

PROPOSE A MERGER OF TRADE BOARDS

Leaders of Organizations Hope to Form Gigantic Body to Boom Capital.

A new movement to merge the Board of Trade and the Chamber of Commerce into one powerful civic and commercial organization is being planned by leaders in the two organizations.

While the plans that are being formulated have not been brought to the attention of the members of the two bodies, the sentiment in favor of the merger along the new line suggested seems to be so overwhelming among the officers and leaders in both bodies, that it is probable the project will be carried through this fall.

President D. J. Callahan, of the Chamber of Commerce, always has favored a merger of the two organizations, and it is said by friends of President Edward H. Droop, of the Board of Trade, who is now in Europe, that he, too, favors the plan.

Agreed To By Chamber. The proposition to merge the two bodies into one was suggested about two years ago, and was agreed to by the Chamber of Commerce.

It was defeated, however, at a full meeting of the Board of Trade. Those interested in the present movement base their hopes for success this fall on the belief that the defeat of the project in the Board of Trade was because the plan at that time was simply to merge, carrying with it no provisions as to the scope of the enlarged organization, and it is stated those who voted against it in the Board of Trade did so because they feared the new organization would be largely commercial and would not devote enough energy to civic matters that have always constituted the chief work of the trade boards.

E. C. Graham, first vice president of the Board of Trade, and acting president in the absence of President Droop is strongly in favor of the merger, and believes that if a plan is put forth which will combine the two organizations in such a way as to carry on both the commercial and civic work, it can be carried through the Board of Trade.

Would Save Much Time. "I believe the business men of the city are tired wasting energy in two organizations, when all the bigger things have to be done by joint committees from the two organizations," said Mr. Graham today.

"Instead of having joint committees to do things, it would be much better to have one organization which would really represent the business and civic life of the city. The new organization ought to have separate branches, one for the civic and the other for the commercial side of the work. The monthly meetings might be made to alternate, one month to be devoted to discussion of civic questions, the other to commercial questions. If necessary, we should have a civic secretary and a commercial secretary."

Change In Sentiment. "I believe if the members of the Board of Trade who opposed the merger before were shown that the civic work is to be carried on more efficiently even than before, and that by combining the organizations a much larger amount of things would be done, they would vote for the merger."

It is probable that the matter will not be officially considered until fall, and when it is brought up strenuous objections would be made by the Board of Trade members who are satisfied with their organization as it is. It is stated that a new proposition to merge will be defeated even more decisively than before. The merger resolution will likely pass in the Chamber of Commerce without serious objection.

TAKING FIRST STEP IN FREIGHT TROUBLE

Baltimore Merchants Are Meeting Today to Map Out Campaign.

The Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association of Baltimore special committee on the freight rate war is meeting today to map out plans for the campaign. When this session is over the committee will telephone over the President Glass, of the Retail Merchants' Association, of this city, as to the time for a conference between the Baltimore and Washington committees. This time probably will be tomorrow.

Officials of the local commercial associations declare that there will be no hitch in the matter of co-operation between the cities on the point of fighting the proposed elimination of free store delivery in the city of Baltimore.

They anticipate that the outline of the fight as made this afternoon in the Baltimore meeting will be satisfactory, and that there will be an immediate agreement for presenting a united front when the expected hearing is given before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Local merchants are doing nothing today until they hear from Baltimore. They anticipate that the Baltimore program before tomorrow and that then all the commercial organizations of the two cities will be in a position to combat the railroad decision to cut out the free delivery.

The basis of the Baltimore contention will be an alleged violation of the interstate commerce act providing that freight rates cannot be raised after a railroad has killed water competition. This is indicated by the petition already filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, in establishing a schedule of rates—minus the free delivery—in violation of the act.

The Baltimoreans have been busy at gathering facts to back up this contention. Warehousemen stand ready to assist in this labor, and moreover, its merchants will have figures to show the Interstate Commerce Commission that the elimination of the delivery system means a loss of fully \$100,000 a year by reason of additional transportation charges.

"Our Mary" Fifty-four.

