CITIZENS SOCIETIES FORM CENTRAL BODY

Seventeen Out of Twenty-Two Associations Represented.

MEETING A SUCCESS, ASSERT DELEGATES

Committees at Work on Plan of Organization and Name.

NAMED TO DRAFT THE CONSTITUTION

J. G. McGrath, Park View, chairman.
C. C. Lancaster, Northwest Suburban.
W. H. Richardson, Benning.
William A. Cromwell, Petworth.
Glenn Brown, Washington Association of Fine Arts.

After a long fight, which had its inception in the Chamber of Commerce last fall through a resolution introduced by William E. Shannon, the citizens' associations of the District of Columbia have at last provided for the creation of a central body through which to express their views on public matters.

With absolute unanimity characterizing their deliberations, delegates representing seventeen of the largest and most influential associations of the District last night took final steps looking toward the organization of the proposed union.

The meeting is said to have been the greatest stride that has yet been taken toward a local democratic form of government and its results, many assert, will undeniably prove it to have been one of the most important meetings ever participated in by citizens of the District.

In two weeks the exact status of the union, its purpose, and scope of operation probably will have been determined. By that time, it is expected, its constitution will have been adopted, and all matters pertaining to its government settled.

Name Is Suggested.

A committee, headed by J. G. McGrath, of the Park View Association, has been elected and will meet Friday to draw up a report on organization.

This report will be submitted to the delegates for adoption at a general meeting which has been called for Saturday, April 30.

In all probability, the name of the new organization will be the Citizens' Central Council.

That the movement of the citizens' associations to organize a central body was destined to be a success was evidenced before last night's meeting was called to order in the Chamber of Commerce, when practically all of the delegates selected to attend arrived early.

When E. H. Daniel, chairman of the committee of fifteen of the Chamber of Commerce, whose report favoring the creation of the proposed body was turned down by the Chamber at its last meeting, rapped for order, he faced a much larger assemblage than the most sanguine supporters of the movement had expected would be present.

Seventeen Associations Present.

The registration of the delegates showed that seventeen associations were represented. Inasmuch as there are said to be but twenty-two active associations in the District, it was made evident at the outset that the majority of them were in sympathy with the amalgamation project.

Mr. Daniel stated briefly the attitude of the Chamber regarding the movement. Upon concluding he was made chairman pro tem through a motion put by Allen Davis, representing the Southeast Washington Association.

Before entertaining a motion for a temporary chairman, Mr. Daniel recognized William E. Shannon, a member of the committee of fifteen, and author of the plan to create a representative body of the associations.

Mr. Shannon's speech paved the way for a number which followed, all of them indicating that the views of the delegates unanimously favored the organization of the central body.

Discussion General.

When Mr. Shannon had finished, William McK. Clayton, of the Brightwood Park association, was chosen temporary chairman, and James W. Dyer, of Takoma Park, secretary. Both elections were unanimous.

From then on, the discussion of the various questions presented was general, and but few delegates failed to participate in it. When there was danger of a conflict of views, makers of motions which met with any considerable opposition, withdrew them in order to preserve harmony. This made possible the expediting of business, and resulted in the meeting being both successful and enthusiastic.

The problem of whether the new body should be composed of delegates of citizens' associations only, or of all organized bodies in the District which desired to affiliate with it was injected into the proceedings, and was finally disposed of through a decision to leave the matter to the committee which will report on organization.

Name Left to Committee.

J. G. McGrath suggested that the delegates name the body the Citizens' Central Council, and made a motion to that effect.

W. H. Price, of the Congress Heights' Association, opposed the suggestion. He said that the new organization should be a representative one of citizens associations only. He moved that its name be the Central Committee of the Citizens' Associations of the District of Columbia.

It remained for James M. Wood, of the East End Suburban Association, to get through a motion to the effect that both names, and any others that might be suggested, be left to the committee on organization to decide upon.

From all indications the name proposed by Mr. McGrath stands the better show of being selected. Mr. McGrath was elected chairman of the committee on organization, and as such will make an active fight for the adoption of the name he has proposed.

In addition to this, Glenn Brown, representing the Washington Association of Fine Arts, was elected to the organization committee. He, also, it may be stated, will urge that the name proposed by Mr. McGrath be chosen.

Membership Four Hundred.

Mr. Brown will point out that the association he represents has a membership of practically 400. He will contend that all the organized bodies of the city should be represented in the central body in order that it may be a body which will express a concentrated opinion of the citizens of the District on all matters affecting their public welfare.

Should the committee decide to recommend a general representation instead of a territorial one, it practically is certain that it will adopt the name, the Citizens' Central Union.

