

HARMONY, TRIGG'S IDEA FOR CHAMBER

New President of Commerce Board Hopes to Unify All Efforts FOR PORT UPBUILDING

Harmony will be the plan of Ernest T. Trigg, new president of the Chamber of Commerce, for making that body an active influence for progress in Philadelphia. And to the consummation of his plan to make the Chamber of Commerce the "greatest little listener" of the Chamber of Commerce has ever possessed. He said as much this morning when asked just exactly what he contemplated during his term. Mr. Trigg is young for such a job. He is thirty-nine.

"I have not yet had time," he said, "to familiarize myself with many of the problems. But I will say that it would be a fine thing to have all the business organizations working together. I want to see all the organizations, the Chamber of Commerce, the Business Men's Association and the Walnut Street Association and other kindred bodies all presenting a solid phalanx and putting their shoulders together to the wheel."

"I think," he continued with evident sincerity, "that by means like this we can make the influence of the Chamber felt stronger in the city and make it known as a force not only in the State, but in the nation. We have to have harmony, and in that end I want the business men's associations and others to come to us with their problems. I will see that they are taken care of and will not be pigeonholed."

"While I do not care as yet to commit myself to any name, I might say that the development of the port will be backed by the Chamber of Commerce. I want to see the port of Philadelphia put back in the foremost position it once held."

Mr. Trigg paused for a moment before emphasizing his next point. "It is necessary," he said, "to have co-operation between the newspapers and the Chamber. We need their aid in extending our influence."

Mr. Trigg's aims are primarily to have the Chamber of Commerce take up a few big projects at a time and see that they are pushed through, instead of scattering the efforts of the body over a wide field and accomplishing little.

When the movement was launched to reorganize the local Chamber of Commerce two years ago, Mr. Trigg was most active among those officers of the Chamber and Manufacturers' Association who sought to enroll all the members of their association in the reorganized chamber. He was elected a director of the Chamber of Commerce in 1915 and a few months later President Charles J. Cohen appointed him to the executive committee. He was elected to a four-year term on the board of directors last January and was reappointed to the executive committee by President Howard B. French.

Last year he was elected chairman of the new members' council of the Chamber, and his administration of the office served to enlist the interest of many members in the work of the trade body. The monthly meetings of the members' council generally result in beneficial discussions of matters of public interest.

EXPLAINS WHY PRAYER IS ANSWERED SLOWLY

S. D. Gordon Tells Garrick Theatre Audience God Waits Until Time Is Full

S. D. Gordon continued his "Quiet Hour Talks" at the Garrick Theatre. His topic was, "Why It Takes So Long for Prayer to Change Things." Mr. Gordon said in part:

"There's a waiting time sometimes between the first prayer and the answer. But there's always a purpose in it."

"There's a reason for everything God does or doesn't do or waits in doing. And it's always a reason of tender love. We are thinking about the thing we're asking. So is the Father. But He's thinking about us, too. And He cares most about us though He never forgets the thing. He thinks of the thing because we want it."

"In the long ago there was a woman named Hannah. She had no son. Naturally, she longed for a son. For, being a Hebrew woman, she was taught that her son might be her nation's deliverer."

"She prayed for a son. That was all she thought of—a son in her arms and then growing up."

"But God wanted and she needed something more—a leader of the nation. There were no leaders. Worse yet, there were no men to make leaders out of."

"Worse yet, there were no women through whom might come men that might be trained for leadership."

"That's the worst level a nation ever reaches, when its women fail. It's the highest that fall lowest. This woman had in her the making of the woman through whom might come the man that God needed. But she must be changed before she could be used. Most people do. Or, shall I put it that 'most' we all need change."

"And so the waiting time came. It may have been years. But out of it came a new woman, with clear, broad vision; with a tender heart, with a will strong enough to lead."

"Then the man came. Her son was born; no, farther back yet, he was conceived in a wholly different personal atmosphere. He was made the great man, came to be by the spirit of the woman bringing him."