LONDON, July 29.—Mrs. Antonia de Navarro, still remembered by her stage name, Mary Anderson, celebrated her fifty-fourth birthday.

WORLD NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF

DOMESTIC.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Governor Eberhart and President Douglas, of the Minneapolis A. C., started for Stillwater at 11 a. m. today to meet Edward Patrick, who is now en route to the finish of his hike from New York to Minneapolis.

New York.—The Eastern railroads affected by the demands for increased wages made by trainmen announce the selection of two of the six members of the board to arbitrate the differences. The railroads will be represented by W. W. Atterbury, vice president of the Pennsylvania, and A. H. Smith, senior vice president of the New York Central.

Charleston, W. Va.—R. Graves Hubbard, chairman of the harmony committee appointed by the Charleston Businessmen's Association to bring about a settlement of the coal strike on Cabin creek and Coal river, today said that the strike practically had been settled.

Chicago.—The body of Bernie Hosten, fourteen years old, was found in a clump of bushes in Morgan park. There was a bullet hole in the head. In his pocket was a school certificate giving his name.

Whitefish, Mont.—Great Northern fast mail No. 2, westbound, was wrecked east of Rockhill. Engineer Peck L. Forcum and fireman Carl Smith, both of Whitefish, were killed, and Express Messenger Lamb was injured, but will recover.

Kalamazoo, Mich.—Edward C. Hibbard, a retired merchant of Palmyra, N. Y., and Mrs. Nellie L. Hibbard, of this city, who were divorced more than twenty years ago, were married here.

Barnesville, Ohio.—Estelle Van Fason, aged twelve, and Thelma Rouch, were drowned in the reservoir of the Watt Mining Car Company, this city.

Canton, Ohio.—Carlton Truman, of Cleveland, was drowned in Congress lake, near here, and his fiancée, Miss Helen Tilden, of Canton, also lost her life in a vain effort to save him.

Spring Lake, N. J.—Thomas C. O'Sullivan, a judge of the court of general sessions in New York city, is dead at his summer home here. Judge O'Sullivan in 1908 was made a knight of St. Gregory by the Pope in recognition of his religious and charitable work.

Harmon, N. Y.—Mrs. Edward Sommers saved the life of her husband, who is unable to swim, when their canoe tipped over in the Croton river.

Winsted, Conn.—William Thurston unhitched his horse while he was fishing in Wood Creek, and returning several hours later, found a cow had eaten the harness.

Clifton, N. Y.—Trapped on the third floor of their burning home, Mrs. Mary Banjulia and her two little children were saved by Leonard Belien, volunteer fireman.

Newark, N. J.—While on the way home with medicine for his sick wife, Lewis Gahr fell dead from heat and heart failure.

Newport, R. I.—Suits aggregating \$22,000 have been brought against Mrs. John R. Prexel, as a result of an automobile accident here last summer.

Spring City, Pa.—John Jacobs, an attendant at the State institution for epileptics and feeble-minded, was held in \$1,000 bail, charged with clubbing two inmates.

Albany.—It was announced that in all likelihood the Frawley investigation committee would begin its investigation of the Sulzer campaign fund before the end of this week.

Chicago.—William Jennings, cousin of Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, was appointed a member of the State board of pardons, displacing Ethan Allen Selye.

Chicago.—Bull Moose II, a fifteen-foot hydroaeroplane, driven by Frank J. Gregory, of New York, and entering in the Perry centennial race events here, struck a submerged log in the river and sank. Gregory and his mechanic were rescued.

Tamaqua, Pa.—Walter Wyde, forty-four years old, employed as a machinist repairman at a colliery, plunged 250 feet down a shaft and was killed, his body being frightfully mangled.

Boston.—A rear-end collision of open trolley cars in front of the South Station seriously injured five persons.

Watertown, N. Y.—Daniel R. W. Cahill, seventeen years old, was

drowned while his father, former State Superintendent of Public Buildings Daniel W. Cahill, was teaching him to swim.

