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ASSISTANT SECRETARY

George S. Messersmith

CARR TRANSFERRED IN HULL 'SHAKE-UP'

'Father' of Foreign Service Is
Replaced as Administrative
Chief of State Department

TO GO TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

His Service Covers 45 Years—
Messersmith Succeeds Him
as Assistant Secretary

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
WASHINGTON, July 2.—Wilbur J. Carr, the veteran administrative chief of the State Department, who is often referred to as the "father" of the Foreign Service, was replaced today as Assistant Secretary of State and appointed Minister to Czechoslovakia, a post left open by the designation of J. Butler Wright as Ambassador to Cuba.

Mr. Carr's duties will be taken over by George S. Messersmith, Minister to Austria, a career diplomat of wide experience, who was appointed Assistant Secretary of State.

Purely from the standpoint of the State Department, the change constituted one of the biggest shake-ups in years. On the other hand, it assures the services of a tried official with just the right qualifications in one of the danger spots of Europe, his colleagues said.

Notwithstanding this point of view, which was everywhere shared, and even in the face of an assertion by Secretary Hull that the change was without significance and was mutually agreeable, the transfer of Mr. Carr to the field for the first time in his forty-five years of State Department service was regarded by many as a mode of exit for a long official career.

Statement Is Made by Hull

It was understood that, if he were to go into the foreign field for the first time and at the age of 66, Mr. Carr preferred the Prague post. "Mr. Carr, during his more than forty years of devoted service in the Department of State," Secretary Hull said, "has proved himself to be one of the very ablest and most capable assistant secretaries in the history of the department. The time has now come when Mr. Carr desires to take a mission in the field. Prague is today one of our most vital listening posts and his assignment there was mutually agreeable to all concerned. I can only extend to him my heartfelt good wishes and my sincere hope that he may be increasingly happy and successful in his new duties.

"Mr. Messersmith will take over the principal duties and functions now performed by Mr. Carr. He has had considerable and varied experience in personnel and administrative matters and is eminently practical and broadgauge in every way. I consider him as the most capable person in the service who is available for such an assignment."

Worked Up From the Ranks

No comment was obtainable from Mr. Carr, as he is in a hospital for a minor operation.

Working his way up from the ranks, Mr. Carr for years has been in charge of administrative activities in the State Department and for thirty-five years has been in charge of the consular service.

Mr. Messersmith, after spending several years in educational work, entered the consular service in 1914, subsequently being appointed a diplomatic secretary. He served at Curacao, Antwerp, Buenos Aires and Berlin, and was appointed Minister to Austria in 1934.

The two appointments were made in the course of a reorganization of the State Department and Foreign Service that Secretary Hull has been conducting for several weeks.

The changes have practically been completed in major aspects, Mr. Hull said today. They have included the appointment of an Under-Secretary, a counselor, and of two assistant secretaries; transfers of several Ambassadors and Ministers to new posts, and the regrouping of geographical divisions within the department.

Mr. Hull denied that politics had entered into the transfer of Mr. Carr when questions on that point were asked him at a press conference.

Demarest Lloyd Left \$2,827,071

WASHINGTON, July 2 (AP).—Demarest Lloyd, late civic leader and former newspaper correspondent, left most of his \$2,827,071 estate in trust for his former wife and three children. His will, filed for probate late yesterday, named his recently divorced wife, Katherine N. Lloyd, and Edward K. McClennen of Boston, as executors and trustees.