The committee on organization, besides Chairman McGrath and Mr. Brown, consists of C. C. Lancaster, representing Northwest Suburban; W. H. Richardson, Benning, and William A. Cromwell, Petworth.

There was no little applause when William E. Shannon stepped forward to address the meeting, and that which followed, when he had concluded, was more enthusiastic.

Victory for Shannon.

The action of the delegates was no little of a personal victory for Mr. Shannon, who has fought steadily for the adoption of the central body plan from the day he suggested it.

"A distinguished writer once said," began Mr. Shannon, "that the minority is always right, and the circumstances of late have led many to believe that he was correct.

"Recall, gentlemen, that less than one-fourteenth of the membership of the Chamber of Commerce voted against sending a delegate to a central organization.

"Do not blame the chamber for refusing to join you, as many now think that the chamber took the position it did because of the opinion so severely brought out last Tuesday night that it was against our constitution. But several lawyers have since expressed their opinion that it is not against our constitution, and if this be true you need not be surprised to see the action reversed. And if it is reversed or not you can rest assured that the Chamber of Commerce will be the best friend that you will have.

Union of Strength Urged.

"But even if the larger organizations do not join you, it is of the utmost importance that you unite your strength now. To do this it may be necessary in some organizations for the members to place men of more energy and foresightedness at their heads, because some men cannot grasp large affairs. They will say it 'cannot be done,' or 'it has been tried before,' and there may be others who fear the loss of prestige, either real or imaginary.

"But if we are a city and not an overgrown village, it is time for all organizations and individuals to put aside petty pride and fears, and work to make the Capital what its founders intended it to be—a great city, great alike in beauty, in health, in educational facilities, in commerce, and in all that goes to make London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, and other cities of the Old World the mecca of students, permanent residents, tourists, and buyers.

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"It is now up to you gentlemen and the citizens of this city to start the development of your power, for in concentration you have great power—and your power should be put to use to accomplish a Washington beautiful in truth."

Capt. James F. Oyster, chairman of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce, aroused the enthusiasm of the delegates in a short address.

Stating that he was not a delegate to the meeting, but that he was deeply interested in the matter being considered, Captain Oyster asked if he would be allowed to be present during the proceedings.

There were assurances of "yes" from every part of the room, and Chairman Clayton informed the chamber's executive committee head that his presence was welcomed.

"I am interested in this movement and in all that you do," said Captain Oyster.

That not a little interest is being taken by the members of the chamber in the movement was indicated by the fact that President William F. Gude, of that organization, was present, as were other members, including Major T. Towson Smith, A. Leftwich Sinclair, and Percival M. Brown.

In addressing the meeting, following his election as chairman, Mr. Clayton put himself on record as favoring the central body working along broad lines in the interest of the District's development. Many of the associations, he said, had trained their members to study the big problems of the District, and not those, exclusively, of the localities represented by the associations.

There were big men in these associations for big work, he declared, and the proposed organization would open a field of endeavor which should yield inestimable profits in the upbuilding of the Capital.

The delegates extended a vote of thanks to Chairman Daniel and the committee of fifteen for the work it had done in preparing the way for the organization of the central body.

Mr. Clayton said that, in his opinion, the appreciation of the delegates should be extended also to the Chamber of Commerce, inasmuch as it was that organization in which such a worthy project had had its inauguration.

It was half an hour after adjournment before the last of the delegates had left the Chamber of Commerce hall.

The various associations' representatives gathered in groups and discussed the action of the meeting. The consensus of opinion was that the proceedings could not have been more harmonious, and that the movement is an assured success.

The committee on organization met immediately after adjournment and elected Mr. McGrath chairman. It was decided to hold the first session of the committee next Friday in the Octagon House.

Chairman Clayton was enthusiastic over the outcome of the meeting.

"It means that the associations have come together at last," he said. "I believe that the benefits to the District, as a result of this, will be almost incalculable, and will increase with time."

Captain Oyster said:

"It was a great meeting, and, in my opinion, presages much good for Washington. I do not see how it could have gone off better."

The probability of the Chamber of Commerce reconsidering its action of Tuesday night and deciding to join the movement was discussed generally after the meeting. The view was expressed by several delegates that the chamber should be allowed to come in on a footing of equal representation if it desires.

Shortly after the meeting commenced, Hugh M. Harvey, a member of the committee of fifteen, was given permission to address the delegates.

