

LABOR UNION HEAD GREETS MEMBERS OF BIG CONVENTION Philadelphia, by Reason of Its History, a Fitting Place for Assembly of Federation.

By GEORGE H. ULRICH President, Central Labor Union of Philadelphia. There could be no more fitting place for the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor to hold its annual convention than in this particular city, because it was in this city that the American Federation of Labor, under that title, was first permanently started. It is true that in the early 40s the various craft unions were having disputes with the Knights of Labor, principally on the question of trade autonomy, and that they formed a loose federation known as the Federation of Organized Trades and Labor Unions, but it was not until after the convention of that body in Philadelphia on May 17, 1886, which made certain demands on the Knights of Labor, that the American Federation of Labor was permanently and solidly organized in the shape in which it now is. Once since then the city of Philadelphia has had the pleasure of entertaining a convention of the American Federation of Labor. That was in 1902, when the delegates, much fewer in numbers than they now are, assembled in Independence Hall.

Philadelphia is a great industrial center and has initiated many great and large movements. The American Federation of Labor is no exception in this city. It was in this city that U. S. Stephens, a tailor working at the trade, sitting in Fairmount Park, talking with his fellow workers, organized the Knights of Labor. Although that organization, as history has shown, was laid down on impractical lines, in that it sought to make many divergent unions and interests join into one single organization, still there is no doubt that it played its part in the development of the American labor movement, and now, in its place, stands the more practical organization, the American Federation of Labor, which is a federation of independent trades alive to the development of industry, ready to adapt itself to changing and changed conditions and ready, when necessary, to form practical industrial groups of various trades. Philadelphia has had a great labor center. It has had great labor leaders. It has had labor leaders who, though sometimes mistaken in their views, have honestly worked for the advancement of their cause. J. M. Brown, secretary of the International Brotherhood of Carpenters Union, the father of Labor Day, which was first celebrated in 1882, had his headquarters in this city for many years. George Chance, the printer, the volunteer worker who was largely instrumental in forming the international copyright law, which is at present on the statute books, came from this city. This is a large city, both in population and in area, and a great many of the delegates from the country districts may be lost in wandering around. I, therefore, suggest that they make a note of various labor centers in this city where they will receive such help as may be applicable to their individual wants. The Building Trades may be found at 232 North Ninth street, where they occupy a building formerly the home of the Philadelphia Elks. The German trades may be found at two places, as follows, at the Labor Lyceum, 13th and Brown streets, which, by the way, was formerly a Jewish synagogue, and at the Southwark Labor Lyceum, 13th and Tasker streets. The metal trades are in the Parkway Building, at Broad and Cherry streets. The textile workers are at the Light-house, Lehigh avenue and Howard street. I wish the American Federation of Labor a pleasant time here, and the trade unionists of Philadelphia will do their best to see that the delegates have a pleasant time. I also hope that, as a result of its deliberations, the convention will still further advance the cause of labor under the banner of the American Federation of Labor.

TAYLOR INVOKES JOINT CONFIDENCE

Continued from Page One. At hand when cowardly public officials will not be permitted by the thinking public to be led by blackmailers and demagogues into imposing unreasonable and onerous terms and conditions upon corporations and vested interests; they will no longer be able to make political capital by pursuing any such course in an enlightened community.

"The people of Philadelphia will be fair with corporations and with capital, but they will demand the same fairness from corporations and capital in return. Only those who fail to heed this public demand need fear the inevitable disaster which the fire of increased public opinion, focused on them from every angle, is sure to bring about."

INVESTORS PROTECTED. Director Taylor, referring to the existing transit company in Philadelphia, assured his audience that there was full recognition of the vital importance of giving genuine protection to investors' capital in this city to the extent that it shall produce an attractive return for reasonable service.

PHILADELPHIA'S PROBLEM. In outlining the problem peculiar to Philadelphia in transit development and the general plan that has been advanced for its solution, Director Taylor said: "Large cities of the United States are constantly outgrowing the capacity of existing facilities for public service. Among these facilities, which are particularly essential to a city's development are water mains, sewers and transportation lines. They may be likened to the arterial system of the human body. When they become inadequate and choke the circulation which they are designed to carry, or when they fail to expand as the body grows and to meet its increasing requirements, the various sections involved must wither and the body as a whole must suffer."

NEED OF RAPID TRANSIT. "Philadelphia, in common with other large cities, has outgrown her present urban transportation system and is proceeding to establish such additional facilities as are required to furnish adequate service to the people."

"Philadelphia has always been a city of individual homes spread over a comparatively large area. We are now confronted with the necessity of providing rapid transit facilities to eliminate existing congestion of traffic and the increasing distances between available residential areas and places of employment. The inevitable alternative would be to crowd the future increased population into flats and tenements in the areas already built up. Such conditions are beyond the pale of consideration. Standing squarely by the ancient adage, 'Look before you leap,' the city undertook two years ago to make a practical, scientific and complete study of what is needed, and of ways and means of accomplishment."