Galveston.—The center of the grandstand at the Galveston Beach automobile race course collapsed just before racing began. Several persons were hurt.

Denver.—John F. McMichael was drowned when his automobile plunged into Bear Creek. Miss Gertrude Yeager and Miss Marie Little, of New York, escaped injury.

Bloomington, Ill.—Earl B. Hiddle, aged forty-three, former postmaster of Leroy, Ill., committed suicide. He was despondent over loss of his postmastership.

Wheeler Springs, W. Va.—S. E. G. Rhodes, member of the lower branch of the West Virginia legislature, accused of accepting a bribe in the recent contest for United States Senator, was found guilty.

Atlantic City.—Swept into shallow waters by a storm, a 1,300-pound fishing mackerel was captured by the fishing smack Nettie R. It is the largest ever caught in this vicinity.

Paterson, N. J.—When the mudguard of a motor truck on which he was riding gave way, James Murray was plunged beneath a rear wheel. He died on the way to the hospital.

Yonkers, N. Y.—John Hoblock, of Peekskill, died shortly after taking a bath in mistake for a malaria cure.

Paterson, N. J.—Police are guarding the home of Antonio Di Napoli, released from the Passaic county jail. He killed Vincenzo Mendone in self-defense during the I. W. W. riots. The I. W. W. has threatened him.

Red Bank, N. J.—Mrs. Stella Bennett was handed a warrant while shopping charging her with having stolen \$1,000 in furniture from the James Crawford House, Middletown.

See Girl, N. J.—The body of an unidentified man who had evidently been shot to death and robbed was found near Governor Fielder's summer home here today.

FOREIGN.

Brussels.—A gold ingot valued at \$20,000 was stolen from the Ghent exhibition. There is no clue to the robbers.

Rumsey, Alberta.—George Robinson, his wife, and two children were found shot to death in their farm house near here.

London.—The Pall Mall Gazette declares that Canada is to be the next British dominion which will be visited by King George and Queen Mary, and that it may be taken for granted they will also visit the United States.

Paris.—A forgery of shares of the Paris Electricity Company amounting to \$250,000 has been discovered and six arrests made.

St. Johns, Newfoundland.—The steamer Diana, with Donald MacMillan's Arctic expedition aboard, which went ashore in Belle Isle strait two weeks ago, has arrived here badly damaged.

Budapest, Hungary.—A case of cholera has developed at Temes-Ezter, Hungary, near the Serbian frontier.

Lima, Peru.—A new cabinet to succeed that of Dr. Aurelio Souza, which resigned last week, was formed with Gen. Enrique Varela as president of the council and minister of war.

Senator Lewis to Seek Official Fathers' Day

Senator J. Ham Lewis has taken compassion on the fathers of the country. He has a kind heart located below and a little to the left of those of the whippers, and he thinks the "old man" who has so long been neglected, is entitled to some consideration from the hands of Congress.

Senator Lewis purposes to introduce a bill to recognize July 29 as Father's Day. Already, there is Mother's Day and Children's Day, and why not do something for the other members of the family.

Not only does Senator Lewis intend to introduce a bill, but he is threatening to back it up with a speech and possibly write a poem.

Town to Be Sold.

SUNBURY, Pa., July 18.—Paxinos, a town of 200 inhabitants, is to be sold at auction. James Miffin, who owns all but two houses, is the bankrupt.

DEMOCRATIC ROWS WILL BE PRIVATE

House Committee Sworn to Secrecy in Regard to Currency Bill.

Operating under a pledge of secrecy, the wrangling Democrats of the House Committee on Banking and Currency resumed work today on the Administration currency bill with the promise that the measure, complete or incomplete, will go to the party caucus on August 11.

The majority members of the committee yesterday adopted a resolution to send the bill to caucus on that date. By a majority of one, the Democrats also declared for star chamber proceedings hereafter. The Democrats, embarrassed by the published accounts of the continual bickering in their conference, decided it was none of the public's business how they wrangled, and they entered a compact not to talk of such little family disagreements as near-dissensions.