"The waiting time gave Hannah all she longed for and immensely more. It gave the nation a leader and saved the plan for a world."

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SCENE OF NEXT FRENCH DRIVE



According to circumstantial reports, the heads of the French armies are now concentrating their men and energies for a tremendous drive against the German lines in Alsace and Lorraine to open as soon as favorable weather sets in. The French are making preparations behind their front virtually all the way from Verdun to the Swiss border. To aid the French in carrying out these plans the British recently took over a further section of the French line extending from the River Somme to a point not named, but believed to be Soissons. The British previously held the sector extending only from Ypres to the Somme—about 100 miles long. The readjustment will give them between 150 and 200 miles of front to hold. Meantime, Switzerland is much disturbed by rumors of fear of a German attempt to outflank the French by swinging around the French right wing in southern Alsace through Swiss territory.

TEUTON ALLIES RESUME DRIVE TOWARD RUSSIA

Bulgarian Troops Force Crossing of Danube at Mouth of River

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—The German allies are again driving forward toward Russia on the northern boundary of the Rumanian province of Dobruja.

The War Office announced today that Bulgarian troops have forced a crossing of the southernmost arm of the Danube (St. George's arm), at a point near the mouth of the river and held the northern bank against counter-attacks.

In the Carpathians artillery activity is increasing as a result of clearing water. Between the Silesia and Polesia valleys, in Moldavia, the Rumanian forces were forced back and the Austro-Germans captured 100 prisoners.

There is nothing important to report from the Macedonian front, the War Office announced.

Along the Isonzo river and northeast of Lussk, in Volhynia, the artillery firing is increasing in violence, the War Office reported.

West of Tikhon a Russian rifle division which had entered a German first-line trench at dawn was driven out.

CZAR'S STAND HALLED AS AVERTING CRISIS

PETROGRAD, Jan. 22.—A profound impression has been made here by the recital addressed by Emperor Nicholas to the Russian Premier, Prince Goltzine, calling upon him, among other things, to see that the Government devotes its first attention to the question of supplies for the armies of Russia. The recital was regarded as a clear presentation of the problems which have oppressed the nation for the last six months, as well as an exhortation to more prompt and energetic action in meeting them. The cause, promising a more benevolent attitude on the part of the Government towards the legislative chambers, has received with particular elation and has dissipated the gloom which prevailed after the recent postponement of the sessions of the Duma and Imperial Council.

Scores Die in Munition Blast

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Sixty-nine persons were killed, seventy-two seriously injured and 228 slightly hurt in the explosion of a munitions plant here last Friday, according to official figures issued today. This it was said, is believed to be a complete list of casualties.

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ROMA, 22 Gennaio.—Il Ministero della Guerra pubblica ieri sera il seguente rapporto del generale Cadorna circa la situazione alla fronte Italo-austriaca.

L'attività dell'artiglieria nemica è stata limitata su quasi tutta la fronte di battaglia.

Le nostre batterie hanno battuto come al solito le linee di comunicazione austriache.

Sulla fronte del Carso alcuni reparti austriaci in ricognizione sono stati attaccati e dispersi dalle nostre artiglierie o dalle nostre batterie.

Un gruppo di banche italiane con a capo la Banca d'Italia hanno costituito un sindacato che ha assunto un prestito alla Russia per la somma di 250,000,000 di lire italiane, ossia 50 milioni di dollari. Questa somma però non andrà in Russia ma rimarrà in Italia e servirà a pagare i nostri interessi ed a comprare materiale di guerra concesso dalla Russia in Italia. Molto di questo materiale è costituito da aeroplani e medicinali.