"The results of this study were embodied in the report of the Transit Commission in 1912, and were crystallized in the recommendations for the immediate construction of 25 miles of high-speed lines by the city, to be equipped and operated preferably by the existing company, which controls practically all of the street railways in this city. "Negotiations were then undertaken with the management of the existing company."

MOTHERS HEAR ATLANTIC CITY HOMES PRAISED

Superintendent of Education Scores Critics of Resort at Opening of Women's Congress. ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 12.—With 500 women, constituting an smart assembly as Atlantic City has seen in many a day, applauding, Charles B. Boyer, City Superintendent of Education, assured the Mothers' Congress of New Jersey at its opening session today that Atlantic City had been ruthlessly slandered before the women of the country.

PLEADS FOR CONVICTS. Mrs. Frederick Schott, president of the congress, speaking upon child culture after delivering formal greetings from the national body, said the jails of the country were filled with boys who never had a fair chance in the home. "Don't think you are doing everything in your power for the boy when you give him luxury and loafing," she said. "Give him more than that—give him an idea of life."

PIKE ASKS \$1,817,346 Chief of Electrical Bureau Submits Budget. A budget submitted to Councils by Chief Pike, of the Electrical Bureau, declares \$1,817,346.50 will be needed to maintain his branch of the city government during 1915.

STATE COLLEGE MAN ELECTED John Hamilton Made Secretary of Agricultural College Board. WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—With the election of officers, the 15th annual convention of the Association of Agricultural Colleges came to an end today. The election resulted in the naming of E. A. Bryan, of Washington State College, president, and C. A. Lory, of Colorado, secretary treasurer.

Marines Sail From Haiti WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels today announced the departure of the transport ship, the USS Albatross, which will carry a detachment of 100 marines recently landed in Haiti to preserve order and had been withdrawn and was now aboard the transport Hancock, a route to Guantanamo, where they will engage in drill practice.

OPTION OBTAINED ON SECOND VESSEL

Continued from Page One. abroad, will see that the precious cargo is safely delivered. The first contribution this morning came from an 11-year-old girl, Eleanor B. Lenz, of Wilmington, Del. She sent \$1 in an envelope addressed in a childish hand to the Thanksgiving ship.

1,000,000 BRITISH WILL BE ADDED TO ARMY IN FRANCE Fighting Force of 2,186,400 Authorized by New Government Plan to Combat German Reinforcements. LONDON, Nov. 12. It was officially announced in Parliament today that the British Government will call for 1,000,000 more men to fight the Germans. This number is in excess of the number of men already voted for 1914 and 1915. It does not affect the territorial force.

PRESIDENT GOMPERS' SPEECH CALLED BEST OF HIS CAREER

Radicals Astonished by Its Militancy and Conservatives by Its Portentous Significance—Women Delegates in Foreground. When President Samuel Gompers delivered his address yesterday in reply to the addresses of the fraternal delegates to the convention the radicals were astonished by its militancy, the conservatives were aroused with its portentous significance and the entire convention was aroused with enthusiasm.

WOMAN SHOT, BABY KILLED BY HER BROTHER-IN-LAW Murderer Then Ends His Own Life. Tired of Hearing Word "Boss." GREENSBURG, Pa., Nov. 12.—Mrs. Mary Dominick, 24 years old, was shot and fatally injured, and her 2½-year-old son, Alphonse, was killed while asleep, by Pedro Dominick, brother of the woman's husband. The assailant committed suicide. The tragedy occurred at Cross Creek, a mile and a half from Greensburg. The tragedy was enacted a few minutes after the woman's husband, Alphonse Dominick, had started for work at the plant of the Keystone Coal and Coke Company.

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LABOR BANK ADVOCATED BY UNION IRONWORKERS (Continued). According to Joseph E. McClory, president of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, many banks where the money of unions are deposited loan out these funds to employers who are antagonistic to labor, who use these funds against the interests of organized labor.

LABOR BANK ADVOCATED BY UNION IRONWORKERS (Continued). Mr. McClory said today if a trade union bank were established and all the unions deposited their funds in the institution the bank would start with a capital of about \$15,000,000.

LABOR BANK ADVOCATED BY UNION IRONWORKERS (Continued). Delegates who will push the proposition before the convention are of the opinion a trade union bank would not only be an instrument in the hands of organized labor against unfair employers, but that it would have a more constructive purpose of making labor financially independent. It is the belief of the sponsors of the idea that the convention will accept it and that the United States will soon see a new institution, a trade union bank.

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