The motion for secrecy is said to have been adopted only after Chairman Glass had cast his vote breaking the tie. The members of the majority say today they are "bound" not to divulge what transpires behind the locked doors of the committee room.

Criticism Is Expected.

Minority members of the committee are expected to renew their attacks upon the star chamber proceedings of this character. Seldom has any House committee deemed it necessary to adopt a resolution closing the mouths of its members, but it is also true that seldom have the members of any committee had so many disagreements as have arisen in the Currency Committee.

Cognizant of the constant bickering among the Democrats of the Banking and Currency Committee, and the consequent slow progress upon a supposedly "perfected" currency bill, President Wilson is understood to be in sympathy with the resolutions adopted yesterday afternoon. These resolutions assure a report of the bill to caucus on August 11 and also a "gas" upon its framers.

The submission of the bill to a caucus means partisan currency reform—a result which several House leaders have fought heretofore.

It was recently pointed out that the conservatives, so called, of the Banking and Currency Committee felt that better progress might be made with the currency bill were it not for the President's conferences with the insurgent members, which it was claimed, drew direct attention to the activities of recall-traitors. The President, evidently, took the hint for a conference planned with Mr. Ragsdale yesterday was canceled, and it is thought Mr. Wilson hereafter will consult the Administration supporters on the committee rather than the insurgents.

Cordial Support Missing.

The final decision of the Democrats of the House committee to send the currency bill to a party caucus justifies the published statements that the measure has not received the cordial support expected by the White House. The party caucus on currency probably will be the liveliest in the history of the party since it assumed control in the House. The action of the majority of the Banking and Currency Committee today also will alienate the minority members of the committee who have hoped up to this time for a non-partisan consideration of the important subject of currency reform.

The fate of the Administration bill is problematical, for it is practically assured that it cannot be reported with the unanimous backing of the Democrats of the committee. Congressman Eagle of Texas is already at work on a minority report.

Congressman Underwood, majority leader, is reported to have informed Chairman Glass and his colleagues that if no more than four members of the committee sign a minority report the caucus may bind the party to the Administration bill. If a greater number of recall-traitors refuse to sign a majority report, the result is in doubt.

Mr. Underwood has been consistent in his opposition to currency legislation at this session. He has agreed, however, to aid the President in putting a bill through, since the White House is insistent that currency reform should accompany tariff revision.

Killed by Lightning.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., July 29.—Peter Butler, employed on a farm at Vincentown, was killed by a bolt of lightning. Neighbors saved the home of Joseph Cross when a bolt of lightning struck the house and ignited the gas.

Board of Trade Plans To Entertain Visitors

President Edward H. Droop, E. C. Graham, Samuel J. Prescott, John L. Weaver, W. H. Singleton, E. O. Whitford, and William J. Eyrton constitute the committee from the Board of Trade which will assist in the entertainment of the International Refrigeration Congress which will meet in this city during the week of September 14.

The opening session of the congress in the only one that will be held here. The remaining sessions will be held in Chicago, where the greatest display of storage and refrigeration appliances ever made will be held. The delegates will include a number of prominent

Columbia Commandery To Attend Convention

More than a hundred knights, their wives and friends, will attend the thirty-second triennial convocation of the Knights Templar in Denver the week of August 11.

The drill team of the local Columbia Commandery will compete in the prize drills to be a feature of the convocation. Exhibition drills will be given in many cities on the trip West.

Automobile Stolen; Another One Found

Search is being made by the police today for an automobile belonging to the Vermont Garage, which was stolen from in front of 212 M street northwest last night. The machine is a Buick two-passenger runabout.

An automobile belonging to John F. Conrad, of the Forting, which was stolen last night from Fourteenth and Swan streets northwest, was found abandoned this morning near Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The car had not been damaged.

Bathing Costume Worse Than Cabaret—Harrison

CHICAGO, July 29.—Mayor Harrison has attacked the public bathing costumes worn by women at the public bathing beaches.

The mayor's attention was called to the picture by a newspaper showing a woman who had taken off her bathing skirt after she had gone into the water.



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