

Friday, February 10, 1928.

Report of the Newspaper Conference.

I am planning to go over to Alexandria on Washington's birthday. The Governor of Virginia is having a reception for Mrs. Coolidge and me. On the advice of people in Alexandria especially, I am going down on the Mayflower. I am inviting the two Senators from Virginia and their wives, Representative Moore, whose district I am visiting, and Mr. Slemp, whose province is all of Virginia.

Mr. Sanders: And former Representative Carlin.

President: Yes.

I think it has already been announced that I appointed Colonel Latrobe to be my Aide. He is a Baltimore man, who, as I understand, went down to Cuba and helped the Cubans in their contest with Spain before we went into the war and after that was in the service. I ran across him when I was out to South Dakota. Some of you probably remember seeing the detachment of cavalry go through Rapid City that he was taking from Fort D. A. Russell near Cheyenne to Fort Meade. I liked his appearance so much that I asked him to come on to Washington, and when he came here Colonel Winship seemed to be the most available man to go to the Philippines with Colonel Stimson, and so I am making that change.

Mrs. Coolidge has been confined to her room for two or three days. She has had a pain in her side, but a careful examination doesn't reveal any functional difficulty and no bacteria. The Doctor thinks it is a local irritation caused by cold, perhaps, and what she needs to do is to stay in her room and rest up a little.