Telegrammi da Zurigo dicono che la motivazione della sentenza contro il leader ceco Dr. Kramarz, che con i suoi compagni fu condannato a 4 anni di lavori forzati a vita, contiene frasi che denunciano il desiderio di una pace senza vittorie e l'intensità dei sentimenti ostili all'Austria e al suo popolo per la Russia. La motivazione dice:

"Noi siamo convinti che l'agitazione iniziata dal Dr. Kramarz e dai suoi amici contro il governo austriaco, che ha salvato il popolo ceco che hanno costituito in serio ostacolo alla favorevole conclusione della guerra. Essi sono stati responsabili del disordine provocato dalle truppe cecche in diverse città dell'Austria, come sono responsabili della cosa in massa delle truppe cecche alle forze russe. In breve, Kramarz ed i suoi amici sono responsabili di varie manifestazioni di parte della popolazione ceca, che hanno minato la disciplina militare ed hanno giovato alla Russia, fatto danno all'Austria."

Bisogna notare che questa è la prima volta che in Austria si è avvertito ufficialmente che si sono avute manifestazioni nazionalistiche cecche, che si era ufficialmente negato prima.

E' giunta notizia che due grossi sottomarini inglesi hanno lasciato il porto di Halifax per raggiungere la squadra inglese che è in caccia alla caccia delle navi corsare tedesche nell'Atlantico meridionale. Sono sottomarini di 200 piedi di lunghezza ed armati di tre cannoni oltre ai tubi per il lancio di siluri. Oltre a questi, fanno parte della squadra cinque incrociatori leggeri tipo Arethusa, che hanno una velocità di 29 a 35 miglia all'ora.

Dieci squadre fanno parte anche due incrociatori italiani che hanno una velocità di 25 miglia all'ora e quattro navi da guerra francesi.

Si dice che la nave corsara tedesca, che si diceva fosse stata affondata da Glasgow, è stata avvistata al largo della costa argentina all'altezza di Bahia Blanca.

BOY OF 10 IN HIGH SCHOOL

Jacob H. Geat Probably Youngest Pupil in Southern

Probably the youngest boy to matriculate in the high school of Philadelphia is Jacob H. Geat, ten years old, of 1640 South Seventh street. He will enter the Southern High School at the end of January from the Bingham-Grove Grammar School, Seventh and Dickinson streets.

Jacob will have the distinction of being the youngest high school student in the city, and if he makes the same progress that he made in grammar school he will be graduated before he is fifteen years old. That is the age when most children enter high school.

The boy does not spend much time on his lessons. He would rather be out playing with other boys, according to his mother. Her cousin, Jacob began the study of the violin and is a proficient player.

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BRITISH LABOR WILL BOOST PEACE IDEA

Criticism of Government Likely at Conference Which Opens Today

MANCHESTER, ENG., Jan. 22.—Peace discussions, punctuated with brilliant criticism of the Government, are expected to mark the sessions of the labor conference which opens here today.

Since the meeting was first proposed more than a month ago, a big impetus has been given to the peace movement, which is enlarging the pacifists among the labor leaders to bolder declarations.

About a dozen resolutions bearing upon peace have been brought here for submission by various local unions affiliated with the labor party, including one on the nationalization of all mines and railways (Government ownership) and an eight-hour day.

Certain labor leaders of the pacifist faction gave notice that they would have some warm things to say about Arthur Henderson, secretary of the Labor party, and his colleagues who entered the Lloyd George war cabinet.

Among these are Ramsey MacDonald and Philip Snowden, both members of Parliament and both favored pacifists.

Two other questions loomed large, one was the relation between capital and labor and the other was the economic situation after the war. Some of the radicals declare that labor already has been hoodwinked by capital and that this situation must be remedied.

The labor party demands the following post-war program by the Government:

- Restoration of civil and industrial liberty by the repeal of the military service and other reactionary measures; full restoration of trade union rules suspended during the war; an equal share for workmen and employers in control of the industries; work at standard wages for every unemployed munition laborer, soldier or sailor; nationalization of all mines and railways (Government ownership) and an eight-hour day.

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