Mr. Harvey said he wanted to deny the charge that the liquor interests had anything to do with influencing the chamber's action in turning down the committee's report, as he was in a position to know that they had taken no hand in the matter whatever.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES IN ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

CONGRESS HEIGHTS—L. D. Weeks and Julian A. Marceron.
ANACOSTIA—Charles R. Burr and John F. Earnshaw.
PETWORTH—William A. Cromwell and E. W. Oyster.
PARK VIEW—J. G. McGrath and Dr. A. B. Crain.
NORTHEAST SUBURBAN—L. H. Patterson and E. A. M. Lawson.
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS—J. Bush Marshall and Leon E. Dessez.
BRIGHTWOOD—L. P. Shoemaker and Francis Wilson.
BRIGHTWOOD PARK—William McK. Clayton and F. J. Ayres.
EAST END SUBURBAN—James M. Wood and William Ernst.
CHEVY CHASE—George B. Sudworth.
NORTHWEST SUBURBAN—C. C. Lancaster and L. McComas Hawken.
WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF FINE ARTS—Glenn Brown.
SOUTHEAST WASHINGTON—Allen Davis and Lemuel Fugitt.
RANDLE HIGHLANDS—W. H. Whipple, William H. Darnell, and J. Walter Mitchell.
IVY CITY—J. A. Richardson and T. R. Speller.
CONGRESS HEIGHTS—W. H. Price and E. J. Newcomb.
BENNING—W. H. Richardson and Dr. Elliott Savage.
TAKOMA PARK—James W. Dyer and Dr. F. S. Dunlap.
LANIER HEIGHTS—John B. Henderson.

PREPARING HOME FOR TAFT FAMILY

Bath House to Be Built Near Surf Bathing Beach.

BEVERLY, Mass., April 17.—President Taft's cottage at Burgess Point is being put in condition for the season, and it is expected that the Taft family will arrive here by July 1.

Gardeners are at work laying out two new flower beds, although the flowers for the house are to be supplied from the conservatories of Mrs. R. D. Evans. Painters will go to work on the house tomorrow and a bath house will be erected on the estate with a board walk leading down to the beach, so that the President and the members of his family may take a dip in the surf.

Capt. Archibald Butt, the President's aide, is to occupy a cottage off Ober street, at the cove.

MURDER SETTLES TRIO'S ACCOUNTS

Gambling Debts and Unpaid Board Bills Get So Mixed That Immigrant Is Killed.

GARY, Ind, April 17.—What with card games, unpaid board bills, and other things, the affairs of Dmydriule Ulemek, Michael Rebrich, and Samuel Wojmovich became so involved that Rebrich had to be killed to straighten them out. At least this is the story told the police here by Ulemek, who is under arrest, charged with the murder of Rebrich. Ulemek is a steel worker.

According to his story, Ulemek owed Wojmovich $150 for board. Wojmovich, in turn, owed Rebrich a $40 gambling debt. Ulemek says Wojmovich told him that if he would kill Rebrich he, Wojmovich would "forget" the board bill. The killing occurred a year ago, but Ulemek has just been arrested.

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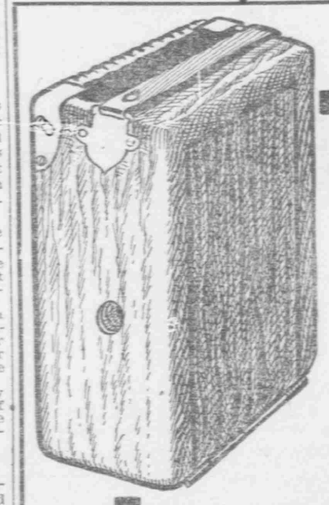

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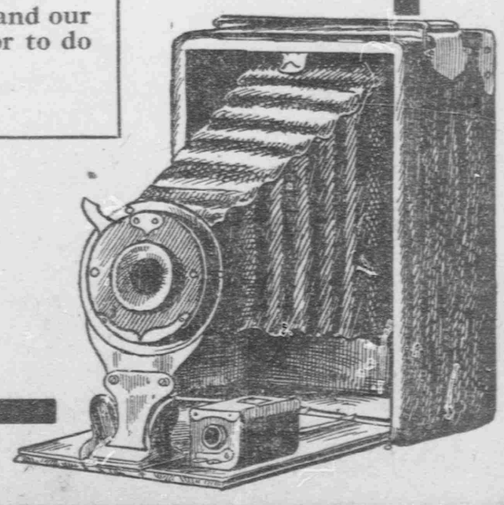

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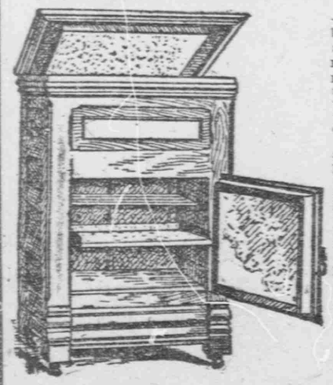

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