

HAD A GRAND FEAST

Closing Scene of the Great Convention.

THE TOASTS AND RESPONSES

That Were Made, While Roses and Wines Mingled Their Fragrance in the Great Banqueting Hall.

All the wonders and glories of the Arabian Nights sink into the commonplace when compared with the glitter and glow of the banquet hall last night. There were seats for 1,000, and for these 10,000 roses blossomed, cast their fragrance and died. Their blushes were not unseemly, their sweetness was not wasted on a desert sea, but rose in grateful income to an appreciative multitude. Myriads of frail stemmed Marguerites brightened the long stretches of tables at uniform intervals, and from end to end a delicate tracery of ferns was laid upon the snowy cloth, with here and there a bright blue spike of looker-up blossoms. At each place was laid a red carnation, carrying out in symbol the national colors that draped the walls. High effects were attained by the tasteful disposal of numbers of tall potted plants, palms, pines, rubber plants and hydrangeas in full blossom. Candelabra, shaded with yellow, were also placed upon the tables.

Four immensely long tables stretched from one end of the long building to the other. The two inner tables were broken near the center to make room for a circular electric table at which were seated the officers of the association and the speakers of the occasion. In the center of the round table a fountain bubbled and the electric lights within it changed color constantly. Over the glass canopy that covered it sprays of amaranth and yellow roses crept and climbed. In a circular form around it were heaped billows of grass green silk overlaid with flowers; and beyond the green silk masses of pink silk were heaped with fine cloth, the folds of which nearly hid from view rows of fancy lamps which glowed and glowed with varying colors.

Carpeted With Flowers. The entire expanse of linen beyond the silk was carpeted with flowers of every hue and color. Sweet peas nodded a welcome and morning glories developed a gaily permissible only in the maiden bloom. Lilies contrasted their waxy whiteness with the vivid red of roses and masses of amaranth curled graceful shapes around, and about the china and crystal dishes. It was the combined triumph of nature and art, beauty and good taste. The square pillars that supported the ceiling were each enfolded with the nation's flag. Along the angle formed by the side walls and ceiling were draped at intervals small flags, the red, white and blue contrasting vividly with the white walls. Evergreens were used in profusion. The branches surmounted the pillars Corinthian fashion and clustered over the windows. At the west end of the long room a square space was sharply marked off by a hedge of tropical plants. There were luxuriant palms, graceful ferns and tall pines. Contrasting with the green of these was the drab of the rubber plant. At each corner electric lights lightened the foliage. Upon the walls to the rear were draped large flags, and the national colors were in smaller almost everywhere. Within the enclosure Wurtzburg's band discoursed the sweetest music, and over all glowed steadily the blaze of a thousand electric lights driving darkness from every corner of the banquet hall. The decorations, the music, the light, were suited to the occasion, and the brilliancy of the first banquet given to the National Retail Furniture dealers' cannot easily be eclipsed.

ROUND THE BOARD.

Nearly a Thousand Feast on the Goodly Things.

Eight hundred and fifty persons marched into the banquet hall at 8:30 to the enlivening strains of Wurtzburg's band, which was located in the west end of the hall behind a bank of palms and other pretty tropical plants. After prayer had been offered by the Rev. Dr. Fair the company was seated around the board. The band struck up the popular and catchy "Ta-ra-ra Boom-de-ay," and the hall rang with the chorus as the banqueters joined the band. The band was compelled to repeat the selection three times. After the following menu was served by eighty-five colored waiters under the direction of Warren Sweetland, toasts were nappily and wittily responded to, Edwin F. Sweet acting as toastmaster, with an appropriate introduction.

"Our Toasts" For I, who hold sage Homer's part the wine, Without the coming, speed the routing. -Pope. Response by the Hon. E. W. Butterfield, Grand Rapids, Mich. "The Relation of the Retailer to the Manufacturer" Who breaketh his credit, or cracker is eaten, Trust not with surety, if ye be wain; Or if he be surety for ye, lead not surety, to him afterward, lead not surety. -Homer. Response by J. Chauvin, Butte City, Mont.

