86
	\$4,995 57
Paid town treasurer.....	\$1,146 78
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$3,848 79

ESTATES	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$1,254 55
	\$1,254 55
Balance Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$1,254 55

COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$1,451 55
	\$1,451 55
Amount refunded.....	\$1,451 55
	\$1,451 55

RECAPITULATION OF FINANCES	
Balance Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$306,856 38
Receipts from taxes.....	285,130 83
Receipts from penalties.....	455 32
Receipts from publications.....	191 34
Receipts from licenses.....	23,892 75
Receipts from officers' fees.....	4,852 90
Receipts from state.....	8,133 30
Receipts from poor taxes.....	7,371 00
Receipts from Havre special improve.....	13,368 96
Receipts from interest on public funds.....	1,360 00
Receipts from special road tax.....	981 00
Receipts from miscellaneous.....	1,891 12
	\$683,098 40
Paid state fund.....	\$ 40,086 25
Paid stock indemnity fund.....	5 14
Paid stock inspection and detect. fund.....	61
Paid state bounty fund.....	1,134 91
Paid fish and game warden fund.....	61
Paid general fund.....	43,929 90
Paid contingent fund.....	29,614 82
Paid poor fund.....	30,338 24
Paid bond fund.....	18,481 44
Paid road fund.....	24,943 08
Paid bond fund.....	12,233 84
Paid school district fund.....	89,937 47
Paid town of Fort Benton.....	5,138 12
Paid town of Havre.....	21,321 12
Paid town of Chinook.....	4,146 78
Paid Havre special improvement tax.....	482 92
Paid high school balance.....	1,451 55
Balance on hand.....	\$340,003 00
	\$683,098 40

CASH BALANCES	
State Funds—	
General state fund.....	\$30,568 87
Stock indemnity fund.....	61
Stock inspection and detective fund.....	61
Stock bounty fund.....	101 69
Fish and game warden fund.....	64
	\$ 30,700 68
County Funds—	
General fund.....	\$48,115 87
Contingent fund.....	22,160 73
Poor fund.....	10,260 26
Bridge fund.....	7,975 99
Road fund.....	34,483 71
Bond fund.....	22,496 46
	\$170,573 01
School Funds—	
General school fund.....	\$49,540 50
District school fund.....	55,905 78
	\$105,446 28
Town Funds—	
Town of Fort Benton.....	\$ 5,823 90
Town of Havre.....	10,448 35
Town of Chinook.....	3,518 79
	\$19,791 04
Estate Fund—	
	\$ 1,250 55
Havre Special Improvement Fund—	
	\$ 12,936 04
	\$340,003 00

WARRANTS	
General Fund	
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 124 85
Warrants drawn during year.....	44,322 89
	\$44,447 74
Warrants paid during year.....	\$44,922 90
Warrants cancelled by limitation.....	83 00
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	442 84
	\$44,448 74
Contingent Fund	
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 125 00
Warrants drawn during year.....	29,977 82
	\$30,122 82
Warrants paid during year.....	\$30,122 82
	\$30,122 82
Poor Fund	
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 51 00
Warrants drawn during year.....	30,578 78
	\$30,629 78
Warrants paid during year.....	\$30,208 24
Warrants cancelled by limitation.....	48 00
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	203 54
	\$30,459 78
Bridge Fund	
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 2,100 13
Warrants drawn during year.....	16,750 56
	\$18,850 69
Warrants paid during year.....	\$18,430 33
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	420 34
	\$18,850 67
Road Fund	
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$ 387 00
Warrants drawn during year.....	36,159 44
	\$36,546 44
Warrants paid during year.....	\$34,948 08
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	1,608 36
	\$36,546 44

BOND STATEMENT	
Bonds outstanding Dec. 1, 1907.....	\$300,000 00
Bonds outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$300,000 00

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS	
Warrants outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	\$ 2,675 08
Bonds outstanding Dec. 1, 1908.....	300,000 00
Accrued interest on same.....	5,000 00
	\$307,675 08
Cash in county funds.....	\$170,373 01
Balance net indebtedness.....	\$137,302 07
Net indebtedness December 1, 1907.....	\$52,492 26
Net indebtedness December 1, 1908.....	\$84,809 81
Decrease net indebtedness.....	\$32,316 95

Assessment Roll—	
Amount of property assessed for 1908:	
Personal property.....	\$ 4,234,693 00
Real property.....	200,000 00
Railroad property (assessed by state board).....	4,846,008 00
	\$12,080,693 00

Rate of Taxation for 1908	
State.....	2 1/2 Mills
County.....	3 1/4 "
General fund.....	3 1/4 "
Contingent fund.....	3 "
Poor fund.....	3 1/2 "
Road fund.....	3 "
Bridge fund.....	1 "
Bond fund.....	1 "
General school fund.....	4 "
	17 1/2 Mills

List of County Property	
State.....	\$ 45,000 00
County.....	5,000 00
County jail, Fort Benton.....	8,000 00
County jail,	