"Greatest of Men" "The greatest things in heaven and earth, Herein, than are dreamt of in your philosophy." -Hamlet I. Response by A. C. Moses, Washington, D. C. "Resolution" "Be not wise as ye seem to be." -James I. Response by Lemus B. Leonard, Cleveland, O.

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The Entertainment Plan "The banquet will pay you some, and most certainly do, as you will find in the following list of responses." Response by W. K. Keesh, Pittsburgh, Pa. "The Pacific Northwest" Columbia, California, to glory arise. The queen of the world, and the chief of the sales. Response by W. G. Holmes, Tacoma, Wash. Music. "Grand Rapids: Its Past, Present and Future" "Not in mortal to command success. But we'll do more, Sempronius, we'll do more." Response by Charles A. Brockway, New York City. "The Problem" The noble gather round the man of news And listen with their souls wide open. Some see some hear, some look of news, some make it. Answered by the Hon. At. S. White, Grand Rapids, Mich. Music. "Our Program" "What do you think of the banquet?" "Our review is not ended, these our actors All forego the banquet." Response by M. Shaaban, Grand Rapids, Mich. "Little Neck Clams" Caviar. "Soft Shell Crabs" Stuffed Olives. "Spring Chickens" French Parsnips. "Philadelphia Squash" Chestnuts. "Langostinos" Potatoes. "Frogs Assa" Tip. "Red Bachelors" Baked Fruit Cream. "Angus' Food." "Requiescat Quies" Baked Crackers. Coffee. "Sherry Burgundy" Sauternes. Pauch. "YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS." The Furniture Men Complete the Work of Organization.

It was nearly 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning when the retail furniture dealers were called to order by President Chauvin in Company B armory for the second day's session of the first annual convention. The reading of the minutes of the preceding session was dispensed with. The committee on constitution and bylaws presented the following articles through the secretary, L. L. Clark of Minneapolis:

Preamble. Believing that all matters of general interest to any class of citizens may be better promoted by organized effort, and in recognition of the fact that these are matters of very great importance to the furniture trade in this country demanding immediate attention, we, the retail furniture dealers, have this day organized ourselves into an association, and we adopt the following articles as our guide:

Article I—This organization shall be known as the National Retail Furniture Dealers' association of the United States.

Article II—Membership in this association may be admitted by any retail furniture dealer in this country by signing these articles of agreement and paying an initiation fee of \$1.

Article III—Semi-annual meetings may be held subject to the call of the secretary.

Article IV—The officers of this association shall consist of a president, vice president, a second vice president, a secretary and treasurer and an executive committee. The duties of such officers shall be those that usually belong to officers of similar bodies.

Article V—Its officers shall be elected by ballot and they shall serve for a term of one year.

Article VI—This constitution may be amended at any annual or semi-annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of all present.

Bylaws. Matters of general interest and personal and special grievances suffered by members from whatever source they may arise are to be submitted to the executive committee. If it is unable to adjust the difficulty he is to report the same to the executive committee. This latter committee failing to settle the trouble satisfactorily, the matter is to be brought before the association.

The annual dues shall be \$1 to be paid in advance by each member.

The report was adopted unanimously with an amendment to the effect that the secretary be authorized to call semi-annual meetings when empowered so to do by the executive committee. The committee on resolutions presented the following resolutions and recommendations.

Whereas, The retail dealers have cause to complain of excessive freight charges and discrimination in freight rates, and are sustaining great losses from breakages caused by careless packing and handling, and having no recourse on shippers or railroad companies; and

Whereas, The trade of the retail dealer is being constantly trespassed upon by the manufacturers selling at retail; and

Whereas, Much, and often disagreeable, correspondence is caused by the irregularity of manufacturers charging for burlap and packing; your committee most respectfully suggest that this association take steps to abolish and correct the evils embodied in this report; therefore be it

Resolved, That this association request the co-operation of all furniture manufacturers and other furniture associations in the United States to join with us in an appeal to the various railroad companies, asking for a revision of the present freight rates on furniture. Be it further

Resolved, That inasmuch as many dealers cannot consistently purchase car lots from each manufacturer, your committee recommend that the manufacturers extend the courtesy of notifying each other and fix a date for loading together. And be it further

Resolved, That the manufacturers hereafter quote prices on all goods, packed. This resolution to take effect from and after January 1, 1923.

Resolved, That a great evil exists by virtue of the known fact that manufacturers, who are dependent upon the retailer for the consumption of their products, enter into competition with the same by selling goods at retail to the consumer. Be it further

Resolved, That when it comes under the notice of a member of this association, that a manufacturer has sold goods to a consumer, that he or they report the same to the secretary of this association, and that a record of the same be kept, and the secretary notify each member of such retail sale by the manufacturer. Be it further

Consolidate the Conventions. Resolved, That all furniture dealers of the cities and towns of the United States be requested to form local organizations for the purpose of furthering the interests of the association. Be it further

Resolved, That the executive committee of this association communicate with the conventions now in session in the cities of New York and Cincinnati with a view of forming a national organization, and we recommend a general convention of all retail dealers to be held on the third Tuesday in Janu-

ary, 1923, the place of meeting to be designated by the executive committee of the several conventions. Be it further

Resolved, That the thanks of this convention are due and are hereby tendered to the furniture manufacturers, the press, and to the citizens of Grand Rapids, for the kind and hospitable attention, and many courtesies shown during our visit to this city. Respectfully submitted.

MARTIN EMERICK, THOMAS F. FRANKS, JOHN F. OMER.

Adopted the Report. The report was adopted amid much applause. It was decided that the committee on resolutions should act as the executive committee for the ensuing year. The chairman of the committee on resolutions proposed that a telegram of greeting be sent to the two conventions of retail furniture dealers now in session at New York and Cincinnati. The telegram read as follows: To the Retail Furniture dealers' association, in convention assembled, Central Music Hall, Cincinnati, O.

The Retail Furniture association in convention assembled extend fraternal greetings and hearty congratulations in the good work now begun. May your efforts be crowned with success. MARTIN EMERICK.

It was unanimously voted to send the same.

For General Secretary. Chairman Emerick of the newly appointed executive committee suggested that the committee be empowered to act with the New York and Cincinnati conventions relative to the election of a salaried general secretary for all three associations. It was decided to do this and the committee will confer with the executive committees with this purpose in view. It was moved that the minutes of the last meeting and all embodied therein be read and approved. Adopted. The constitution and bylaws were read a second time.

At this point the question as to how many should be read or sung came up and Mr. Leonard created a sensation by suggesting that two-thirds of all those present constitute a quorum. Many numbers having come in late, it was moved that the constitution and bylaws be reconsidered. The motion was lost. An amendment was added to the effect that the secretary should give every member of the association twenty days' notice before the calling of a meeting. The convention then adjourned for the day subject to call.

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DETROIT, Baptist Young People's Convention, July 13-14 return July 15—\$3.00. Limit will be extended to August 15 if desired. Geo. DeBAVER, Gen'l Pas. Ag't.

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In the Detroit Free Press June 7, sixth page, under the head of "Distinguished Doctors," we see the names of the members of The American (Alopathic) Medical Association, who are meeting in that city, and the specialties in which they are engaged, and also the pictures of 25 of those who can afford it. If this is their advertisement, and we think it is, we wish to congratulate the principal physicians among the Alopaths for their success as advertising physicians, and we feel sorrow for the common herd of Alopathic physicians who do not DARE to advertise. What does this meeting amount to, anyway? Is it anything more than a mutual admiration society and a free advertising scheme for its members? Will the rest of the Alopathic physicians call them "quacks" after this? We hope not, as the members of the American Medical Association have as much right to advertise as Dr. S. CLAY TODD, and we wish to congratulate them on their success as Advertising Physicians.



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